

Kobe Foreigners Friendship Center
Nonprofit Organization

Identity

While respecting your own identity

Communication

connects with one another through heart-to-heart communication.

Equality

While keeping equality to everyone in mind

Rights

strive for realization of human rights

Life

And sparkling of the life

Objective of KFC

KFC was established in 1997 in order to support foreign residents (immigrants) based on the experience of supporting foreign victims of the Great Hanshin Awaji earthquake in 1995.

Nowadays many foreigners are immigrating to Japan and living with their children.

While meeting or interacting each other at work or school or in community, both Japanese and foreigners have a great opportunity to respect each other and create harmonious activities to live together. However, unfortunately there still exists reality of our society like a cold audience. There are people like uninterested spectators who don't pay much attention to even those foreigners living from generation-to-generation.

History shows pursuit of convenience by majority people has been infringing upon minority counterpart. History also tells us that it is necessary for us to strive for equal society:

1. People from different cultural backgrounds are (should be) cherished
2. Diversity is (should be) respected
3. Differences are (should be) accepted

With all these above always keep in mind, we will be able to enrich our society with

cooperation of many people and protect the rights of human beings.

KFC will make a challenge to remove prejudice or discrimination in Japanese society and aim at achieving the multicultural coexistence society.

Any kind of the following support activities for KFC would be greatly appreciated:

Applications for membership are now being accepted

Regular (Full)member : 1 share ¥ 12,000 /year

Supporting group member 1 share ¥ 10,000 /year

Supporting member 1share ¥ 3,000 /year

Supporting youth member 1share ¥ 2,000/year

*Valid period of membership: One year (April to the following March)

Postal transfer: 00990-4-18945

Bank Accounts:

Minato Bank, Ohashi Branch Saving account 1692060

or

Mitsubishi UFJ Bank, Nagata Branch Saving account 3989561

- Your donation will be also very welcome. (Appreciative.) Contact the headquarters with your contact information such as name, phone number etc.
- Commodity goods (Not used ones) as donation are also very welcome, but first contact headquarters please.
- KFC is more than welcome(happy) to have volunteers for the following activities:
Japanese language learning, Learning assistance for elementary or junior high school students, recreations or chatting at the facilities for the elderly

Award History

2001 International year of Volunteer Square 2001 Cheer -Up Award

2002 The Kobe Newspaper Social Award

2006 Cheer -up Grand Award

Kobe Social Venture Award

2008 The First Co-existence Local Culture Grand Award

2009 Kobe Kiwanis Social Welfare Award

2011 Creating a Universal Society of Hyogo Award

2012 The Fifth Kamenori Foundation Outstanding Performance Award

- CB • CSO Award of Excellence
- 2014 Kinki Rokin Award of Excellence
- 2015 Iue Culture Award
- The Yomiuri Welfare Cultural Award
- The Japan Foundation Global Citizens Award

Activities & Achievements

- 1995 January 17 Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake
- January 30 Set-up Rescue Network for Vietnamese Victims
- April Started Life Recovery Center for foreign residents in Hyogo prefecture(Recovery Center)
- 1997 February 11 Set-up Rescue Network for Vietnamese Victims and Recovery Center were combined into single unit and named after KFC. KFC started to provide the following support:
 1. Life counselling or assistance by multi languages
 2. Japanese Language learning support
 3. Research study about problems which foreign residents face
 4. Proposals to realize needs of minority people
- 1999 Established KOBE HANA NO KAI which aims at creating a comfortable and relaxed place for elderly Korean residents
- 2001 Started Co-sponsored workshop (Joint hosting workshop) with Hyogo Prefecture etc. (At present, it is called workshops to discuss on Multicultural Coexistence Workshop)
- 2002 Launched entrepreneurship support for ethnic small business
- 2003 KOBE HANA NO KAI became integrated with KFC. It became KFC HANA NO KAI
- 2004 August KFC got certified as a specified non-profit cooperation
- 2005 Day Service Center HANA NO KAI was established
- Started studying support for children with foreign roots
- 2009 Multicultural Children Co-education (Moi) was established
- Opening Home-visit facility and home care support facility called “HANA Caring Services”
- 2010 Cooperation Conclusion with Kobe University Cross Cultural Exchange Center (Nagata Study Group was established)
- 2011 Launched to support victims of Great East Japan Earthquake (Focusing on those victims moving to Hyogo Prefecture area and temporary remote

evacuation of Children from Fukushima)

Started a reading club for foreign children living in Kobe area cosponsored by Shin Nagata library

Started interaction meeting with returnees of war –displaced Japanese remained in China

2012 Opening GROUP HOME HANA

2013 Opening HAIZU in the east of Kobe to help children with foreign roots for them learning

Opening Small -scale multifunctional Home Care facility called “HANA”

Launched to support Vietnamese elderly residents

2016 Opening Children Restaurant, "KFC Dining for All "

2017 Started Welfare paid transportation service

2018 Launched the third country resettlement support for Myanmar refugees

2019 Appointed to operate Futaba International Center

Description of KFC Business (Services)

Consultation

-In association with lawyers, KFC provides multilanguage assistance for everyday life issues such as education, welfare, and visa status etc.

