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A Base for Promoting Tango Textiles

The Tango Open Center is Now Open!

A New Enterprise for the Tango Textile Industry

By adding on the shop to the processing factory, this will be a place where people can learn about and understand Tango Chirimen.

The Tango Textile Industrial Association opened the Central Processing Facility (Omiya Town) to the public and revealed their new Tango Open Center, which combines a shop selling Tango Chirimen goods with a showroom space. The opening ceremony for this new space was held on June 24th. Additionally, as there is a workshop space



where visitors can experience silk processing and dyeing, the facility can also serve as a center where tourists enjoy the local industry (*Tours of the processing facility and workshop experiences will require prior reservation).

"I hope that this can become a place that can welcome and educate people coming to the Tango region who want to learn and see more about Tango Chirimen if they don't know where to go first," explains Tamoi, the chairman of the Tango Textile Industrial Association.



A Hub that Helps Advance Tango's Commerce and Tourism

Hayato Tamoi, Chairman of the Tango Textile Industrial Association

With the uncertain future of Tango's standing as a major textile producer, I think there will be a large effect on kimono culture. We have plans to expand this facility as Tango Open Village, which includes a café space, plaza area, museum, and more. But first, I want the Open Center to succeed so the Association can pull up and enrich Tango as gainful cooperative. To achieve our goals, this facility will act as a central hub for commerce and tourism. By displaying products in the shop, we hope to match potential clients to local producers. By taking advantage of the center's close proximity to the



highway, we hope to introduce tourist attractions, food establishments, lodging, and other facilities in the Tango area to visitors. We hope to take this mutual approach to promote Tango and its textile industry.

Supplemental Budget

**New Programs to Save You and Your Family
from the Rising Cost of Goods**

As the cost of utilities and food keeps rising, the government is doing its best to support its citizens through financial assistance and to promote consumer spending through digital vouchers.

Countermeasures Against the Rising Cost of Goods

NEW – Child-Rearing Support Assistance

For households exempt from paying residence taxes or households with dependents that are paying a flat income tax rate will receive 30,000 yen per child under the age of 18 years old.

**Program utilizes a provisional assistance fund from the National Government.*

Living Support and Consumer Spending Stimulation Measure

EXPANSION + Digitization – Premium Digital Vouchers

When you purchase a 50,000-yen voucher set by charging your Kyotango Digital Point Card, you will receive 60,000-yen worth in vouchers. Only 40,000 sets will be sold. Get an extra 1,000 yen with every set you purchase!

**Program utilizes a provisional assistance fund from the National Government.*

Open Swimming Season for Kyotango’s Beaches

Swim at any of our 14 Beaches!

There are fourteen swimming beaches in Kyotango City. If you are going to swim, please pay attention to your bodily condition, hydrate frequently, and warm-up thoroughly before going into the ocean.

Open Swimming Season (By Town)

Tango	Nakahama Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 21 st
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	Kyuso Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Takashima Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Takano Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Tateiwa-Nochigahama Swimming Beach	July 6 th – August 18 th
	Sunagata Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 19 th
Amino	Kotobikihama-Asobi Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Kotobikihama-Kakezu Swimming Beach	July 6 th – August 18 th
	Kobama Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Hatchohama Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Hamazume-Yuhigaura Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
Kumihama	Hakoishi Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Shotenkyo-Kazuranohama Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th
	Kamai Swimming Beach	July 13 th – August 18 th

**Check Swimming Conditions and Parking Availability
Ahead of Time on your Smartphone!**

If you search up “Kyotango beach” on your browser, you can see information about which beaches you’re allowed to swim in and parking space availability.

Check for Swimming Conditions in Real-time

Look for these icons to see if the beaches are safe to swim at!



Maximum Capacity and Availability at the Parking Lots

When you tap on the parking lot you want to go to, you can see availability, total capacity, and more information with a single glance!

