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# Ginowan City Newsletter

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# The 33rd Ginowan City Local Industries Festival

11/19 (Sat) - 11/20 (Sun) 9:00-17:00 @ Ginowan Seaside Park

Ginowan will be hosting the 33rd Local Industries Festival at the Ginowan Seaside Park on 11/19 and 11/20! You can find a variety of fresh local produce such as the Oyama *taimo* (a type of yam) and for the first time in 3 years, enjoy a host of entertainment like goat fighting, fish-catching game, a livestock show, and live stage performances. Take photos with our ambassador, Hello Kitty, and win luxurious prizes in a lottery! We hope to see you there!





### GINOWAN POPULATION AS OF SEPTEMBER

Total population 100,247 (-35)

Foreign nationals I,640 (+31)

Nationalities

Total households 46,774 (+9)

51 (+1)

## Reimbursement for HPV vaccine

For women who got their shot by paying out-of-pocket

Women who missed the opportunity to receive the HPV vaccine under government coverage due to the government not having actively encouraged inoculation and paid out-of-pocket for the shot after having missed the eligibility period can apply for a reimbursement as long as they fulfill the following:

- 1. They were a registered resident of Ginowan City as of April 1, 2022
- 2. They were born between April 2, 1997 and April 1, 2005 and paid out-of-pocket to receive the Cervarix bivalent vaccine OR Gardasil quadrivalent vaccine

\*Vaccines must have been received by March 31, 2022. \*Gardasil 9 is not eligible for reimbursement.

Claims can be submitted any time between November 2022 and March 31, 2025. For details on how to submit a claim, please see our website.



For inquiries, please contact the Health Consultation Centre at 098-898-5596.

# Social Insurance Deduction Certificate will be mailed to those who made contributions to pension

Keep the certificate for your year-end adjustment and final tax return

You can claim a **tax deduction** for your public pension contributions when you file your income and inhabitant (resident) tax. You can deduct the full amount of your contributions made between January and December.

When claiming this deduction, you will need to present a <u>Certificate of Tax Deduction for Social</u> <u>Insurance Contributions</u> (in Japanese: "社会保険料(国民年金保険料)控除証明書"). Those who are eligible to receive this deduction will receive their certificate by mail from the Japan Pension Service.

If you made contributions between January 1 and September 30, 2022, your certificate will be mailed out between late October to early November. If you made contributions between October 1 and December 31, 2022, your certificate will be mailed out in early February 2023.

You can receive this deduction even if it is not you but your family member who made the contributions.

For inquiries, please call the Pension Navi Dial at 0570-003-004.

\*Operation hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 - 17:15 excluding national holidays and from December 29 through January 3.

## Housing Security Benefit Extension

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As a special provision, those who have received the benefit before can now apply for another 3-month extension

As a special provision against the economic effects of the pandemic, the government has made it possible for people who have received the Housing Security Benefit once to apply for a special extension (onetime only). The application deadline is **December 31, 2022** (applications must be postmarked by this date). Please note that the city office will be closed from December 28 for the New Year period. For more details, please contact the Welfare General Affairs Division in person or at 098-893-4480.

# GIFEA Christmas Party 2022 🎄

### 12/3 (Sat) 14:00–16:00 (doors open 13:30) @ Ginowan Marine Support Centre

The Ginowan City International Friendship Exchange Association (GIFEA) will be hosting a Christmas Party for people who would like to celebrate the season by conversing in English, making new friends and playing party games! Drinks and snacks will be provided! Entrance fee will be 1,000 yen for non-members and 500 yen for members. Scan the QR code on the right or call GIFEA at 098-896-1215 to sign up!

