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千葉市からのお知らせ CITY NEWS

新型コロナウイルス感染症 関連情報 Information on COVID-19

Notice of preventative measures against COVID-19 in Chiba City

★Subsidized PCR test for expectant mothers The city will subsidize the cost of PCR testing up to 20,000 yen for expectant mothers who are worried about infection.

Eligibility: 36th weeks of pregnancy with no symptoms. For more details, please search for |千葉市 出産||新型コロナウイルス検査 ("Chiba City prenatal pregnant women PCR testing)

★Preventing infection

- (1) Be careful of heat stroke and wear a mask when going out or talking with someone.
- 2 Maintain social distancing (more than 1-2m)
- ③ Ventilate as much as possible, avoid crowds and close conversations.
- 4 Wash your hands and disinfect surfaces thoroughly
- (5) Refrain from going to places where there are no preventative measures again the spread of COVID-19.
- ★Rent payment assistance

If you have lost your job or your income has decreased, the city will provide a subsidy equal to your monthly rent.

For more details, please search for 学葉市 住居

羅保證代記 "Chiba City rent payment assistance" ★People suspected to have the infection

電点である。 まっしょくしゃもった。 帰国者・接触者相談センター/市民向け電話相談窓

Coronavirus Consultation Center for Chiba City residents **2**238-9966 9:00-19:00 (Available on Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 9:00-

17:00)

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秋の全国交通安全運動

National Traffic Safety Campaign in Fall

The national traffic safety campaign will be held from Monday, September 21 to Wednesday, September 30 for 10 days. Follow traffic rules to avoid causing an accident and to reduce your chances of being involved in one.

- **★**Priority goals
- (1) Ensure safe passage for children and elderly and teach people how to ride a bike correctly.
- 2 Prevent elderly driver accidents.
- ③ Prevent pedestrian and cyclist accidents during dusk and at night.
- 4 The elimination of drunk driving
- **★**Traffic Safety Fair **☆** Chiba

Date: Wednesday, September 30 13:00-16:00

Venue: Lifelong Learning Center

Content: Traffic Safety Workshop • Fashion show to present clothes made of reflective materials. Capacity: First 130 people who arrive at the

venue

Ask/Apply: 県警察本部交通総務課 Chiba Prefectural Police 201-0110 地域安全課 Community Safety Division **2**245-5148

災害が起きる前に できること

What You Can Do Before a Disaster Happens

There is no guarantee that disasters such as earthquakes or heavy rain can be predicted. It is important to prepare in advance to minimize the damage.

Protect your own life

- ★Prevent furniture from toppling over and objects from falling. Fix furniture and large electrical appliances securely to walls or ceilings to prevent them from toppling over. Also, place furniture in consideration of the direction that it may fall. Put shatterproof film on glass cupboards and windows.
- ★Store food and water using a "rolling stock" method: Use and replenish rations regularly to prevent them from exceeding their expiration date. Be sure to buy things again after you consume. Don't forget to stockpile masks, flash lights, batteries and portable toilets.
- ★Install an earthquake-sensitive circuit breaker Electric shorts are the cause of about 60% of fires in large earthquakes. Quake-sensitive circuit breakers stop electricity automatically and prevent fires when an earthquake occurs. For more details, please search for 片葉市 感震

カー"Chiba City quake-sensitive circuit breaker"

Contact: 消防局多防課

Fire Prevention Division 202-1613

- ★Register for Chiba City Safe and Secure Mail Receive important information for crime and disaster prevention by email. Search for details, ちばし安全・愛心メール including registration procedures.
- ★Register for the disaster time assisted person support list

This is for those who need assistance physically, mentally or verbally when a disaster occurs. The city makes arrangements to help them.

Contact: 高齢福祉課 Senior Citizen's Welfare Division **2**245-5171

防災対策課 Disaster Prevention Division **2**245-5113

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To Stav Cool When a Disaster Happens

When a major disaster occurs, public transportation may be disrupted, it may be hard to return home, and you may not be able to meet your family for some time. Please be conscious of the following things and remain panic-free.

