

## Public Relations Kyotango Magazine – June 2022

*SDGs Future City*

### Kyotango City's SDGs Logo Designs are Finalized! Let's Promote SDGs Together!

Our students from Elementary to Senior High School have chosen the following seven designs!



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If you would like to use the logos for your business, learn more on how to apply on the City's website or contact the [Policy and Planning Section](#) (TEL 0772-69-0120).



## *Environment*

### **Beautiful Town Planning Council Responds to Wind Power Generation Project Plan's Inquiry on Mt. Isanago**

#### *Statement Submitted to Kyoto Prefecture Requesting Utmost Adherence and Reflection of Contents within Report*

On April 6<sup>th</sup>, the Beautiful Town Planning Council compiled a report to Mayor Nakayama in response to the proposed plan for the Kyotango City Mt. Isanago Wind Power Generation Project (provisional name) planned to take place in the Mineyama and Omiya areas by private contractors.

During an inquiry conducted in November of last year, the City requested the Council to provide a statement regarding surveys and deliberations about the overall environmental effects of the project --with particular attention to natural surroundings, disaster risk, and residential life-- and about the legal procedures involved. Following the submission of the Statement of Opinion to the Prefecture regarding the Tango Peninsula First and Second Wind Power Generation Projects (provisional name), the Statement of Consideration for Environmental Impact about the Planning Stage of Kyotango City Mt. Isanago Wind Power Generation Project was drafted as a culmination of onsite surveys and three council meetings between a board of town representatives and advisors specializing in each relevant field.

In the report, the Council expressed that the City should sincerely value the contents of the report when proceeding with necessary procedures related to assessing environmental impact into the future. In addition, the Council released their opinions towards the project plan (see below).

Based on this report, Mayor Nakayama submitted the Statement from the Viewpoint of Environmental Conservation to Prefectural Governor Nishiwaki on April 8<sup>th</sup>, and requested the Governor to adhere and reflect the contents of the Statement to the utmost degree.



### **Main Opinions Regarding the Project Plan**

- If the project has no way to prevent any major effect on the health, living

environment, biodiversity, or natural landscape in the local area or causes any disaster now, at any point in the survey process, or as a result, and the City is unable to address and rid the grievances of the people, the project shall make the necessary revisions, which include cutting down on the scale or terminating the project altogether.

- Any effect the project may have on the environment must provide an explanation based on scientific evidence.
- In the planned project area, the contractors must grasp the situation around past geological disasters i.e. landslides, assess the effect of the project, and articulate any risk of disaster.
- The contractors must survey the effects of the project on the Takeno and Masudome Rivers that flow through the planned project site.
- The contractors must learn and understand about the historical and cultural significance of Mt. Isanago, such as the Hagoromo legend, and respect the sentiments of the local residents.
- In the event a disaster happens on the planned project site, the contractors will designate responsibility and provide an explanation.
- The contractors will make considerations to coexist with the local community and contribute to enlivening the local economies.
- Etc.

*The opinions above have been selected and abbreviated by the Life Environment Section based on the specific situations surrounding the City.*

By the Life Environment Section TEL 0772-69-0240



## Gender Equality Newsletter

*~For a Society where Anyone and Everyone Can Live as Themselves~*

Gender Equality is an effort we make to realize a society where both men and women have empathy and look out for each other and help one another. Instead of thinking, “because I’m a man...” or “because I’m a woman...”, let’s work towards a society where anyone and everyone can live as they are.

The City hopes to promote a community where all residents can lead a rich and fulfilling life. In this section, we plan to regularly publish information about initiatives for gender equality into the future.

### Issue 1 – Protecting our Youth from Online Criminal Activity

The internet is a very convenient place to get information. However, it also

provides many places for criminals to hide. Much of the criminal activity that happens on the internet targets young people in their teens or 20s, who may not even realize they're involved in illicit activities or violent relationships until it's too late. As a community and family, let's work to prevent these kinds of crimes from happening.

### Lowering the Legal Age of Adulthood and the Issue of Coerced Pornography and Sexual Exploitation of Teenage Girls (aka "JK Business")

From April 1<sup>st</sup> of this year, an amendment to the Civil Code went into effect and lowered the age of adulthood in Japan. At the age of eighteen, teenagers can enter contracts without the consent of their parents.

