

Hikone City Foreign Residents Committee Now Recruiting Members!

■Recruiting Period■

From Feb 2
to Feb 26, 2026

■Primary Duties■

- (1) Expressing your honest thoughts on topics the city asks you to address.
- (2) Sharing your opinions on how the city can improve its public services from your perspective as a foreign resident.
- (3) Taking part in the committee's assembly meetings* and giving your opinions.

*Details of Assembly Meetings

- Members will gather and exchange opinions openly during the meetings.
- Meetings will be held on weekdays a couple of times a year.
- Each meeting will last one and a half to two hours.
- The remuneration for attending a meeting is 5,400 yen.

■Qualifications■

- A foreign national or a Japanese person with foreign roots who live or work in Hikone City.
- 18 years of age or older.
- Able to hold and understand day-to-day conversations in Japanese.
- Able to read and understand documents written in simple Japanese, including Kanji with furigana.
- Able to attend all committee assembly meetings.

■Number of Members to Be Recruited■

About 10

(Approximately five committee members will be asked to participate in each committee meeting.)

■Period of Commitment■

Between April 1, 2026 and March 31, 2028

«How to Apply»

Those interested in becoming a Hikone Foreign Residents Committee member should fill out an application form and submit it in person to the Hikone Human Rights Policy Division (the address is listed below). Alternatively, the completed form may be submitted by post, fax, or email. The application form can be downloaded from the Hikone City website

«Selection Process»

We will review each candidate's application and notify all candidates of their screening results as quickly as possible.

«Contact / Place of Submission»

TEL (0749)30-6113 FAX (0749)24-8577, E-mail kokusai@ma.city.hikone.shiga.jp

Zip Code: 522-8501 Hikone, Moto-machi, 4-2, Human Rights Division.

Hikone Foreign Residents Committee Member Application Form

I am applying to become a member of the Hikone Foreign Residents Committee.

Hiragana Name			Birth Date		
Nationality		Workplace/ School			Sex
Address	Postal Code:				
TEL			E-mail		
Circle All Topics That Interest You	Medicine • Education • Welfare • Disaster Prevention Others ()				

*Please write a short essay (about 400 words) explaining why you want to become a member of this committee, what motivated you to apply, your personal opinions and experiences of living in Hikone, and things you have found good or challenging about the city. Please note that this essay must be written in either Romaji or Japanese.

【Submission by Post or in Person】

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【FAX】(0749)24-8577

【Email】 kokusai@ma.city.hikone.shiga.jp

Please submit this form by February 26 (Thursday).