



**Working to Make Shinagawa a City where People
Love to Live Longer**

**Let's Join a Town Association or
Neighborhood Association!**



Town associations (*chokai*) and neighborhood associations (*jichikai*) are independent organizations made up of residents of the community in the neighborhood area.

Through various activities, residents work together to make their neighborhood area safe, comfortable, and rich in interpersonal ties.

These organizations are financed by membership fees (in accordance to the rules of each organization), donations from supporters, subsidies from Shinagawa City, and other funds.

Activities Conducted by Town Associations and Neighborhood Associations

Keeping the Community Safe

Crime prevention and fire prevention patrols as well as disaster preparedness drills (*bosai kunren*) are conducted. Necessary equipment is kept in case of a disaster.

Protecting the Environment of the Community

People conduct recycling activities (the collection of recyclable resources) and cleanup activities in the community.

Keeping an Eye on the Children of the Community

People participate in the 8 & 3 Program in which adults keep an eye on children at around 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. as they commute to/from school as well as conduct activities to encourage the wholesome development of children, such as a family recreation program.

Creating Opportunities to Make Friends in the Community

Events in which families can participate together and the Shinagawa Resident's Festival (*Kumin Matsuri*) are organized.

Ensuring that the Elderly Can Live with Peace of Mind

People participate in the Fureai Support Program in which people in the community help each other in various ways and conduct such activities as accompanying neighbors who are unable to evacuate by themselves to evacuation sites in a disaster.

Relaying Information Quickly within the Community

By using bulletin boards of the associations and the City Office and passing out *kairanban* (notices for circulation) among neighbors, important information is made known as soon as possible.

Contributing to Society in a Wide Variety of Ways

Social welfare programs, such as Japan Red Cross donations and Community Chest campaigns, are conducted.

Town Association/Neighborhood Association Membership Application
町会・自治会加入申込書

Date: (Year) (Month) (Day)
年 月 日

To: The Town Association/Neighborhood Association Chairperson
町会・自治会 会長 様

I would like to apply for membership in your town association/neighborhood association.
貴町会・自治会への加入を申し込みます。

Applicant's Address:

申込者 住所 _____

Name:

氏名 _____

Tel:

電話 _____

To join your local town association/neighborhood association, please use this application form.

町会・自治会への加入は、この町会・自治会加入申込書をご利用いただき、近隣の町会・自治会の担当へお申し込みください。

Name of Town Association/Neighborhood Association:

町会・自治会名 _____

Person in Charge:

担当 _____

Tel:

電話: _____

Note: If you do not know who is in charge of membership applications for your local town association/neighborhood association, please call the number below.

Phone calls are answered in Japanese only, so be sure to have someone who can speak Japanese with you when you call if you do not speak Japanese yourself.

※ なお、町会・自治会の担当がわからない場合は、下記にお問い合わせください。

また、お問い合わせの際は日本語が話せる方を通してお願いします。

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