- ★Don't rush to move during a disaster!
- ① Don't go to a shelter if you are already in a safe
- ② Consider evacuating to the home of a relative or an acquaintance if it is safe.
- 3 Confirm your family's using the disaster emergency message board or SNS.
- 4 Check information on public transportation and traffic.
- ★Plan how you confirm your family's safety
- ① Discuss with your family how you will stay in touch in the event of an emergency
- 2 Try using the disaster emergency message board in advance to make sure you know how to use it. For more details, search for 片葉市 安否

確認 "Chiba City confirmation of the safety"

- ★Prepare to go home safely on foot ① Take a portable radio, a map and
- a cellphone charger around with you
- 2 Establish escape routes within the home and on the street by bus and on foot. Confirm the nearest disaster support station for stranded people.
- 3 At your work place, prepare a pair of comfortable sneakers, a flashlight, gloves, water and food.

Contact: 防災対策課 Disaster Prevention Division **2**245-5113

就学援助制度

Subsidy System for Students

The city subsidies expenses such as school supplies, school lunch fees, and more.

Eligibility: Children attending city-run elementary schools, Junior high schools, or special-needs schools, and any of the following:

- ① Those who are exempt from municipal taxes
- ② Those who are on welfare but have not yet received it this year.
- ③ Those who are eligible for a waived or reduced national health insurance premium or the national pension insurance premium, or who pay a small amount.
- 4 Those who receive child support allowances
- (5) Those who need financial assistance for a special reason

Apply: Consult with the school where the children attend, fill in the application form and submit it

to the school. For more details, search for 羊葉市 就学援助"Chiba City financial support for students".

Contact: Elementary • Junior high school or

学事課 School Affairs Division ☎245-5928

行って みましょう

新型コロナウイルスの影響で催し

(イベント)が 変更・中止・延期に あります

Due to COVID-19, Events and Consultations Might be Cancelled or Postponed.

For up to date information, please search for 千葉市 コロナ"Chiba City Novel Coronavirus Events"

千葉市スペシャルデー Chiba City Special Day

You can watch the baseball game between Chiba Lotte Marines and Rakuten for free at ZOZO marine stadium.

Date: November 1 13:00 Kick Off Venue: ZOZO Marine Stadium **Content:** Reserved infield seats 200 Chiba City residents How to apply: Apply from here

http://www.cnplayguide.com/marines/chiba2020/

by 22:00 on Wednesday, September 23

Contact: 観光 MICE 企画課 Tourism **MICE**

Planning Division 245-5897

かんさつ 浜辺の いきものを 観察しよう Observation of Sea Life

Would you like to observe animals that you do not see often in daily life at Inage Kaihin Park? Date: Saturday, September 19 10:00-12:00

Cancelled in case of rain or strong wind

Capacity: First 20 people

What to bring: Rain boots, hat, clothes that can be wet

Apply/Ask: 美浜公園緑地事務所 Mihama park and greenery office \$279-8440

If you would like to participate in this event, please call the number above to book.

子育てママのおしゃべりタイム

Chit-Chat Time for Mothers

Expecting mothers or those raising children are free to join with your children at public centers. Hours: 10:00-12:00. Proceed directly to the venue, no registration required. The number of participants may be limited.

★Hanamigawa-ku Wednesday, September 23 at Makuhari Public Center

Contact: Makuhari Public center 273-7522

★Inage-ku Friday, September 18 at Midorigaoka Public Center

Contact: Konakadai Public Center 251-6616

★Wakaba-ku, Thursday, September 24 at Mitsuwadai Public Center

Contact: Chishirodai Public Center ☎237-1400

★Mihama-ku, Thursday, September 17 at Takahama Public Center

Contact: Inahama Pubic Center ☎247-8555

9月はがん征圧月間がん検診を受けましょう!

September is fight against cancer month. Time to Take a Cancer Screening!

In 2019, around 300,000 people took screenings Medical examination period is until Sunday, February 28 in 2021. Please consider having this examination as soon as possible.

Contact: 健康支援課 Health Support Division **2**238-9930

9月24日(木)~30日(水)は結核予防週間

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Prevent Tuberculosis Week is from Thursday. September 24 to Wednesday, September 30 Important to Detect Tuberculosis Early

Tuberculosis is still around and if treated early, most cases do not require hospitalization. In addition, passing it to those around you is avoidable.

★What is Tuberculosis?

Tuberculosis can be spread through the air from one person to another. People nearby may breathe in the bacteria and become infected.

★To prevent Tuberculosis

Maintain good healthy to boost your immune system.

