

【Gifu Prefecture】 COVID-19 Support Measures

Information correct as of April 1st 2021

Support Measures				Eligible Persons	Overview	Contact	
For individuals	For those struggling with living expenses	1	Support Funds for Business Closures in Response to COVID-19	Grant	Workers who were not paid wages (business closure allowance) during business closures	Support funds and grants to those who were not able to receive wages (business closure allowance) during the time in which the small or medium businesses they work at was closed due to the effects of COVID-19.	Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Support Policy Website
		2	Loan System for Living & Welfare Funds	Loan	Households which have lost income due to the impact of COVID-19	Special Emergency Small Amount Loans with an extended deferment period and repayment deadline, and no interest or guarantor.	Support Policy Website
		3	Housing Grant	Grant	Those with reduced opportunities for earning income for reasons beyond their control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eligibility extended to those who are facing a similar circumstance to having lost their job due to the effects of COVID-19, and have lost their home or are at risk of losing their home as a result. In principle, grant is equivalent to three months' rent (with an upper limit), conditional on income and assets. 	Support Policy Website
		4	Prefectural Housing Assistance	Other	① Tenants and tenants-to-be of prefectural housing ② Those forced to leave the housing they were living in	① For those struggling to pay rent for prefectural housing, reduction of rent according to income bracket after loss of income. Furthermore, exemption from requirement for guarantor if a guarantor cannot be found. ② Temporary provision of prefectural housing to those forced to leave their housing because of being made redundant, regardless of income.	Prefectural Housing Supply Corporation ☎ 0584-81-8501
	For those with children	5	Deferment of Loan Repayments for Private High Schools	Other	Students from households in poverty	Deferment on loan repayments for private schools for up to a year after application for households in poverty.	Private School & Youth Affairs Division, Pref. Government ☎ 058-272-8249
		6	Scholarship Grants for Private High Schools	Grant	Households with sudden changes in financial circumstances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholarship grants for households where all of the guardians' incomes for the purposes of prefectural and municipal residence taxes have been reduced to a level which is not taxed as a result of sudden changes in financial circumstances. (Private schools) 50,100 yen - 150,000 yen 	Private School & Youth Affairs Division, Pref. Government ☎ 058-272-8249
		7	Subsidy to Reduce Private High School Etc. Tuition Fees	Subsidy	Children & students attending private elementary schools, junior/senior high schools or certain types of technical schools/other schools	Subsidies for schools which have reduced tuition fees for children/students for whom paying tuition fees is recognized as being difficult due to a dramatic decrease in their guardians' income as caused by worsening economic conditions.	Private School & Youth Affairs Division, Pref. Government ☎ 058-272-8249
		8	Elementary School Closure Support Fund (for those who are contracted and working individually)	Grant	Those who are contracted and working individually (conditions apply)	Support for guardians who have been unable to do work for which they were contracted due to needing to carry out childcare as a result of temporary closure of elementary schools or childcare facilities, etc. Applications for periods of being unable to work in the period from January 1 st 2021 until March 31 st 2021 must be made by June 30 th .	Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Support Policy Website
		9	Prefectural High Schools Tuition Fee Reduction / Exemption	Other	Students from households in poverty	Reductions and exemptions for students whose households are recognized as being in considerable poverty as a result of loss of employment for reasons beyond personal control such as bankruptcy of the employer.	Prefectural Board of Education Support Policy Website
		10	Deferment on Loan Repayments for Public High Schools & Universities	Other	Those who are currently repaying educational loans and struggling economically	Deferment of educational loan repayments for up to a year after application for households in poverty.	Prefectural Board of Education Support Policy Website
		11	Scholarship Grants for Public High Schools	Grant	Households with sudden changes in financial circumstances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scholarship grants for households where all of the guardians' incomes for the purposes of prefectural and municipal residence taxes have been reduced to a level which is not taxed as a result of sudden changes in financial circumstances. (Public) 48,500 yen - 141,700 yen 	Prefectural Board of Education Support Policy Website
		12	Special Household Living Support Grant for Child-rearing Households with Low Income	Grant	① Those receiving child allowance etc. (low-income single parent households) ② Child-rearing households which do not pay residence tax other than those in ① (other low-income child-rearing households)	Special household living support grants to be made to low-income child-rearing households to support the daily lives of people in those situations, as the effects of COVID-19 persist long-term. (Details under consideration)	Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Support Policy Website Call Center ☎ 0120-400-903

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	If you contract COVID-19	14	Injury Allowance	Other	Those who are unable to work for the sake of recovery after contracting COVID-19 (or are suspected of being infected due to symptoms such as fever)	The Injury Allowance is a system that guarantees the income of people who are covered by health insurance and are taking a break from work for recovery from an illness that was not caused as part of their working duties or as part of a disaster. People who are unable to work due to recovering from having contracted COVID-19 are also eligible to apply for payments.	Insurer providing your medical insurance
		15	Public Expenditure to Cover Hospitalization Medical Costs for COVID-19 Patients	Other	Those who contract COVID-19	Public expenditure will cover out-of-pocket medical costs for infected persons (3/4 by national government, 1/4 by prefectural government). (Certain out-of-pocket costs may not be covered, such as if the patient requests a special treatment room or if their income exceeds a certain amount.)	Ministry of Health, Labour & Welfare ☎03-5253-1111 (Switchboard)
	Tax payment exemptions, etc.	16	Extension of Tax Returns/Tax Payment Deadlines (FY2020) 【National Government】	Other	All residents of Japan	Extension of deadline for self-assessed income tax submissions for Fiscal Year 2020 until April 15 th 2021.	National Tax Agency Support Policy Website
		17	Extension of Tax Returns/Tax Payment Deadlines (FY2020) 【Municipal Governments】	Other	All residents of Japan	Extension of deadline for self-assessed income tax submissions for Fiscal Year 2020 until April 15 th 2021.	National Tax Agency Support Policy Website
		18	National Health Insurance and National Pension Premiums Reduction/Exemption	Other	Those whose income has been reduced to below a certain amount as a result of COVID-19	Reductions and exemptions for National Health Insurance and National Pension Premiums.	Your Municipality
		19	Reduction/Exemption of Care Insurance Fees	Other	Those whose income has been reduced below a certain amount as a result of COVID-19	Reductions and exemptions for care insurance fees.	Your Municipality
		20	Occupation Fees Etc. Payment Deadline Extensions	Other	Those for whom payment is difficult	Extension of payment deadlines and an exemption of related late fees for the period for up to a year for those having difficulties paying occupation fees for roads, rivers or river banks etc.	Support Policy Website
		21	Usage Fees Etc. Payment Deadline Extensions	Other	Those for whom payment is difficult	Extension of payment deadlines for those having difficulties paying fees based upon installation, management permission or occupation of facilities in city parks.	Prefectural Civil Engineering Office
	22	Extension of Electricity/Gas/Telephone Services/NHK Fee Bill Payment Deadlines	Other	Those for whom making payment of the fees listed to the left is difficult due to the effects of COVID-19	The national government is requesting leniency from various companies in offering deferments etc. and postponement of cessation of services for those who are in the circumstance of having difficulty paying their electricity, gas, telephone or NHK bills.	The Relevant Company	

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