

Financial Support

Applications • Contact: Children's Home Division 0244-24-5215

You can also get general information at the General Civic Service Divisions at the Odaka and Kashima Ward Offices.

Child Allowance

Provided to those who will raise children up to the end of junior high school. If you complete the procedure within 15 days after childbirth, it will be paid from the next month onward.

Necessary documents: Guardian's Health Insurance Card, Bank Passbook, My Number Card.

0-3 years old: ¥15,000/month - per child (same amount for all children)

3-year-old to the end of elementary school: ¥10,000/month - per child (※¥15,000 for the third child and subsequent children.)

Junior high school student: ¥10,000/month - per child (same amount for all children)

※After the third child: this refers to the third and subsequent children out of all the children up until high school graduation.

※If you exceed the income limit, you will be paid a flat rate of ¥5,000.

Children's Medical Expense Subsidy

We will subsidize your child's medical expenses (co-payments and medical treatment expenses) until they are 18 years old.

Registration Procedure

Please receive a certificate of the child's medical expenses. You can receive the subsidy at medical institutions in Minamisoma, Soma, and Shinchi.

Necessary documents: Child's Health Insurance Card, Guardian's Bank Passbook

For people who had medical consultations outside of the city (besides Soma and Shinchi)

Please pay your medical expenses in full. Then send us the receipt (one that shows the date of medical treatment, number of medical treatment points, billing amount, medical institution name, and stamped receipt), as well as the children's medical expense subsidy application. You can only send in one application for one medical institution in a month (you can't send multiple applications for multiple appointments in the course of a month).

Application: Print each type of application out from the city/ward homepage, or receive the application papers by mail upon requesting them from the Children's Home Division.

"Welcome Baby" Birthday Celebration Gift Delivery

To celebrate the birth of your child and wish for a healthy life for them, we carry out the "Welcome Baby' Birthday Celebration Gift Delivery Program" to provide birthday gifts to new parents.

Qualification requirements: The gift will be provided if any of the following applies. (Please apply within half a year of giving birth.)

1. Since giving birth you have a registered address within the city.
2. If either the mother or the father of the child have a registered address in the city on the day of the child's birth.

Gift contents: diapers, baby wipes, and baby formula

Payment method: Benefit coupons totaling ¥20,000 per child will be issued.

Use your benefit coupons (¥1,000 ticket x 20) to redeem the diapers, etc., at a registered store in the city within the expiration date.

If you are evacuating outside the city, after payment is determined, please bill the city at a later date with the purchase receipt.

City-produced rice ... We will deliver rice harvested that year as soon as it is available.

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Famitan Card

You can use this nationwide. In Fukushima prefecture, there are about 4,000 stores. It is a card that offers benefits to families raising children up to the age of 18 at merchandise stores, restaurants, etc.

Multi-Child Household Child-Raising Support Fund

It will be provided to those who have given birth to three or more children or have entered elementary school.

[Payment Amount and Procedure]

◆ 300,000 yen/child when the third and subsequent children are born

Please apply within 30 days after giving birth.

◆ 100,000 yen/child when the third and subsequent children enter elementary school

Information will be sent from the city to those that can apply, so please apply before the deadline.

Required documents: Parental Identity Verification Documents, Bank Passbook, and a copy of your Family Register

*Children to be included in the “third and subsequent children” are newborns up until those that have not yet graduated high school (for example, a high school student, junior high student, and an elementary student could all be counted as 3 children until the high school student graduates).

Child-Raising Allowance

This allowance is provided to help stabilize the life and independence of a single-parent family who is raising a child up until they are 18 years old.

Special Child-Raising Allowance

This allowance is provided to those who are caring for children under the age of 20 who have severe or moderate physical and/or mental disabilities.

Orphan Support Fund Business for Disasters, Etc.

Orphan support funds will be provided to those who are raising children who have lost either one or both of their parents due to a nationally designated disaster or traffic accident after August 13th, 2020.

[Payment Amounts]

◆ 0~6 years old (those who have not yet entered school): 200,000 yen annually

◆ 7~15 years old (ES and JHS students): 300,000 yen annually

◆ 16~18 years old (students, etc.) 400,000yen annually

Single-Parent Home Medical Expense Subsidy

We will subsidize a portion of the medical expenses for a single-parent household who cares for a child under the age of 18 or a child without parents.

Financial Support for Securing Single-Parent Home Child Support

We will subsidize up to 30,000 yen for the cost of creating a notarial act related to child support, and up to 50,000 yen for the cost of contracts such as guarantee companies, to reimburse child support, or remind you when non-payment occurs.

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Single-Parent Home Comprehensive Support Business

- ◆ Independence support education and training benefits

Part of the cost will be paid when taking an education and training course that is useful for employment.

An examination is required before taking the course.

- ◆ Higher vocational training promotion benefits

In order to obtain qualifications advantageous for employment, we will provide benefits for up to 48 months if you work for one year or more.

- ◆ Support for passing high school graduation certification exam

A part of the cost will be paid when taking a countermeasure course conducted by a private company with the aim of passing the high school graduation certification exam.

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About settlement incentives for child-raising households and households of young couples

In order to promote the settlement of younger generations in Minamisoma, we will issue incentives to households who newly move into private rental housing in the city or acquire housing in the city. (Business period: Until March 31, 2023)

※Please be sure to consult with the Building and Housing Division before applying to confirm the application conditions.

0244-24-5253 (City hall main building, 2nd floor)

1. Subsidy Qualifications

- Keep living for more than 5 years as a resident of Minamisoma City.
- The house that you moved in/acquired has an address within the city and you currently reside in it.
- There is no discrepancy in the payment of city taxes.
- Household members are not gangsters, etc.
- Must not have received the subsidy before.
- Did not receive the same subsidy issued by other municipalities within or outside of Minamisoma.

2. Subsidy Information ※May be reduced due to shareholding with co-owners.

Young persons who have moved into households, child-raising households, households of young couples:

Moved in private rental housing: ¥180,000 || New house: ¥1,000,000 || Old house: ¥750,000

Multi-Child Household (3 children under the ages of 18 years old):

New house: ¥1,250,000 || Old house: ¥1,000,000

Multi-Generational Household:

New house: ¥1,000,000 || Old house: ¥750,000

Nearby Household:

New house: ¥750,000 || Old house: ¥500,000

※If you are a newcomer from outside the prefecture and meet the requirements of Fukushima prefecture's "KITE Fukushima Housing Acquisition Support Service," a prefecture subsidy (up to ¥800,000) will be added.

3. Important Points

We ask that you submit a pledge that indicates your intention to settle down as a resident of Minamisoma, and agree to conduct various surveys and inquiries.