Unfortunately, businesses who use social media advertisements and other sly tactics to lure in unsuspecting teenagers have only increased the number of victims forcibly coerced into pornography or sexual exploitation. (For more details, please take a look at the Cabinet Office's website)

### Online "Violence" – Is this happening to someone close to you?

1. Requesting, distributing, or sending images or videos of sexual nature is Digital Sexual Assault!
  2. Repeated and unwanted calls or texts that instill fear is stalking!
  3. Verbal attacks and shaming are Internet-bashing/slandering!
- Internet sites and social media platforms may suddenly become dangerous places to be.

### Kyotango City's Intimate Partner Violence Lecture

Intimate Partner Violence (date domestic violence) is domestic violence that occurs between unmarried couples. This year, presentations about the dangers of intimate partner violence were given at the municipal junior high schools. We are progressing with education programs to prevent intimate partner violence and teaching youth to treasure themselves.

There is a consultation service available via phone and social media. If you believe you are a victim or might be a victim of sexual assault, or have concerns regarding sexual violence, please do not hesitate to talk with us.

**By the Kyoto Prefecture One-stop Consultation Support Center for Victims of Sexual Violence Kyoto SARA**

Available 10AM~10PM (365 days a year)

TEL 075-222-7711

### Citizen Affairs Section Consultation Hotline

Available 8:30AM~5:15PM (Except government holidays)

TEL 0772-69-0217

San'in Kaigan UNESCO Global Geopark  
**20<sup>th</sup> TANGO 100KM ULTRAMARATHON**  
Coming back on September 18<sup>th</sup>!

Starting Times:

100KM >> 4:20AM, 4:30AM, and 4:40AM @ Amity Tango

60KM >> 9:00AM @ Kumihama-hama Park



**Special Features about the 20<sup>th</sup> Tango Ultramarathon**

- **Initiatives to Appeal the San'in Kaigan Geopark**  
Since the Ultramarathon Series has become a brand, this region will be able to appeal the San'in Kaigan Geopark through collaborating with other ultramarathons. For more effective advertising, city-affiliated organizations will also work together to make the event exciting.
- **Environmental Conservation Activities for the Geopark**  
A part of the runners' participation fee will go towards the non-profit organization Japan Geopark Network and the San'in Kaigan Geopark Promotion Council to preserve the natural environment in the Geopark.

**Presenting the Best of Kyotango has to Offer!**

- **Issuing the Seasonal Foods Passport**  
For people to get to know about the seasonal foods of Kyotango, stores, *ryokan* inns, hostels, and hotels will collaborate with the marathon to offer the best foods of the season! A Seasonal Foods Passport will be issued to each of the runners in the Tango



Ultramarathon.

### ➤ Be the Face of the Tango Ultramarathon!

We are accepting photos of participants taken at memorable locations, or with recommended photo-op spots and landscapes. (Deadline Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>)

The selected photos will be used in the poster for next year's Ultramarathon.

To register for the race, or to see more information, search for the Tango 100KM Ultramarathon or scan the QR code below.

Coronavirus prevention measures will be enforced at the event. Based on guidelines given by federal, prefectural, and municipal authorities, the opinions of healthcare professionals, and the situation regarding the spread of the novel coronavirus, the committee will make a comprehensive decision whether or not to hold the race over three different periods of time.

## Do You have a MyNumber Card?

On top of using your MyNumber Card as a personal ID card, you can also use it for online applications that need your e-Tax number or a document to verify your identity. If you don't have a MyNumber Card yet, use this opportunity to apply for one today!

### Main Ways to Apply for a MyNumber Card

#### 1) Apply through the Support Window at City Hall

Things You'll Need: ID Verification Documents, Notice Card (You can still apply without this)

The Process: 1) Take your picture at the counter (you can also bring your own profile photo)// 2) Fill out the application form

#### 2) Apply Online via your smartphone

Things you'll need: A smartphone, QR Code for the application form, a photo file of your face

The Process: 1) Take a picture of your face using your smartphone camera// 2) Access the application form through scanning the QR code // 3) Fill in the necessary information and upload your profile picture.