By the **Kyotango City Tourism Association** TEL 0772-72-6070

One Hand Beach Clean Campaign

You can protect our oceans and help us make our beaches a better place to visit with just one hand! When you come visit our beaches, all you have to do is pick up one handful of trash that you find on the beach. A little bit goes a long way, so please help us keep our beaches beautiful. Thank you for your cooperation.

Campaign Duration: July 6th – August 21st (duration may differ depending on the beach)

Participating Locations: All swimming beaches within Kyotango City



By the **Tourism Promotion Section** TEL 0772-69-0450

International Exchange News

Sharing the Charm of Paris through the Eyes of a Parisienne



Paul explaining the layout of Paris. Paris has twenty districts which spiral around the first district in a snail-like shape called escargot.

With the 2024 Paris Olympics close approaching, the Kyotango City International Association held a lecture titled “Vive la Paris” at Mineyama Community Center on June 29th. The lecturer, Paul Fouyer, also spent some time in Kyotango as an intern at a local sake brewery during his university days.

In his lecture, Paul introduced a wide variety of topics: from the special landscape of

Paris to the everyday lives of Parisians, and even talked about politics. “Buying from farmer’s markets and flea markets is an everyday event for the people of Paris. In the flea markets, you can find antiques that are two to three hundred years old, and finding these treasures is one of the many joys of being in Paris,” Paul told the audience as he showed an old map of Paris that he bought at a flea market which predates the Eiffel Tower.

Demographic Changes in Kyotango City

Timestamp	End of May 2024	End of Jun. 2024	Change
Total Population	50,481	50,423	-58
Male	24,288	24,269	-19
Female	26,193	26,154	-39
Households	22,992	22,983	-9
Changes by Main Criteria	Move-ins		65
	Move-outs		77
	Births		16
	Deaths		63
Other reasons			1

Events Calendar

8/3 (Sat.)

Let’s Play with the Boy Scouts! - Exciting Nature Experience

It’s summer! Shoot, carve, and run around and have the best time of your life playing in the mountains!

Time: 9AM – 12PM

Location: Kabutoyama (Kumihama)

For Who?: 2nd - 6th year elementary school students

Capacity: First 30 people

Fee: 200 yen per person

Things to Bring: Towel, water bottle, hat, athletic shoes, a change of clothes

Sign Up: Apply by July 30th via the QR Code

Contact: Management Office TEL 090-1078-5138



8/9 (Fri.)

Mineyama Library

Crafting Classroom – Straw Rockets

Make an air-propelled straw rocket! Let's have fun harnessing the extraordinary power of air!

Time: 10:30-11:30AM

Location: Mineyama Community Center

For Who?: Elementary school students

Capacity: First 15 people

Registration: Prior registration is required.

Contact: Mineyama Library TEL 0772-62-5101



8/12 (Mon.)

Tango Night Market 2024

The hottest event of the summer in Mineyama is back again this year! This year, the event will be held at the subground at Mineyama General Park and there will be plenty of stage performances and stalls for everyone to enjoy!

Time: 11:00AM ~ 9:00PM

Place: Mineyama General Sports Park Subground

Contact: Tango Night Market Executive Committee TEL 0772-69-0711



8/12 (Mon.)

Barefoot Concert 2024

Beach Cleanup and Twinpole Exercises

Enjoy the beach with a beach cleanup and a fun exercise using Nordic walking poles while gazing at the sunset. Participants will receive a ticket to attend the Barefoot Concert on September 8th (Sun.) this year.

Time: 5:30 – 6:30PM

Location: Kotobikihama-Kakezu Swimming Beach

Contact: Kotobikihama Singing Sands Museum TEL 0772-72-5511



8/18 (Sun.)

Library Science Club – Water and Air (Kumihama Venue)

What happens when you put an empty cup upside down in water...? Experiment what happens with water and air with every day items!

