



Minami no Kaze

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You can find lifestyle information in foreign languages!

The Minami Ward websites has redesigned “Minami Ward Office Guide For Foreign Residents”. You can access various information from the ward office, such as procedures at the ward office, childcare, taxes, insurance, international exchange, accidents, disasters, etc., through machine translation(131 languages). Please select your preferred language to use the service.

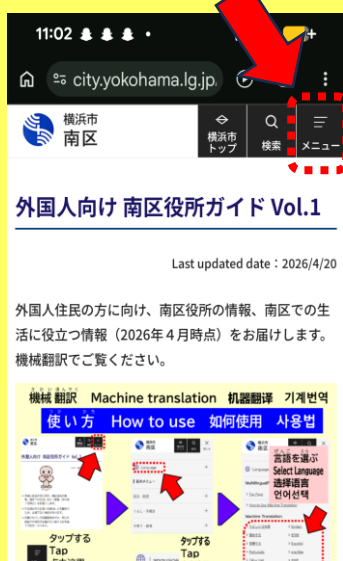


► How to view in multiple languages on your smartphone

① Read the QR code



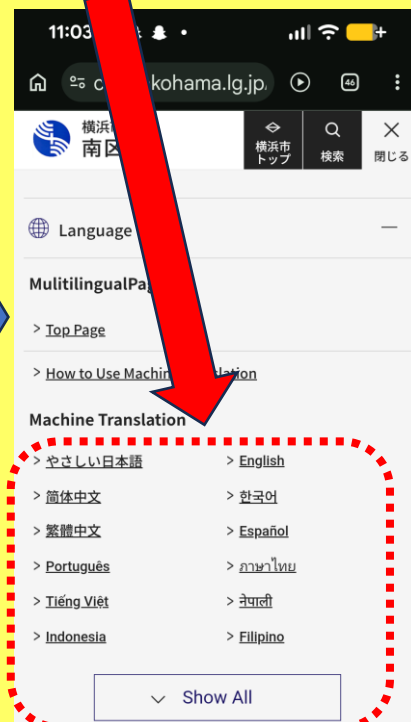
② Tap the “Menu”



③ Tap the “Language”



④ Choose a language



Note :

- Due to machine translation, the translation may not be accurate in languages other than Japanese.
- Some information is not available in foreign languages.

♡ Our Minami Lounge is also featured. Please take a look!

Is Your Cycling Style Safe?

The rules for cycling were revised on April 1st of this year. The traffic violation system, commonly known as the “blue ticket”, applies to cyclists aged 16 and over. Let's review the proper way to ride a bicycle.



~~~ Basic rules of bicycle traffic ~~~

Bicycles are a type of vehicle.

- 🚲 As a general, you must ride on the left side of the road. Sidewalks are an exception, however be aware that pedestrians have priority.
- 🚲 You must obey traffic signals and “STOP” signs.
- 🚲 The lights must be turned on at night.
- 🚲 Riding under the influence of alcohol and cycling while holding an umbrella are prohibited.
- 🚲 Wearing a helmet is recommended.



► Bicycle insurance is mandatory when riding a bicycle.

⇒ For more details, please refer to “Yokohama Cycle Rulebook.”

If you violate the rules, you may receive a traffic “blue ticket” for cycling. For example...

- ✗ Using your phone while riding
- ✗ Riding on the sidewalk without slowing down
- ✗ Riding side-by-side



We will be exhibiting "Minami Ward Kids' Day"

During the summer holidays, Minami Ward will host "Minami Ward Kids' Day" for children and their parents. Minami Lounge will also be participating, so please come and visit us!

Pinback badges and shrink plastic crafts

(10:00~12:30)

You can make custom-made badges and shrink plastic crafts with your name in various languages.



Fans

(12:30~15:00)

You can enjoy coloring famous things and patterns from various countries, and then complete your fan.



※The contents of the booth may change depending on the circumstances.

Date Time **August 1st (Saturday)**
10:00~15:00

For Everyone is welcome.

Contact Minami Citizens Activity & Multicultural Lounge
TEL 0 4 5 - 2 3 2 - 9 5 4 4

Place **Minami Ward General Government Building, 7th Floor**

How to apply Not necessary



New Staff Members!!

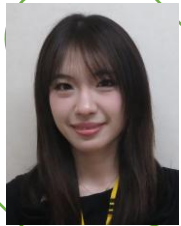
I am Huang Haijing. I am a community coordinator. I can assist with activities to create harmonious communities. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to visit Minami Lounge.



I am Kitagawa Maki, a Japanese staff member. Making use of my experiences as a local language volunteer, I would like to promote communities that are connected to Minami Ward, and Japanese language activities. My hobby is "Japanese".



I am Huang Mengyo. I am a Chinese staff member. I came to Japan from Sichuan Province, China, when I was in the fifth grade of elementary school. I would like to work hard to interact with foreigners and contribute to international exchange. I look forward to seeing you at Minami Lounge.



I am Matsumoto Yoshiko. I am an English staff member. I would like to listen to people who are in trouble and help them. My hobbies are traveling, skiing, watching baseball and baking bread.



I am Chen Yuhong. I am a Chinese staff member. I came to Japan when I was in the fifth grade of elementary school. Now I am a first-year university student. I will support your activities using both Japanese and Chinese. I look forward to seeing you in the lounge. Please feel free to say hello. I'm waiting for you here!



Yoroshiku onegaishimasu!!

Minami Citizens Activity & Multicultural Lounge (Minami Lounge)

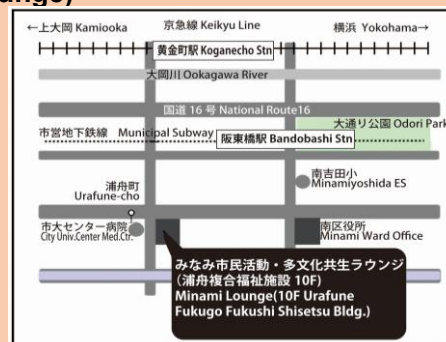
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Minami-ku, Yokohama 232-0024

① **Consultation Desk (Free of charge)** : Mon.-Sun. 9:00-17:00
(Closed on : Every 3rd Mondays · Dec.29 to Jan.3 · National holidays)
Tel. : (Japanese) 045-232-9544
(Foreign Language) 045-242-0888
※Please check below for available languages

② **Free of charge consultation** :
Law (2nd Thurs), Visa (3rd Thurs) and Education (4th Thurs)
※ 13:30-, 14:30- (Appointment needed. Tel.045-242-0888)

[Available languages and days]

Days	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
language	Japanese Chinese English	Japanese Chinese English	Japanese Chinese English	Japanese Chinese English Thai	Japanese Chinese English Vietnamese	Japanese Chinese	Japanese Chinese



Minami Lounge URL
<https://tabunka.minamilounge.com/>

◀ Direction Map