- ① Get adequate sleep
- 2 Exercise regularly
- 3 Don't smoke
- 4 Eat a balanced diet
- ★To detect Tuberculosis early, take a periodic health checkup

Get a chest x-ray at a company health checkup once a year. For those over 65, a medical examination for tuberculosis and lung cancer is free. (Medical checkup voucher sticker was sent to you in May). Infected infants are more likely than adults to get worse. Please remember to have your children vaccinated against BCG at age 4 months. For more details, please search for

"Chiba City tuberculosis prevention week".

で かんせんしょうたいさくか Contact: 感染症対策課 Infectious Disease Control

Division **2**38-9974

でいた。 一人で悩まず相談を Don't Struggle Alone

Are you struggling alone, or know someone who is? You will feel better if you talk about your issues with someone. You might even find a solution to them. Feel free to consult in person, via phone, LINE, etc.

★こころと 命の相談室 Heart and Life Counselling Room (Talk in person, 50 minutes each time)

When: Monday, Friday (except holidays) 18:00-21:00 Saturday (twice a month) 10:00-13:00 Sunday (once a month) 10:00-13:00

Where: 中央区新町18-12 第8東ビル 501号室 Room 501, Dai 8 Azuma Building, 18-12 Shinmachi, Chuo-ku

Apply: Weekdays 9:30-16:30 **2**216-3618

★心のケア相談 Mental Health Care

Consultations (consultation via phone or LINE)

When: Mon-Fri 17:00-21:00

Sat, Sun, holidays 13:00-17:00

Consult: **2**0570-010-400

LINE: Search for 手葉市 心のケア相談 ("Chiba city mental health care consultations")

★千葉市こころの電話 Chiba City Kokoro Hotline (they will listen to your concerns) ☎204-1583

When: Weekdays, 10:00-12:00/13:00-17:00 Contact: 精神保健福祉課 Mental Health and

Welfare Division **☎**238-9980

せいしょうねん なや ことそうだん **青少年の悩み事相談** Trouble Consultations for Youth

Date: Monday-Friday, 9:00-17:00

Details: You may consult about the problems that youth may have such as juvenile delinquency, bullying, truancy, etc.

Consultation Locations:

- ① 青少年サポートセンター (中央コミュニティーセンター内) Youth Support Center (inside Chuo Community Center) ☎382-7830
- ② 東分室(千城台市民センター内) East Branch (in Chishirodai Citizen Center) ☎237-5411
- ③ 西分室 (市教育会館内) West Branch (in City's

Education Center) \$277-0007

- ④ 南分室(鎌取コミュニティーセンター等複合 施設内) South Branch (in Kamatori Community Center) ☎293-5811
- ⑤ 北分室(花見川市民センター等複合施設内) North Branch (in Hanamigawa Citizen Center) **本**259-1110

がいこくじん 外国人のための 労働相談・法律相談 Legal and Labor Consultations for Foreigners

① Labor consultations with a labor and social security attorney Sat., October 10 13:00-16:00

② Legal consultations with a lawyer Mon., October 19 13:00-16:00

Where: 千葉市国際交流プラザ (中央区千葉港2-1) Chiba City International Exchange Plaza (2-1 Chibaminato, Chuo-ku)

Capacity: First 4 people to apply (for ① and ② each)

The consultation is free. Those who desire interpretation services should request them when making a reservation.

Apply/Contact: 手葉中国際交流協会 Chiba City International Association **2**245-5750

[Editor's Note] "S" from THANKS

Do you prefer *tsubu-an* (course red bean paste) or *koshi-an* (pureed red bean paste)?

It will soon be *o-higan*. *O-higan* makes you think of ohagi. It's one of my favourite dishes along with botamochi, eaten in spring. That is why I am, of course, particular about the quality of the glutinous rice used to make it, but the taste also changes depending on whether tsubu-an or koshian is used to enfold it. Statistically, it seems that koshi-an is more popular in east Japan. This is because azuki beans from Hokkaido have soft skins and are easy to strain, whereas beans in Okayama Prefecture in the west of Japan don't lose their shape even when boiled; it is said that each regional difference might be from the way they use the beans. However, I still prefer koshian. The taste changes slightly based on the texture of the paste and how much grain is left over. It's fun to find which one you enjoy. It could be considered a part of Japan's food culture. Daifuku, monaka, dorayaki, taiyaki, anman, zenzai, oshiruko,

which bean paste will you choose?