#### 3) Apply by Mail

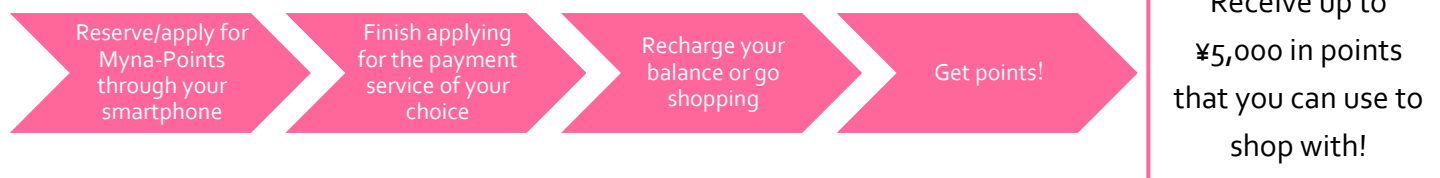
Things you'll need: Profile picture, the application form, and the designated envelope for your MyNumber Card application

The Process: 1) Prepare your profile picture// 2) Fill out your application form and attach your photo// 3) Seal in the designated envelope and take it to the post box.

*In about one and a half months to two months' time, a letter with information about your MyNumber Card will be delivered to your mailbox. Please come to the City Hall to retrieve your MyNumber card. (Prior reservation needed)*

## Receive Myna-Points by Making a MyNumber Card!

Myna-Points are points given to you by the National Government when you use your MyNumber Card to reserve/apply, re-charge your cashless payment service of choice, or go shopping.



## Other Ways to get Myna-Points

There are plans to launch a point program where you can receive points by signing up to use your MyNumber Card as your Health Insurance Card or registering your bank account to receive public funds. You can view more detailed information by scanning the QR Code.

More information regarding Myna-Points and any procedures will be published in later editions of the Public Relations Magazine.

**By Citizens' Affairs Section** TEL 0772-69-0210 (About Applying for the Card)

**Digital Strategy Section** TEL 0772-69-0130 (For more about Myna-Points)

**To reserve or apply, scan here:**

You can also reserve or apply for Myna-Points through the service window at City Hall. Please inquire for more information.



## Please Cooperate to Reduce and Sort out Trash!

The City is undertaking the initiative to reduce the amount of trash coming from every household to 1,000g per person, per day. By cutting down the amount of trash, we can slow the effects of global warming by reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and preserve the abundance of our land and sea.

For more, please check with the booklet, *The Way to Sort and Take out your Trash!*

## Landfill Conditions (as of October 2021)

	Mineyama Final Disposal Site	Omiya Final Disposal Site	Amino Final Disposal Site	Kumihama Final Disposal Site
First Year of Operation	2001	1982	2002	2005

Maximum Landfill Capacity	43,000m <sup>3</sup>	86,300m <sup>3</sup>	75,000m <sup>3</sup>	24,800m <sup>3</sup>
Current Capacity Level	92%	76%	89%	69%
Last Expected Year of Operation	2023	2033	2023	2028

## Remember the 4Rs!

### ✓ Reduce

- Only buy what you need
- Use refillable products
- Dry your raw garbage before tossing it out

### ✓ Reuse

- Buy items from second-hand stores and recycle shops!
- If it's broken, try to fix it as much as you can!

### ✓ Refuse

- Shop with reusable bags instead of buying plastic bags
- Buy items with minimal packaging
- Think about what you need before you buy
- Use your own refillable drink bottle!

### ✓ Recycle

- Take your paper waste to the designated collection sites!
- Choose items made of recyclable materials
- Sort accordingly so materials can be reused



## Help us to get rid of this invasive plant species!

### Lanceleaf Tickseed

(*Coreopsis lanceolata*, Japanese name Oo-kinkei-giku)

#### Characteristics:

- Large, bright yellow blooms from May through July
- Flowers can grow around 5 cm in diameter, and stems





30~70cm long

- Blooms can be single- or double-layered
- The tips of the petals are jagged, and leaves are long and tongue-shaped
- Found in clusters in yards, alongside roads, empty lots, and by streams and rivers

#### How to Remove:

Pull the plant out by the roots and let it dry out for 2-3 days. Shake off as much dirt as you can and dispose of it in burnable trash.

If it is hard to weed the plant out, cut it at the root before the flowers bloom. The stems will grow out again, so remember to cut them again in two months' time.



#### Pickup

### Thoughts for World Peace through Music

#### *A Guitar Concert by Assistant English Language Teachers (ALTs)*



The General Meeting for the Kyotango City International Association (KIA) and Guitar Concert was held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Mineyama Comprehensive Welfare Center. After the General Meeting, Erik, a Yosano ALT, and his wife, Rie gave a lovely performance on their guitars. A total of 30 people attended the online/in-person hybrid event.