Available languages: Vietnamese, Chinese, Mongolian, English etc.

Japanese Language Support

-Provide Japanese language learning to acquire communicative skills and self-expression ability in Japanese. It's been more than two decades (20 years) since KFC started to engaged in regional Japanese language education. KFC has been developing various activities to meet the need of times (such) as follows:

Focusing on

1. Development of teaching materials for living in peace and safety
2. Collaborative learning by all the participants
3. Workshops focusing on our supporters

*Learning Place at Futaba International Center

Support projects for children with foreign roots

KFC offers (them) many programs to establishing their own identity and discovering their comfortable place while focusing on learning support.

1. Multicultural children co-education center (called MOI) business operation

Ex. Learning support, Interaction meeting, preschool children's activities

Career counseling for students and so forth.

2. Reading club for foreign children at elementary school
3. KFC dining service for everyone
4. Office management of Foreign Children Scholarship

Ethnic Culture Support

As Japanese returnees from China and their family get older, it is true that they have to face more difficulties in their daily life. KFC is trying to provide a very comfortable place like an oasis where they can sit back and relax with the following activities:

1. Brush-up Japanese class
2. Interaction events such as Tai Chi, Square dance, Yang ge dance, Healthy exercise etc.
3. Management of KFC Dojyo Space

Support for the third country resettlement Myanmar refugees

In March ,2019 the 9th third country resettlement Myanmar refugees (22 people in total including five families) came to immigrate to Kobe. In order for them to adjust their new environment at work or school comfortably and safely, KFC has provided them with the following services or resources:

1. Local settlement support. Ex. House visit, Hospital accompaniment, Life consultation or advice etc.
2. Japanese language class, Learning assistance for their school subjects
3. Information gathering regarding acceptance of refugees and proposals to the related organizations etc.

Futaba International Center

In June, 2019 Kobe city established FUTABA International Center which any Kobe citizen can use to gather regardless of age or nationality to realize co-existent multicultural society. Kobe International Community Center (KICC) as an extra -body government of Kobe city has been outsourcing the facility operation to KFC.

While assisting foreign residents in a variety of way of activities such as life guidance, opening Japanese classes, KFC can provide Japanese people as well as foreign residents opportunities to join proactively the activities as follow and lead to deepen the understanding of each culture.

1. Life guidance for foreign residents
2. Mutual understanding between Japanese and foreigners
3. Human resources development course(training) for Japanese language volunteer teaching
4. Education projects for international understanding (Dispatching foreign residents to children's house as guest teachers.)

Support for elderly People

KFC provides long term care for elderly people with respect of their minority cultural background and create a cozy and comfortable place for them.

Group Home Hana

Small Scale of Multi-Functional Home Care

Even when long care due to dementia is required or no matter what kind of language barriers or cultural differences exist, KFC appreciates each user's historical backgrounds, and aims at creating a cozy and comfortable place living with full of smiling and peace in mind.

Hana Caring Services

Respect the dignity of all of humanity, and provide services for anyone around the world.

- Home Care Support Facility Operation

Feature: Focusing on sensitivities of cultural backgrounds

- Home-Visit Care Facility Operation

Features: 1. Availability of multilingual staffs
2. Provide comfortable services regardless of different cultural backgrounds

Day Service Center Hana no Kai

Hana no Kai aims at a day care facility where anyone is welcome to express oneself freely.

Features: 1. Anyone in need of nursing care required help 1 level to long term level 5 or with dementia will be taken care politely and carefully
2. Provide recreational activities to meet the diverse needs such as playing cards (floral playing cards), domino, puzzles, karaoke
3. Hold many fun events such as birthday's party, cherry-blossom viewing, summer festival, Christmas party, field trip with lunch etc.

Dispatch service of communication supporters

This is a joint project through collaboration with Kobe city.

