

Who Can Receive the Child Allowance?

The Childhood Allowance is available to registered residents of the city of Kanazawa who are raising children that have **not yet finished high school (anyone born on or after April 2, 2008)**.

- **If both parents have an income, the person who is the primary earner (the person with the highest continuous income) will be the claimant.**

Please apply for Child Allowance at the municipality where the primary earner is registered.

Note: Civil servants cannot apply to Kanazawa City. Please apply to your place of work.

*Even if you are a member of the National Public Service Mutual Aid, you may be eligible for payment from Kanazawa City. If you are unsure, please contact your workplace or your local Childcare Support Section (e.g., Kanazawa University, Japan Post (Yucho), etc.).

- If the child is being raised by a person other than their parents, the person raising the child may file a claim. (e.g., the owner of a foster home or other facility, foster parent, guardian of a minor, person designated by the parents, or other caregiver)
- Those registered as a resident of Kanazawa City due to a temporary job transfer may also file a claim.
- Only children residing in Japan are eligible. (If the child is studying abroad, a certificate of proof is required.)

Monthly Child Allowance Amount

Qualifying Group		Monthly Stipend
Children under 3 (Until the month they turn 3)	1 st /2 nd child	15,000 yen
	3 rd child (※)	30,000 yen
Aged 3 until the end of high school (Until the FY they turn 18)	1 st /2 nd child	10,000 yen
	3 rd child (※)	30,000 yen
Children of college age (Until the FY they turn 22)		No allowance (Used for calculation of 3 rd child)

- ※ If a child of college age (April 2, 2004 - April 1, 2008) is under the care of a parent or guardian who is responsible for their living expenses, they will be counted in the “number of children.” If the “number of children” is three or more, the monthly allowance for the third and subsequent children will be 30,000 yen.

In order to count a child of college age as eligible, the applicant is required to submit a “Letter of Confirmation Regarding Equivalent Custody and Burden of Living Expenses” (hereinafter referred to as a “Letter of Confirmation”).

Child Allowance Bank Transfers

Date of Transfer	April 15th	June 15th
Target Months	February-March	April-May
Date of Transfer	August 15th	October 15th
Target Months	June-July	August-September
Date of Transfer	December 15th	February 15th
Target Months	October-November	December-January

- ※ If the 15th is a national holiday, the transfer will take place on the preceding business day.
- ※ No notification of the transfer will be given, so please confirm the transfer via your bankbook.
- ※ If you move out of Kanazawa, you will receive the allowance up through the month of your intended

move-out date (usually, it will be transferred the following month).

— For Inquiries —

Kanazawa City Hall, Child-Rearing Support Section, Child Allowance Supervisor
1-1-1 Hirosaka, Kanazawa 〒920-8577
TEL 076-220-2285 FAX 076-220-2360

Necessary Items for Application

1. Child Allowance Authorization Application Form (available at the offices above and on the city's website)
2. Identification Documents
 - ① For the applicant (the parent with the continually highest income)
 - The applicant's identification documents:
A document with photo identification (My Number Card, driver's license, passport, etc.) OR
Two documents without photo identification (health insurance card, pension handbook, employee identification card, Mother and Child Health Handbook, etc.)
 - ② For a proxy of the applicant
 - Document verifying your authority to be a proxy (authorization letter or the applicant's health insurance card)
 - The **proxy's** identification documents:
A document with photo identification (My Number Card, driver's license, passport, etc.) OR
Two documents without photo identification (health insurance card, pension handbook, employee identification card, Mother and Child Health Handbook, etc.)
3. **Applicant's** Health Insurance Card or Pension Subscription Certificate (not required for members of the national pension system)

For Those with a My Number (Myna) Health Insurance Card:

- Insurance Eligibility Information can be downloaded from the Myna Portal.
- Notice of Insurance Eligibility information is issued by each insurer.

For Those without My Number (Myna) as a Health Insurance Card:

- Notice of Insurance Eligibility information is issued by each insurer.

※The spouse's insurance card and the child's insurance card cannot be accepted.

4. Document showing the applicant's and the spouse's My Number (e.g., My Number Card, notification card, My Number notice etc.)
5. **Applicant's** personal bank (savings) account bankbook or a document with the account number※Online banks can also be registered.
6. Proof of Custody While Living Separately (in case the resident registration areas of the applicant and child(ren) are not the same)

※You will also need to provide your child's My Number.

※For those with children of college age, Proof of Custody While Living Separately is not necessary.

7. Letter of Confirmation Regarding Equivalent Custody and Burden of Living Expenses (if claimant is raising a child of college age).

※You will also need to provide your child's My Number.

※ Even if the child is employed, married, or living separately from their parents, they are counted if their parent or guardian has custody of the child and is responsible for living expenses.

※ If you have children in the college age bracket, you do not need to submit the application for the third

child addition if you only have 2 children. **If you have a 3rd (or more) child at a later date, you will be required to submit a “Request for Certification of Amount Revision” and a “Confirmation Letter” for any children in the college age bracket.**

※If the birth registration is submitted late, please apply for Child Allowance first.

※If the beneficiary’s birth notification is submitted outside Kanazawa but the certificate of residence of the main earner is in Kanazawa, the application must be submitted to Kanazawa City.

Income

Allowance for the period from April to July 2026 will be examined based on income for FY 2025 (earned during 2024),

Allowances for August 2026 and thereafter will be examined based on income for FY 2026 (earned during 2025).

※ Although the income limit was removed as of the December 2024 payment (for October and November), the primary earner’s income will still be considered.