In a heart-felt performance wishing for peace in the world, Erik and Rie played a set of nine songs with favorites such as "Country Roads" and "Imagine". One audience member remarked, "Since the start of the novel coronavirus pandemic, I was moved to be able to hear a live performance again. I look forward to future events the KIA has in store."

### About the 4<sup>th</sup> Dose of the Coronavirus Vaccine

As per the direction of the National Government, the City is administering the fourth dose of the coronavirus vaccine to prevent the development of severe symptoms.

**For Residents over 60 years old.....** After submitting your Vaccination

Application, you will receive a notice from the City about your appointment date and location.

**For Residents with Underlying Conditions...** After submitting the Underlying Condition Report Form and Application that was sent to each household around May 25<sup>th</sup>, a Vaccination Ticket will be sent to you. Please reserve your own appointments.

## Overview about the 4<sup>th</sup> Dose

Target Recipients (Must have received 3<sup>rd</sup> Dose)

- Must be 60 years or older on the day you receive the 4<sup>th</sup> Dose
- Have underlying conditions if 18~59 years old
- Deemed at risk of developing severe to critical symptoms by a doctor

### Vaccination Period

- After five months or more has passed since your 3<sup>rd</sup> dose

### Administered Vaccines

- Pfizer
- Moderna

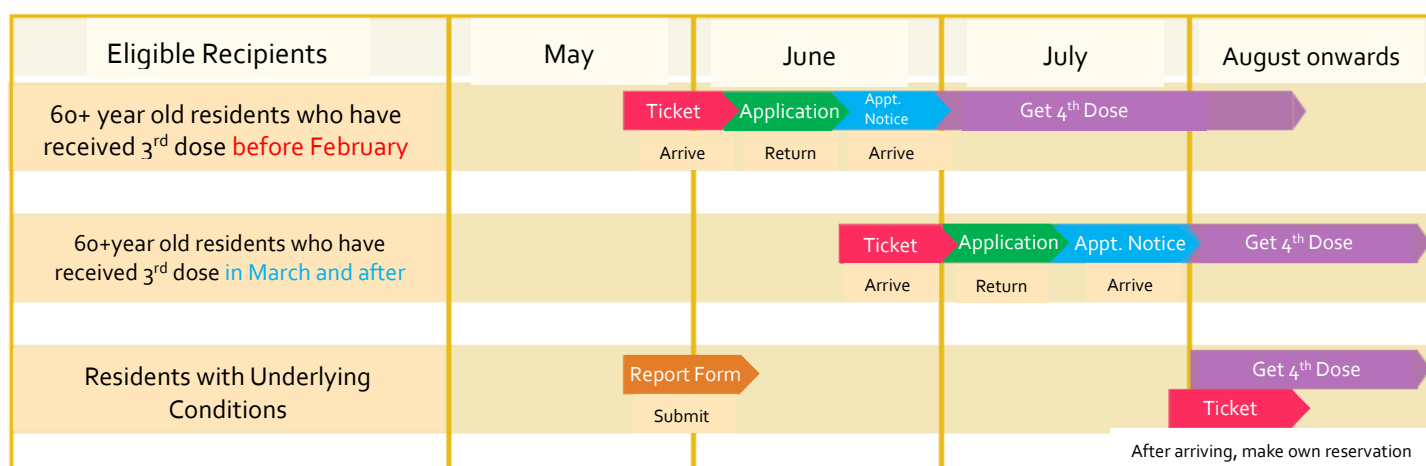
### Vaccination Sites

- Individual Vaccinations (At each medical facility)
- Group Vaccinations (Yasaka Community Center)