Time: 1:30 - 4:00PM

Place: Kumihama Town Hall

For Who?: 3rd to 6th grade elementary school students living in Kyotango

Capacity: First 10 people

Things to Bring: Water bottle, Clothes that are okay to get wet

Sign Up: Registration begins July 27th

Contact: Mineyama Library TEL 0772-62-5101



8/24 (Sat.)

Waku-Waku Children's University Dyeing Class

Experiment with Ancient Purple Dye

Let your kids try dyeing with purple gromwell root (*shikon*) in this hands-on experience.

Time: 1:00 – 4:00PM

Place: Agri Center Omiya (Cooking and Processing Demonstration Room)

For Who?: Elementary school students

Capacity: First 30 people (Guardians may accompany)

Things to Bring: Indoor shoes, rubber gloves, towel

Sign Up: Please sign up via the QR Code. Sign ups will close once the event has reached full capacity.

Contact: Imafuku Seminar Group (Otemae University) TEL 0898-32-5017



8/25 (Sun.)

Library Science Club – Water and Air (Omiya Venue)

What happens when you put an empty cup upside down in water...? Experiment what happens with water and air with everyday items!

Time: 1:30 - 4:00PM

Place: Kumihama Town Hall

For Who?: 3rd to 6th grade elementary school students living in Kyotango



Capacity: First 10 people

Things to Bring: Water bottle, Clothes that are okay to get wet

Sign Up: Registration begins July 27th

Contact: Mineyama Library TEL 0772-62-5101

9/29 (Sun.)

**The Tango Cultural Performing Arts Hall presents
Tango Noh – Kyotango City 20th Anniversary
Performance**

Time: From 1:30 PM (Doors Open 1:00PM)

Admission: S-Class Seating – 7000 yen

A-Class Seating – 6000 yen

Student (Elementary to Senior High) – 2000 yen

**Ticket prices will be increased by 500 yen if purchased at the door*

**Members receive a 500 yen discount for presales only (Two ticket limit per person)*

**Please refrain from attending with small children.*

Contact: Tango Cultural Performing Arts Hall TEL 0772-62-5200



**Please Join Us in a Moment of Silence
And Offer a Prayer for Everlasting Peace**

This year marks the 79th year since the end of World War II.

Seventy-nine years ago, the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima on August 6th and on Nagasaki on August 9th, making Japan the sole country in the world that has been struck by the atomic bomb. August 15th is the day that World War II ended.



Please join us in a moment of silence on the following dates and times as we remember

the lives lost in the war and pray for everlasting peace.

Remembering Hiroshima

August 6th (Tuesday) at 8:15AM

Remembering Nagasaki

August 9th (Friday) at 11:02AM

Remembering the End of World War II

August 15th (Thurs.) at noon

By the **Welfare Section** TEL 0772-69-0310

Changes to Financial Aid for Disabled Persons

You May Now Be Qualified to Apply for Assistance Programs

Daily Necessity Allowance Program for People with Disabilities

Newly Added Categories
Household Electrical Generator or External Battery Unit for an Artificial Respiratory Device
Rechargeable Batteries for Cochlear Implants/Charging Unit for Cochlear Implants

Revised Services	Revised Eligibility
Braille Display	Higher than Level 2 Vision Impairment
Low Vision Clocks	Higher than Level 2 Vision Impairment
Ostomy Equipment	Children with an additional stoma (Includes children who are currently living in welfare facilities)

Hearing Aid Assistance Program for Elderly Citizens with Hearing Impairments

Conditions for Eligibility (Post-Revision)
1. Must be over 65 years of age, have a registered residence in Kyotango City, and does not qualify for or possess a Physical Disability Certificate for Hearing

Impairments.
2. Both ears can hear from 40 to 70 decibels and is not eligible to receive subsidies for supplementary hearing aids.
3. Must be recognized by a doctor designated by the Prefectural Governor to require a hearing aid or supplement.
4. Those who are below the taxable income level for municipal taxes, or are a household currently receiving welfare.*

**Only Condition 4 has been revised. The original condition was "households that are below the taxable level for municipal taxes".*

By the **Disability Welfare Section** TEL 0772-69-0320

The Gundam Manhole Covers are Finally Installed!



