

The 22nd Wakayama Jazz Marathon

Applications are open!

Inquiries: Sports Promotion Division: ☎ 435-1364

Event Date: Nov 10, 2024

Registration: Online or at Lawson's in-store terminals (Loppi) by Sep 2 (Mon)

※Applicant guidebook available on the first floor of city hall, gymnasiums, etc.

Categories: Half Marathon; 10 km; 5 km; 3 km; 2 km jogging (wheelchair participants can join 2km course, please inquire with the Sports Promotion Division)

More details on the city website and applicant guidebook (ID: 1004393) →



Guest Runner Takaya Mitsuya



Volunteers needed for event day. For details, visit the city's website.

FY2024 Rising Prices Subsidy

Division in Charge: Elderly and Community Welfare Division

Inquiries: Secretariat for Rising Price Subsidies ☎ 0120-969-861, ☎ 499-5184 (from 9-17 excl. weekends and holidays)

	① Households that are newly exempted from resident tax in FY2024 / are only levied resident tax on a per capita basis	② Additional amount for children
Amount	¥ 100,000/household	¥ 50,000/child
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Households newly exempted from resident tax in FY2024 Households newly subject to resident tax levied only on a per capital basis in FY2024 (prior to fixed amount tax reduction) <p>*Excluding households that consist solely of people who are charged resident tax on a per capital basis.</p>	Eligible houses as stated in section ①, with dependent children under the age of 18. *until March 31st following the child's 18 th birthday.
Application Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Households receiving confirmation letters in July: Review, complete, and return the letter. Households that believe they are eligible but did not receive a letter: Contact the grant office and submit the application form with necessary documents. 	
Important Notes	You may be eligible to apply under the following circumstances. Please contact the office for more details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A member of your household moved into Wakayama City on or after Jan 2, 2023. Your household includes members who have not yet filed their resident tax. 	
Base Date	Those who are registered residents of Wakayama City as of June 3, 2024	
Disbursement	After approval of submitted application.	
Application Deadline	October 31, 2024	

Please note that individuals who were eligible for the FY2023 Rising Prices Subsidy for electricity, gas, and food (¥ 70,000) or the 2023 Rising Prices Subsidy (¥ 100,000) are not eligible for this grant.

National Pension Premium Exemption and Deferment

If you continue to miss pension payments, you may be unable to receive pension in your old age, and unable to receive basic pensions for disabilities or surviving families in the case of an emergency. If you face difficulty paying premiums, you may apply for exemption or deferment. **FY2024 Exemption Period:** Applications accepted from July 1. Retroactive applications up to two years and one month prior are possible. No reapplication needed for those with ongoing exemption or deferment approval

Prenatal and Postnatal National Pension Premium Exemption

Eligibility: Category 1 insured individuals who gave birth after February 1, 2019.
Exemption Period: Applies up to four months after the month preceding the expected delivery date. For multiple gestation, exemption applies three months before the month preceding the expected delivery date; and lasts for a total of 6 months.
Inquiries: National Health Insurance and Pension Division ☎ 435-1055 Wakayama East Pension Office: ☎ 474-1841

Job Fair for Welfare, Nursing, and Childcare

Date: Jul 6, 1 PM - 4 PM
Location: Wakayama Big Ai
Details: Meet face-to-face (or online) with recruiters from various companies
Application: Must pre-register online a day before the event
Contact: Fukushi Jinzai Center, Hato Work: ☎ 435-5211

Tips to Prevent Heatstroke



Understanding and preventing heatstroke is crucial. Stay safe and cool this summer! For more details, visit the city's official website.

Indoors

- Use fans and air conditioning to adjust the temperature regularly and stay comfortable.
- Use blackout curtains, bamboo screens, or sprinkle water outside to cool down your surroundings.



Outdoors

- On sunny days, take frequent breaks in shaded areas.
- Wear hats and use umbrellas to shield yourself from the sun.



Cool Down Your Body

- Use ice packs, cold towels, or ice cubes to lower your body temperature.
- Opt for moisture-wicking and quick-drying fabrics to stay cool.



Even if you don't feel thirsty, drink water regularly both indoors and outdoors!

Elderly individuals, children, and those with disabilities are more susceptible to heatstroke. Ensure they are well-protected and hydrated.

Take a Break at Cooling Shelters

The city has established "Cooling Shelters" at various locations, including the City Hall, branch offices, community centers, and health centers. If you feel unwell due to the heat while out, don't hesitate to use these shelters.



More details on the City Website

Inquiries:
General Planning Division ☎ 488-5109

Remember to pay tax premiums!

Payments Due: July 31 (Wednesday) Advanced Elderly Medical Insurance premium (Period 1)

Insurance General Affairs Division: ☎ 435-1062

National Health Insurance premium (Period 2)

National Health Insurance and Pension Division: ☎ 435-1214

Nursing Care Insurance (Period 2)

Nursing Care Insurance Division ☎ 435-1334

Property tax and city planning tax (Period 2)

Tax Revenue Division: ☎ 435-1038

Ensure timely payments to avoid penalties. Consider using bank account transfers for payments. Apply at financial institutions or online (select institutions only).

Be Prepared for Disasters! Contact: Community Safety Division: ☎ 435-1005

①Free Installation of Furniture Anchoring Hardware ②Free Rental of Disaster Radios ③Subsidy for Purchase and Installation of Earthquake Breakers (up to ¥10,000)

Eligibility for ①, ② & ③: Households registered in Wakayama City's basic resident register with members aged 65 or older; Households with members holding specific certificates such as: nursing care insurance certification (level 3-5); physical disability certificate (grade 1 or 2); rehabilitation certificate (A1 or A2); mental disability certificate; specific medical expenses (designated incurable disease) beneficiary certificate; or the pediatric chronic specific disease medical certificate **Application**

Deadlines: (①&③) January 31, 2025, or until capacity is reached; (②) December 27, 2024, provided on a first-come, first-serve basis, one per household. Availability may be limited based on reception conditions of FM Wakayama (87.7 MHz). **How to Apply:** Apply in person, by mail, or online. For more details, contact the Regional Safety Division or check the city's website.

(To foreign residents)

Let's Dance “Bundara Bushi”

at Wakayama City's Kishu Dance Festival!

Every year, Wakayama City holds the "Bundara Bushi" Kishu Dance festival. Enjoy a splendid summer night by taking part in this traditional dance festival! All foreign residents are welcome to join!

- Date and Time: Aug 3, 2024 (Sat), 6:00 p.m.
- Meeting Place: Wakayama History Center, Meeting Room 3 (3 Ichibancho, Wakayama City).
- Participation Fee: Free
- Application: Apply by July 31 online via QR code,
or in person at the International Affairs Division (10th Floor of City Hall).
※Limited to 30 people (first come first serve)
- Details: First we will practice as a group with a YouTube video. Afterwards, we will depart at 7:10 and join the festival from 7:30, dancing along the street in front of city hall for about 30 minutes. Festival uniforms (happi) will be provided.
- There will be traffic restrictions on the day of the festival, so please be careful if travelling by car.



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