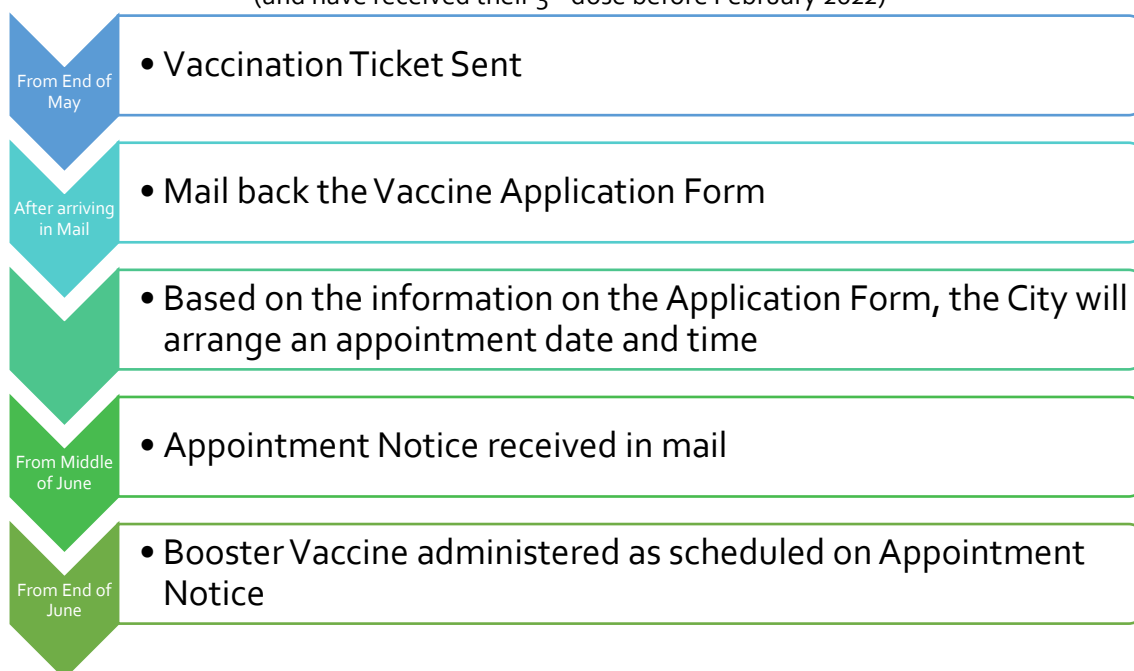
\*Vaccinations are free

\*Subject to change in accordance to the National Government's policy

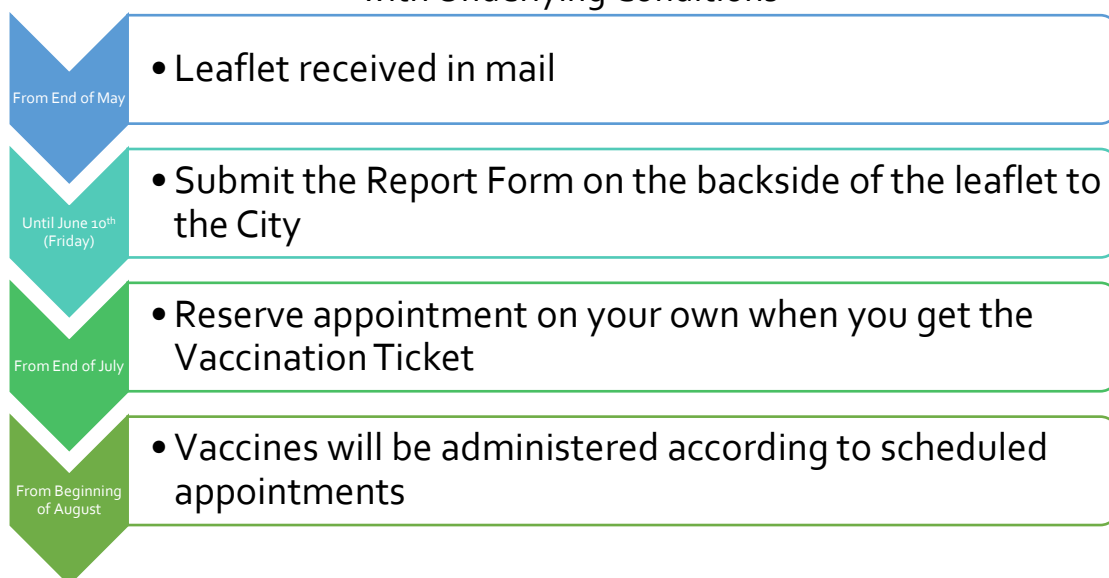
\*At the current moment, which vaccines will be available at which vaccination site is still to be determined.



