

2022

Welfare Grants

■ Activity Grant ■

Application Guidelines

〈 Grant Amount 〉

Each grant will be between **200,000-3,000,000yen.**

The amount of the grant will be determined by the selection committee after review and examination of the plans and other materials submitted.

〈 Application Period and Method 〉

9:00am Wednesday, **September 1, 2021**

to 5:00pm Sunday, **October 31, 2021**

*Only online applications will be accepted


Applications will only be accepted through the Foundation's website.

Please visit the following website and fill out the application form:

<https://www.hashimotozaidan.or.jp/scholarship/>

〈 Grant Purpose 〉

The aim of our foundation is to contribute widely to the improvement of social welfare by supporting those who need physical and social assistance in Okayama Prefecture. We hope to realize a society in which people facing various difficulties are not excluded; instead, we hope that they can live the life they want together with others within an inclusive local community. We are looking forward to receiving submissions from applicants who agree with this aim, and who have an intention to carry out new or ongoing projects with a clear purpose and plan to realize these aims.

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1 Special Categories: 1 "Consultation Support and Social Work Activities" 2 "Support Activities for Immigrants (e.g., temporary, long-term)"

Special Category 1: "Consultation Support and Social Work Activities"

In order to support those who fall through the cracks of the system, it is necessary to actively engage and provide direct individual counselling/consultation and other detailed support. However, in Japan, this kind of social work initiatives are not yet considered important.

Through this grant, we hope to support the connection between persons facing difficult situations and social work consultations; in doing so, we hope to address the social structures which give rise to the difficult situations in the first place.

- ▶ **People your organization supports** / People who are in need of some kind of support
- ▶ **Eligible Activities** / Counseling, individual counseling, outreach and other activities for the above-mentioned people
- ▶ **Eligible Actors** / Any type of organization is eligible

Counselling Support (Listening to concerns, reducing anxiety)	Social Work Consultation Support (Connecting people to appropriate services by providing information)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ① Training system to acquire skills is in place ② Have provided counselling to people (with results) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ① Training system to acquire skills is in place ② Have provided counselling to people (with results) ③ Have established connections with support groups and experts ④ Have knowledge and information about social resources such as public systems

- ▶ **Eligible expenses** / The main expenses are the costs of the secretariat, honorarium for counselling/consultation services, training, and publicity necessary to maintain the above activities(in principle, the same as for general grants)

※ In addition, activities to promote social work, networking, etc. are also eligible
For more information, please contact us.

Special Category 2: Support Activities for Immigrants (e.g., temporary, long-term) in Okayama

As a society with a declining population, one of the most important topics is the need to increase the number of immigrants (e.g., long-term/permanent residents) in order to maintain economic growth and the social security and welfare system. Importantly, we expect that the acceptance of immigrants will foster diversity in society, leading to the inclusion of various minorities and social revitalization. With this in mind, the Foundation believes that it is necessary to develop a society that welcomes people from abroad as "neighbors" rather than mere "workers". Through this Special Category grant, we hope to support your activities to make Okayama a better place for immigrants (of all kinds) to live.



- ▶ **People your organization supports** / Immigrants living in Okayama (includes any categories of foreign residents)
- ▶ **Eligible Activities** / Japanese language support (i.e., classes, interpretation), exchange with the local community, and various other activities to support the daily lives of the above people.
- ▶ **Eligible entities** / Same as for general grants
- ▶ **Eligible expenses** / Same as for general grants

2 General Category: "Social welfare activities (not eligible for public support)"

► Eligible projects and activities

Projects and activities aimed at realizing an inclusive society so that people facing difficulties can be supported to live in comfort in the local community. The results of the projects and activities must contribute to the public interest, and not be receiving or eligible for public support (funding).

Specifically, the following "Eligible Activities" for the following "People You Support" are eligible for the grant. (*Only one application per organization will be accepted).