Gundam Design RX-78-2 Gundam
Installation Site – Hamazume Sunset Hill
44 Hamazume, Amino-cho
A popular scenic spot along Yuhigaura Beach.



Z'gok Design MSM-07 Z'GOK
Installation Site – Roadside Station Tenki Tenki Tango
313-1 Takano, Tango-cho
Nearby the famous landmark of the San'in Kaigan Geopark, Tateiwa.



Gundam Manhole Cover Cards to Commemorate Kyotango City's 20th Anniversary

This year, to commemorate the 20th year since the establishment of Kyotango City, the City has made collectible cards for the city’s exclusive Gundam manhole covers. They will be available for free from Amity Tango (Amino) beginning July 26th. *Limit one card per person. Conditions apply.



By the **Management, Planning, and Maintenance Section** TEL 0772-69-0550

Let’s Incorporate Carbon-Negative Actions into our Daily Lives!

Be a part of the movement to create a new, fulfilling way of life with decarbonization

Global warming is said to be caused by the greenhouse gases we emit from our everyday lives. And so, we are promoting initiatives to eliminate the production of CO₂, the most representative greenhouse gas. In our everyday lives, let’s start with the changes we can make and become more conscientious about preventing global warming.

More details here (Japanese)



Category	Action
First Start Here	Living – Choose electrical appliances that use LEDs or save energy.
	Food – Eat and use up all of your food.
CO ₂ levels will naturally	Transportation – Choose next-generation eco-

decrease	friendly cars
	Living – Adopt solar energy
We're all in this together!	Clothing – Adopt Cool-Biz and Warm-Biz at work
	Food – Choose locally-grown and raised foods
	Transportation – Move around using public transport, bicycle, or on foot
	Living – Accept packages on the first delivery

When a Heat Illness Warning Alert or a Special Heat Illness Warning Alert is issued, please refrain from going outside and avoid the heat as much as possible.

Please refrain from exercising outdoors and act with more caution than usual to prevent heatstroke. Please use one of the city's Cooling Shelters at designated community centers and Citizen Bureaus to escape the heat.

By the Life Environment Section TEL 0772-69-0240

New Kyoto-By-the-Sea Coin Campaign

Comes with Premium Privileges!

Now, you can get 5000-yen worth of Kyoto-By-the-Sea Coin for every 4000 yen you purchase!

Through the Kyoto-by-the-Sea DMO, there is now a campaign going on now for citizens who live in the Kyoto-by-the-Sea area (Maizuru, Ayabe, Yosano, Miyazu, Fukuchiyama, and Kyotango) to use Kyoto-by-the-Sea Coin. You can use the Kyoto-by-the-Sea Coin as payment at participating locations.



Use the coins at the inn you've always wanted to stay at, at the restaurants you've always wanted to eat at, or use it for the experiences that you've always wanted to try! You can enjoy Kyoto-by-the-Sea in a totally new way!

You can receive Kyoto-by-the-Sea Coin immediately after signing up, so start using it today!

As an initiative to give back to the local region, this is a campaign where you can receive 5000-yen worth of Kyoto-by-the-Sea Coin for only 4000 yen.

Campaign Lasts Until August 31st

*Distribution will end once the maximum has been reached.

How to Apply: Through the website

Limit 10 sets per person

Applicable Period: Up to 180 days after issue date

More details here (Japanese):



By Kyoto-by-the-Sea DMO TEL 0772-68-5055

Blood Donation Calendar

Date	Reception Hours	Location
8/7 (Wed.)	10:00AM~11:30AM 12:45PM~3:00PM	Kumihama Town Hall
8/25 (Sun.)	9:30AM~11:30AM 12:45PM~3:30PM	Shopping Center Mine

Consultation Services

※The following services are, in principle, free. All matters will be kept confidential.

