

# SEPTEMBER BULLETIN!



## Chat Cafe for Foreigners!

When: September 27th (SUN.) 10AM - 12PM  
Where: Tojo Community Center

The topic for this chat cafe will be "Earthquakes and Natural Disaster Prevention". There will be a short presentation about these topics, but afterwards participants can freely talk in their small groups. This is a good opportunity to learn more about life in Kamogawa and connect with the larger community! There is no participation fee. Please apply by September 23rd.

To apply: KIRA TEL 04-7093-5931 kira@city.kamogawa.chiba.jp



## Important Information! 2020 National Census



The Japanese government will begin conducting the national census. The census is an important way for the government to better understand who is living where; this is important to better help accommodate those living in certain areas with support, or infrastructure.

We ask that, if possible, you use the internet to fill out the census form. A city official will place a paper copy in your mail sometime in mid-to-late September, this paper form can be returned by mail between **October 1st - 7th**. The online version will be available from **September 14th - October 7th**. The paper copy is Japanese only.

There is information online in the following languages: **Japanese, English, Chinese (Simplified, Traditional), Korean, Vietnamese, Spanish, Portuguese**. You can submit your answers in these languages online.

Your responses will be safe and secure, as they are protected with strict security.

Online responses are both ecologically efficient and reduce the risk and potential contact between city officials and citizens.

For questions, please visit:  
<https://www.kokusei2020.go.jp/en/index.html>



# Preparing for typhoon season...



## Protecting yourself during a natural disaster

- 1 Check the map!**  
Use a map to check for the evacuation sites nearest to your home, work, and school. Make an evacuation plan to avoid "dangerous areas", such as areas that are prone to flooding or landslides.
- 2 Make your house safe!**  
During an earthquake, bookshelves falling, or glass breaking can be both dangerous and make evacuation harder. Make your home safer by securing large bookshelves and by making sure nothing can fall on you while you sleep. Check the area around your house for sticks, trees, and other things that can fly around during a typhoon. If possible, try to move things inside to reduce typhoon damage.
- 3 Prepare for power and water outages!**  
Keep water, emergency foods, utensils, tools, and other goods in an easy to access backpack. If you suddenly lose power or water, or need to evacuate it is good to have these items ready to take with you in a hurry.
- 4 Evacuate to stay safe!**  
If you hear an announcement/see an evacuation notice please take the proper steps to keep yourself safe.



※With coronavirus worries, if your home is safe enough to evacuate in please stay home while staying safe. Large numbers of people gathering in one place can also be risky so please use your judgement when evacuating.

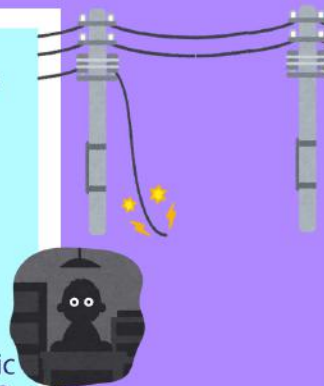
- **Water:** 3 liters, per person, per day (for 3 days)
- Food:** Emergency food (rice packs, canned food, etc.)
- Daily goods:** toilet paper, batteries, gas stove, etc.
- Evacuation goods:** flashlight, sneakers, masks, etc.

## 避難勧告 Hinan Kankoku

### Before you evacuate...

In order to help keep the city relief supply from being used up, please try to bring food, water, blankets, medicines, masks, hand sanitizer, thermometers, and plastic bags when you evacuate. Don't forget to bring your passport, Foreign Residence Card and other important items.

When evacuating, the city will be taking steps to keep everyone safe from the coronavirus. We ask that you wear a mask if you plan to evacuate. They will also check your temperature and symptoms



## Report power outage status with LINE!

If you experience any power outages, or see downed power lines or other issues concerning damaged electrical equipment, please use the Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO) Power Grid chat to report these issues. You can also check the status of power in your area and any electric infrastructure damage in your area. By reporting and sending photos, it can help to more quickly notify TEPCO of any problems. You can access this TEPCO Power Grid chat either through LINE or TEPCO's homepage.

You can sign up using this QR code



## Property checklist before a typhoon:

In order to reduce damages like we had last year from future typhoons, the city would like to ask people to check the following items to prepare their homes ahead of time.

1. Are your sheet iron roofs firmly secured?
2. Are any antennas secured?
3. Are vinyl structures properly weighed down so they don't blow away?
4. Are any older or damaged trees trimmed or taken down to prevent damage?



For natural disaster updates and information please go to:  
<http://www.city.kamogawa.lg.jp/foreigners/index.html>