<div style="text-align: center;">  People you support </div> Those who need some kind of support	<div style="text-align: center;">  Eligible Activities </div> Support not covered by public support
Disabled people (including children) and their families People (including children) with medical conditions and their families People in need People who have been released from prison Children in social care People who have socially withdrawn from society (Hikikomori) Children who do not attend school Survivors of domestic violence and abuse Socially or geographically isolated households People with other needs	<p>Projects and activities related to emergency and temporary shelter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● operation of private shelters ● projects and activities to look after people ● living support ● others <p>Projects and activities related to self-reliance support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● social participation and assistance finding employment ● learning support ● support finding housing ● promotion of conservatorship ● others <p>Projects and activities related to local community coexistence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● network building ● creation and maintenance of community well-being ● others <p>Projects and activities to support a better quality of life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● promotion of sports, arts, and culture ● others

► Eligible projects and activities

Eligible projects and activities can be carried out by individuals or organizations (of any type). Newly established ones are also eligible. Projects and activities that can be expected to grow through collaboration with other organizations, and those that can help secure future financial resources for the organization are particularly welcome.

The following is common to both special and general grants:

※Activities and projects that are not eligible:

- Projects and activities receiving or that are eligible for public support (e.g., medical insurance, nursing care insurance, welfare services for the disabled)
- Projects and activities for profit-making purposes
- Hobby groups and activities for the purpose of personal enjoyment
- Business and activities in which the main part of planning and management is outsourced
- Activities outside Okayama Prefecture

Funding Period

The period of funding shall be from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023

▶Expenses to be covered by the grant

Covered by the grant:	Expenses necessary to projects and activities:
Supplies and consumables	Equipment and supplies
Printing and binding costs	Copying and printing costs for posters, brochures, etc.
Temporary employment	Expenses for part-time work directly necessary for the implementation of the project (payments to individuals)
Honorarium	Honorarium for outside experts such as lecturers and interpreters (payment to individuals)
Commissions	Expenses for contracting out research and studies to other parties (payments to companies)
Travel and transportation	Travel and transport expenses
Communication	Postage, courier costs, etc.
Conference	Venue hire, venue set-up costs, tea and snacks for committee meetings, etc.
Advertising	Advertisement of the project in newspapers, magazines, web, etc.
Facility renovation	Cost of renovation of facilities
Project management	Office staff costs, rent and other expenses
Miscellaneous	Small expenses that cannot be included in the above categories

※The following are not eligible for funding:

- Repayment of loans
- Expenses for dinners, meetings, etc.
- Other expenses not directly related to the project or activity for which the application is made.

Method of selection and announcement

The selection will be made by a selection committee, which will make a decision after March 2022. The selection process may involve the submission of additional materials, interviews, attendance at selection committee meetings and presentations, if necessary. The winners will be announced on the Foundation's website. Please note that the name of the grant recipient, the project and the amount of the grant will be made public.

■ Cancellation of the grant

- ① In the following cases, the grant may be cancelled and a refund may be requested:
 - In the event that the grant is used for a project other than the one for which it was awarded.
 - If it is found that the content of the application is false.
 - If we are unable to contact you for a long period of time and cannot confirm the status of the activity.
 - If a valid report is not submitted within half a year after the end of the grant period.
- ② In any other cases where the secretariat deems it appropriate to cancel the grant.

■ Other precautions

- ① Applications will not be accepted from criminal groups and/or individuals or groups that are deemed to be related to criminal activities.
- ② In the event that the grant cannot be used within the project implementation period, the remaining funds will be refunded to the Foundation.
- ③ We will not accept any changes in the purchase of goods or equipment or in the construction of facilities after the grant has been awarded, which will lead to a change in the project itself.
- ④ We may ask the grant recipient organization to participate in a debriefing session hosted by the Foundation.
- ⑤ The personal information provided in the application form will be used only for the selection process of this project and will not be used for any other purpose.
- ⑥ Documents submitted at the time of application will not be returned.
- ⑦ The Foundation will not respond to any inquiries regarding the selection results.



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