- Features:
1. Welcome to consult us anything about long term care insurance.
 2. No dispatching fee Maximum (Four times per year. Each session is about one hour)
 3. Available languages as of 2019: Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean

Welfare-Paid transportation

- For those certified persons with physical disability or those in need of nursing care
- According to the needs such as shopping or doctor's visit, transportation is provided

Proposals to the related organizations

Aim: Create a society where human rights of minority are protected

- Proposals to make appeals to the related organizations which make policies to protect the human rights of foreigners (immigrants)
- Proposals with regards to policies toward realizing co-existing society
- Promoting cooperative projects with administrative agencies etc.

Research Study

- Research and Study about history, actual status, actual life situation and culture of foreigners (immigrants)
- Publication on minority research book etc.
- Holding symposium , report session, workshop

Publication

- 1999 North America Study Tour Report I "It was good to have friends in the U.S.A."
- 2000 North America Study Tour Report II " It was good to have friends in the U.S.A."
Teaching materials for Vietnamese residents in Japan
- 2001 FM Teaching materials for Brazilian residents in Japan
Study about Minority foreign residents I: Mother tongue education for Japanese South American children
- 2003 Japanese Language teaching materials for Spanish speaking people
Medical issues (situation) for minority foreigners living in Japan II:
Care guide book for elderly Koreans living in Japan
Workshop report about regional internationalization of the year 2002
- 2004 Workshop report about regional internationalization of the year 2003
- 2005 Study about minority foreign residents III: Right of subsistence (Living rights for

minority elderly foreign residents)

- 2007 10th Anniversary issue of KFC magazine "KAZE" (Wind)
- 2012 Living Japanese Language Text entitled "Nadeshiko Japanese "
- 2013 Living Japanese Language Text entitled "Nadeshiko Japanese II "
Mother-child handbook in Vietnamese (Kobe version)
- 2014 Report about KFC multicultural coexistence support projects
- 2015 Providing more opportunities to expose children to read books
(Brochures to promote to read books for foreign children)
- Report about KFC Great East Japan Earthquake support activities
- 2017 20th Anniversary issue of KFC magazine "TSUCHI "(Soil)
Report of empowerment projects by foreign children and youth
Practice fun Kanji exercise book with learning brush stroke.

Specified Non-profit cooperation

Kobe Foreigners Friendship Center(KFC)

KFC Cooperate Headquarters

Address: 〒653-0038 Kobe-shi, Nagata-ku, Wakamatsu-cho 4-4-10 Asutakuesuta Kitatou
502

Phone 078-612-2402

Fax 078-612-3052

Email kfc@social-b.net

Opening hours Weekdays 08 : 30 to 17:30

Multicultural children Co-education Center

多文化子ども共育センター (Moi)

Address: 〒653-0038 Kobe-shi, Nagata-ku, Wakamatsu-cho 4-4-10 Asutakuesuta Kitatou
501

Hana Nursing Care Service Designated business number:2870601909

Welfare paid transport Registered number: 神兵福 129

Address: 〒653-0038 Kobe-shi, Nagata-ku, Wakamatsu-cho 4-4-10 Asutakuesuta Kitatou
502

Phone 078-646-8670 (Home Care)

Phone 078-646-8671 (In-home Care Service)

Phone 078-612-2402 (Welfare-Paid transport)

Fax 078-612-3052
Email qqeu6ae9k@silk.ocn.ne.jp
Opening hours: Weekdays 08 : 30 to 17:30

Day Service Center Hana no Kai

Designated business number:2870601172

Address: 〒 653-0038 Kobe-shi, Nagata-ku, Wakamatsu-cho 4-2-5 Asutapia Shinnagata
Esuta Garden 2nd floor

Phone/Fax 078-612-2408

E-mail bamboo@social-b.net

Opening hours: Weekdays 08 : 30 to 17:30

Group Home Hana Designated business number:2890600121

Address: 〒653-0031 Kobe-shi, Nagata-ku, Nishi Shiriike cho 2-4-28

Phone078-798-5475 (Group Home Hana)

078-798-5474(Small -scale Multifunctional Home Care Center)

Fax 078-798-5476

Email ghhana@titan.ocn.ne.jp

Opening hours: Open all-year-round

Futaba International Center

Futaba Gakusha (Kobe Local Human Resources support Center)

Address: 〒 653-0042 Kobe-shi, Nagata-ku, Futaba-cho 7-1-18

Phone 078-747-0280 Fax: 078-747-0290 Email: fic @tbz.t-com.ne.jp

Opening hours : Wed. Thur. Fri. Sat. 10 : 00 to 20:00

Tue. Sun. Holidays:10 :00 to 17:00

Closed: Mondays and year end (Dec.ember28 to January 5)

If Monday is a public holiday, it will be open and the following Tuesday will be closed.