



Ginowan City Newsletter

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THERE IS STILL TIME TO APPLY FOR THE 2023 SUBSIDY FOR SCHOOL EXPENSES

Households that have yet done so have until Feb 15 to apply

The Subsidy for School Expenses is a subsidy provided by the municipality under the School Education Act to households with children attending elementary and junior high school to help cover the cost of school supplies, lunches, and more. Application for the 2023 school year officially closed last August, but the city will open an additional application window for households that have not yet applied.

Children born between 2008-APR-2 and 2017-APR-1 are eligible for this subsidy.

Eligible families can submit an application to the Board of Education (on the 2nd floor of the Waterworks and Sewerage Bureau) from February 1st through the 15th from 8:30-11:45 and 13:00-17:00.

Application forms can be obtained from the school or the BOE.

Income standard (amounts are approximates)

Household size	Total household income	Household size	Total household income
2 people	under 2,000,000 yen	4 people	under 3,350,000 yen
3 people	under 2,620,000 yen	5 people	under 3,900,000 yen

GINOWAN POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2022

Total population	100,269 (-58)
Foreign nationals	1,598 (-42)
Nationalities	51 (±0)
Total households	46,828 (-13)

HANDLING FEE FOR OVERSIZED TRASH OVER 10 KG SET TO INCREASE FROM 300 TO 600 YEN

The change will be implemented in April

The handling fee for oversized garbage pickup has remained unchanged ever since the city began charging for waste disposal in April 2004. In recent years, however, expenditure for waste treatment has ballooned due to an increase in population and amount of trash produced. As such, the city has decided to increase the handling fee for oversized trash exceeding a certain size.

Under 10 kg (small) ⇒ **300 yen** per item
Over 10 kg (large) ⇒ **600 yen** per item

Please purchase **two** 300 yen disposal tickets for every oversized trash over 10 kg.

The change will apply to all reservations made on and after April 1, 2023. Any reservation made on or before March 31, 2023 will not be affected. For any questions or to make a reservation, please contact us at 098-893-4140.

FY2023 RESIDENT TAX & NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE FILING PERIOD BEGINS ON 2/16

This year's filing period is 2/16 (Thu) - 3/15 (Wed)

Who should file for Resident Tax?

- ◎ With the exception of those who filed a Final Income Tax Return, any resident who had an address in Ginowan City as of 2023-JAN-1 and who had an income last year (including those who were unemployed but had some kind of income).
- ◎ Any resident who had **no** income during the last year but wish to receive an exemption or reduction of their National Health Insurance or Nursing Care Insurance premiums.
- ◎ Any resident who had only a salaried income or income from pension but wish to add dependents or receive a deduction for Social Insurance Premiums or medical expenses.

Filing schedule based on district

Date	District	Date	District
2/16 (Thu)	Nodake, Futenma, Aragusuku	3/5 (Sun)	For those unable to come on the days designated for their district
2/17 (Fri)		3/6 (Mon)	
2/20 (Mon)	Kiyuna, Isa, Oyama	3/7 (Tue)	Ginowan, Aichi, Kamiyama, Akamichi, Uehara
2/21 (Tue)		3/8 (Wed)	
2/22 (Wed)	Mashiki, Uchidomari, Ojana	3/9 (Thu)	
2/24 (Fri)		3/10 (Fri)	
2/27 (Mon)	Kakazu, Maehara, Samashita	3/13 (Mon)	For those unable to come on the days designated for their district
2/28 (Tue)		3/14 (Tue)	
3/1 (Wed)	Ganeko, Nagata, Shimashi	3/15 (Wed)	Venue: Tax Return Consultation Window in front of the main entrance of the city office
3/2 (Thu)			
3/3 (Fri)			

Documents to bring

- My Number Card (or Individual Number Notification Card) + photo ID, and:
 - ◎ **Salaried employees and public pensioners:** Withholding Tax Statement (in Japanese: *gensen choshu-hyo*)
 - ◎ **Business owners, real estate/property income earners:** Statement of Earnings and Expenses
 - ◎ **National Health Insurance and Long-term (Nursing) Care insured person:** proof (certificate) of premiums paid
 - ◎ **National pensioners:** social insurance premium deduction certificate (in Japanese: *shakai hokenryo kojo shomeisho*)
 - ◎ **Individuals with disability:** disability handbook
 - ◎ **Students:** student ID
 - ◎ **Individuals claiming for medical deduction:** breakdown of medical expenses incurred last year and relevant receipts
 - ◎ **Individuals receiving rent from military land leases:** details of payment from the Federation of Landowners Association of Land Used for Military Purposes, 2022 property tax notice, or public dues certificate
 - ◎ **(only if applicable):** life/earthquake insurance premiums deduction certificate

Why do I need to file for Resident Tax?

It is so that the government can accurately calculate your Resident Tax liability based on the total income you earned during the previous year (Jan-Dec 2022).

The following individuals do not have to file for resident tax:

- ① Individuals that only had a salaried income and who has completed the year-end adjustment at their workplace.
- ② Individuals that only had income from pension last year.
- ③ Individuals who are dependents of a Ginowan resident that have already completed the year-end adjustment or submitted a final income tax return.

*If you do not file for Resident Tax, you may become unable to apply for certain tax-related certificates or receive deductions for your National Health Insurance or Long-term (Nursing) Care Insurance premiums.