### General Timeline for Residents over 60 years old (and have received their 3<sup>rd</sup> dose before February 2022)



### General Timeline for Residents 18~59 years old with Underlying Conditions



### How to Submit:

- 1) Bring to the Coronavirus Prevention Office or to your nearest Town Hall
- 2) Fax it to the Coronavirus Prevention Office (0772-62-1156)
- 3) Email to [kinkyushien@city.kyotango.lg.jp](mailto:kinkyushien@city.kyotango.lg.jp)
- 4) Send by post to the Coronavirus Prevention Office (691 Sugitani, Mineyama-cho,

Kyotango-shi, Kyoto-fu 〒627-0012)

**Vaccination Rates** — Below are the number of people in Kyotango who have received the third dose of the vaccine and the vaccination rate.

**Total Number of People Vaccinated in Kyotango:** 34,815

**Vaccination Rate:** 72.4%

(National Average 55.4%, Prefectural Average 50.8%)

\*As of May 16<sup>th</sup>

*Kyotango City International Exchange News*

## **An American Cultural Experience for the Kids!**

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, the KIA and the U.S. Army Kyogamisaki Communications Site held an Easter Egg Hunt on the grass field outside of the Tango Cultural Center. Besides the egg hunt, there was egg-painting and a picture book read-aloud about Easter. About 150 people attended the event. One of the participants

remarked, “The staff were nice and spoke to us in easy-to-understand English that even our children could understand, so both parents and kids have the opportunity to engage with English.”



## **Population and Number of Households in Kyotango**

The number in parentheses reflects the change from the end of March to the end of April according to the Basic Resident Registry. Includes foreign residents.

**Population:** 52,415 (-36)

**Male:** 25,251 (-29)

**Female:** 27,164 (-7)

**Number of Households:** 22,958 (+46)

**Main Reasons for Change in Population (April):**

**Move-in:** 187

**Births:** 14

**Move-out:** 175

**Deaths:** 62

## We are now entering Flood Season (June~October)!

*Prepare for Heavy Rains and Typhoons!*

*Review what to do during an Evacuation!*

In recent years, there have been heavy rainstorms seen all across Japan on a scale never seen before. Keep in mind to ensure your safety first, and then work to ensure the safety of others in your community. By keeping this concept in mind during a natural disaster, let's make proper preparations on a daily basis.



If a Level 3 or Level 4 warning is issued,  
evacuate away from dangerous areas.






※In the case a typhoon is approaching or the risk of a natural disaster is apparent, please evacuate before a warning is issued.



Reach out to other people in your area, and get  
to an evacuation site or other area of safety as  
quickly as possible.

※ You can find city-designated Emergency Evacuation Sites and Designated Evacuation Sites on the City Flood and Landslide Disaster Map. (Also available to view on the City's website)

- So that you can assess the warning level yourself, please view the Disaster Prevention and Meteorological Information on the Japan Meteorology Agency's website (Level 1~2) and the City's Evacuation Information (Level 3~5).
- For residents living in areas where a Level 3 or Level 4 warning is issued by the City, please evacuate as quickly as possible.

<div>Warning Level 1</div> <div></div> <div>Stock up and Prepare Evacuation Kit</div> <div>Early-stage Caution Advisory</div>	<div>Warning Level 2</div> <div></div> <div>Confirm what to do during an Evacuation and your Evacuation Routes</div> <div>Advisory Issued</div>	<div>Warning Level 3</div> <div>*For people who need time</div> <div></div> <div>Seniors, disabled persons, infants and their supporters/guardians <u>must</u> <u>evacuate</u> from dangerous areas</div>	<div>Warning Level 4</div> <div></div> <div>Evacuate ASAP! Everyone must evacuate away from dangerous areas.</div> <div>Evacuation Order</div>
<div>Warning Level 5</div> <div></div> <div>Take the best course of action to save your life! Disaster is already happening.</div> <div>Get to safety immediately!</div>			

## Now Accepting Donations for the Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis Relief Fund!

The Japan Red Cross Society is now accepting donations for relief efforts in Ukraine and neighboring countries. We ask for your understanding and cooperation.

**Donation Period:** Until September 30<sup>th</sup> (Friday)

**Donation Box Locations:** Each Citizen's Bureau, Welfare Office, and at each Kyotango City Social Welfare Council Offices

**By the Kyoto Prefecture Kyotango Branch Japan Red Cross Society**  
(in the Welfare Section) TEL 0772-69-0310