Consultation Service	Dates	Place	Matters Addressed	Reservations	To Sign Up or Contact
Healing Café Tsusentei	8/7 (Wed.) 10AM~2PM	Machi Machi Information Center	Talk about what has been troubling you in a relaxed space.	Not required	Health Promotion Section TEL 0772-69- 0350
	8/8 (Thurs.) 10AM~4PM	Kissako Tsusentei Café			Tsusentei

					Management Committee TEL 0772-83-0139
Women's Consultation Service Window	9/18 (Wed.) 1:15PM ~ 4:05PM	Announced when you reserve an appointment	Find solutions to problems you face as a woman with a supportive counselor	Prior reservation required	Citizen's Affairs Section TEL 0772-69-0210
Hikikomori Consultation Service	Weekdays 9AM~6PM (excluding Wednesday afternoons)	Hitotowa	For people in reclusion, their families, and related persons (50 min slot per person) Prior reservation required	Enterprise Union Labor Cooperative Center Project "Hitotowa"	TEL 080-2507-9010
Yoriso Shien Comprehensive Support Center	Mon-Fri 9AM~5PM *Closed on public holidays	Mineyama General Welfare Center, West Annex	A one-stop place to discuss and get support for worries about everyday issues and employment.	Not required	Consultations: 0120-125-294 Yoriso Shien Comprehensive Support Center TEL 0772-62-0032
Nurse Employment Consultation Group	8/1 (Thurs.) 1:30~3PM	Hello Work Mineyama	Consult about restarting your career or changing jobs. Gather useful information and information on trainings for re-employment	Not required	Northern Kyoto Prefecture Nurse Support Center TEL 0772-46-9002
Employment Consultation Service for Young People	Mon, Tues, Thurs. 11AM~4PM *Closed on public holidays	Yoriso Shien Comprehensive Support Center	Employment support for job hunting 15- to 49-year olds and family members	Prior reservation required	Northern Kyoto Young Person Support Station, Kyotango Satellite Office TEL 050-3559-

					2804
Government Administration Consultation Service	8/28 (Wed.) 9:30~11:30AM	Omiya Town Hall	Grievances, opinions, and hopes about national policies	Not required	Kyoto Administrative Monitoring and Administration Consultation Center 075-802-1100
Legal Consultation Service	8/1 (Thurs.) 1:30~4:30PM 8/8 (Thurs.) 3:00 ~ 5:00PM 8/22 (Thurs.) 3:00 ~ 5:00PM	Mineyama Community Center	Issues regarding household registry, debts, and laws and regulations.	Prior reservations required	Kyoto Judicial Scrivener's Association Comprehensive Consultation Center TEL 075-255-2566
Administrative Legal Consultation	8/8 (Thurs.) 10:00AM~12:00PM	Mineyama General Welfare Center	Construction permits, matters concerning the Agricultural Land Act, inheritances/wills, contract writing, etc.	Not required	Prefectural Administrative Lawyer's Association First Chapter Bureau TEL 0772-68-0237
Tax Consultation Service	8/7 (Wed.) 1:00~4:00PM	Mineyama Community Center	Consult about income taxes, etc. with a tax accountant	Prior reservations required	Mineyama Tax Association (Mon. ~ Fri.) 9:00AM – 5:00PM TEL 0772-62-5458
Consumer Affairs Consultation Service	Weekdays 9:00AM ~5:00PM *Closed on public holidays	Consumer Living Center	How to go about contracts, cooling off periods, and other consumer affairs	Not required	Kyotango City Consumer Living Center TEL 0772-62-6768