Income (Income Considered for Child Allowance)

Income is defined as “income minus necessary expenses” for those who are self-employed, and the “amount after employment income deduction” shown on the withholding tax slip for those who receive a salary. (*Not the total salary.) In addition, some incomes, such as capital gains and forestry income, are combined with the above-mentioned incomes. For more information, please visit Kanazawa City’s website.

Allowance Re-evaluation at the Start of the Fiscal Year

Every June, custody status and income information are re-evaluated to verify eligibility for the childhood allowance. Those who are judged to no longer be eligible for the allowance or whose monthly allowance amount will be changed due to a change in their classification will be notified. **As of the 2022 fiscal year, you are no longer required to submit a State of Affairs Notice for the purposes of re-evaluation, unless you fall into one of the following categories:**

- You need to receive payment in a municipality other than the one you are registered to due to extenuating circumstances such as domestic violence.
- You are living apart from your spouse because you are in the middle of divorce proceedings.
- You are living apart from your child.
- Your spouse’s Certificate of Residence belongs to a different municipality
- Those who have children of college age who are eligible for the third child addition but do not attend college, etc.

You will be notified by post if you need to submit a State of Affairs Notice.

Please be sure to submit it or you will no longer be eligible to receive benefits from the August allowance (covering June and July) onward.

Inquiries

Office	Address	Phone	Hours
City Hall Child-Rearing Support Section	1-1-1 Hirosaka	220-2285	9:00-17:45
City Hall Citizens’ Section		220-2241	
Morimoto Branch Office	33 Minami-morimoto-machi Nu	258-1130	8:30-17:15

Kanaiwa Branch Office	3-14 Kanaiwadori-machi	267-0001
Saigawa Branch Office	6-67-1 Sue-machi	229-0001
Yasuhara Branch Office	1067 Fukumasu-machi-kita	249-2001
Nuka Branch Office	3-1-1 Nukadani	298-0045
Oshino Branch Office	2-464 Yokaichi	241-2559
Asakawa Branch Office	2-3 Tagami No Sato	221-3344
Shinkanda Branch Office	4-3-10 Shinkanda (Kanazawa Shinkanda Government Building 1F)	291-6266
Minato Branch Office	3-5-9 Minato	239-2211
Hon-machi Branch Office	1-5-3 Hon-machi (Rifare 2F)	260-0365
Omicho Branch Office	88 Aokusa-machi (Omicho Market Hall 4F)	260-0250
Ekinishi Branch Office	3-4-25 Sainen (Kanazawa Healthcare Center)	234-5141
Ekinishi Health and Welfare Center		234-5103
Izumino Branch Office	1-2-22 Izumigaoka	242-8552
Izumino Health and Welfare Center		242-1131
Motomachi Branch Office	1-12-12 Moto-machi	252-0257
Motomachi Health and Welfare Center		251-0200

Child Allowance Confirmation Letter Submission
(End of the Fiscal Year Custody Status Confirmation)

If you have a child of college age who falls under category ① or ② below, you must complete the required procedures to continue receiving the allowance calculation for multiple children from April onward.

- ① Households with a child in junior college, vocational school, or a similar institution who is expected to graduate before the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 22.
- ② Households with a child currently in their third year of high school who will start college as a first-year student in the next academic year which may impact the third-child allowance calculation.

Households who fall either category will be notified.

If documents are submitted by the deadline, the benefit amount will be calculated to include the third-child allowance from April onward.

※If submitted beyond the deadline, the third-child calculation will not be applied to April's child allowance and instead be calculated from the month following the completed application. Therefore, please be sure to submit your application by the deadline.

Additional Paperwork in Case of Changes

If any of the following apply to you as a recipient of the childhood allowance, please fill out the appropriate paperwork promptly. **If you do not apply within 15 days from the day after the change occurs (birth, withdrawing from a facility, intended move-out date, etc.), you may not receive the allowance for certain months.**

※ If you wish to change the beneficiary due to divorce or other circumstances, please contact the Child-Rearing Support Section.

Change in Situation	Required Paperwork
If the number of children in your household increases	Revision of Disbursement Amount Application Form ※Please submit your application within 15 days from the day after the child's birth. ※You will also need the health insurance card of the applicant.
If you no longer live in the same location as your child(ren) (only if you have custody of them)	Proof of Custody While Living Separately ※ You will also need to provide your child's My Number Card.
If you lose custody of your child(ren)	Cessation of Reason for Disbursement Notice or Revision of Disbursement Amount Application Form
If your child(ren) enter(s) a Child Welfare Facility	Cessation of Reason for Disbursement Notice or Revision of Disbursement Amount Application Form
If your child(ren) leave(s) a Child Welfare Facility	Authorization Application Form or Revision of Disbursement Amount Application Form
If you become a public servant	Cessation of Reason for Disbursement Notice ※Submit a new application from your workplace.
If you retire as a public servant	Authorization Application Form ※Please submit within 15 days from the day after retirement.
If your My Number or someone else's My Number (e.g., spouse or child's) is registered, changed, or removed.	My Number Change Notice
If your bank transfer account information changes or the account holder's name changes, (e.g., because of marriage).	Application for Change in Bank Transfer Disbursement Information Form (Only the applicant's name can be changed.)
If you move outside the city of Kanazawa	Submit a new application to your new municipality. ※Please submit within 15 days from the day after your intended move-out date from Kanazawa.
You are a recipient with a child under 3 and your pension has changed	Revision Notice
When the custody status of a college-age child whose parent/guardian is eligible for the calculation of the third child addition has changed.	The required documents differ depending on the details of the change, so please contact the Child-Rearing Support Section.

※If you wish to change the beneficiary due to divorce or other circumstances, please contact the Child-Rearing Support Section.

※ If you move within the city of Kanazawa, you are not required to fill additional paperwork (unless if you will be living separately from your child(ren)).