					Consumer Support Hotline (TEL 188)
Human Rights Consultation Service	Every Thursday 9:00AM~4:00PM	Kyoto Local Legal Bureau, Kyotango Branch	Discrimination, harassment, and other infringements on human rights	Not required	Kyoto Regional Legal Bureau Kyotango Branch Office TEL 0772-62-0365
Consultation Service for Young Carers	Weekdays 8:30AM ~ 5:15PM *Closed on public holidays	Mineyama General Welfare Center	Accepts requests from both children who take on responsibilities caring for relatives or doing chores at home and their guardians	Not required	Child & Family Center (within the Childcare Support Section) TEL 0772-69-0370
Child & Family Center			Pregnancy, birth, childcare, home matters. Accepts consultations by phone or in-person visits to the center or home.		
Hearing Ability Consultation	9/5 (Thurs.) 1:30~4:30PM	Tango Community Center	A speech therapist will be present to conduct a hearing test and talk about your hearing problems	Prior registration needed	Kyotango City Hearing and Language Disability Center TEL 0772-62-5529

Bullying Consultation Hotline	24/7, 365 days a year	N/A	An overseeing staff member and a clinical psychologist will lend an open ear.	Not required	City Bullying Hotline TEL 0120-889-061 Schools & Education Section TEL 0772-69-0620
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Get Medical Attention on the Weekends



Doctors Available for an Emergency Diagnosis

Hours: 9AM – 12PM / 2PM – 5PM

Specialty: Internal Medicine

7/28 (Sun)	Tango Furusato Hospital	TEL 0772-72-5055
8/4 (Sun)	Yasaka Hospital	TEL 0772-65-2003
8/11 (Sun)	Tango Furusato Hospital	TEL 0772-72-5055
8/12 (Mon.)	Kumihama Hospital	TEL 0772-82-1500
8/18 (Sun)	Tango Furusato Hospital	TEL 0772-72-5055
8/25 (Sun)	Yasaka Hospital	TEL 0772-65-2003
9/1 (Sun)	Yasaka Hospital	TEL 0772-65-2003
9/8 (Sun)	Tango Furusato Hospital	TEL 0772-72-5055

**Please visit the doctor if you have symptoms of heatstroke or if your child needs a diagnosis.*

**City hospitals with emergency services are Tango Central Hospital, Yasaka Hospital, and Kumihama Hospital.*

Kyoto Eco-Summer Begins on July 20th!



More details here



Through a collaboration with Kyoto Prefecture, local companies, governments, and schools, Kyoto Eco-Summer helps support families to use public transportation during summer vacation.

Up to two elementary school-age children can ride free with one adult on participating bus routes and on the Kyoto Tango Railway!



Kyoto Tango Railway



Tankai Bus



City Bus

Duration: July 20th (Sat.) through August 25th (Sun.)

How to Use

**Please show your ticket to the train conductor if you are getting off at an unmanned station.*

Bus – Let the bus driver know you are utilizing Eco-Summer when you get off and just pay for the adult fare.

Railway – 1) Download and print the dedicated ticket form the Kyoto Tango Railway website.

2) Tell the staff before and after you ride the train at the ticket gate that you are utilizing Eco-Summer and show them the dedicated ticket.

By the **Policy and Planning Section** TEL 0772-69-0120

For People who are Settling or Have Employment in Kyotango City...

Kyotango City will Help Pay off Your Student Loans!

The Largest Policy to Support the Working Youth in Japan!

Get up to 3.6 million yen in assistance within ten years

Maximum 30,000 yen a month (360K yen per year) for students loans paid off within the applicable period(※).

※*The applicable period is one year after October 1st of the fiscal year prior to the year you apply for assistance.*

Eligibility

**Please apply beforehand to receive approval.*

**Excludes national and local government officials*

**Must live continuously in the area for ten years*

- Graduated from either a four-year college/university, graduate school, two-year college, vocational school (limited to four- to five-year programs), or specialized technical school (either specialized or general course)
- Under the age of 30
- Must live in and commute from Kyotango City

Important:

Those who are currently receiving assistance must reapply every year (A notice will be delivered before the application period begins).

Currently, approximately 250 people have been approved and are receiving assistance through this student loan payback support program.



For more information

Education General Affairs Section

TEL 0772-69-0610

For more detailed information, please check the website.

