

## ● Nagoya International Center Services - Visit or call the NIC 3F for more information - 052-581-0100



The **Nagoya International Center** is a 7-minute walk or a 2-minute subway ride from Nagoya Station. Kokusai Center Station, on the Sakura-dori Subway Line, is linked to the Nagoya International Center at the basement level.

- The Nagoya International Center Library and Information Counter are open 9:00 – 19:00.
- Closed on Mondays, **December 29 - January 3**, & the **second Sundays of August & February**.
- Paid car-parking is also available at the Center and in the immediate vicinity.

### ★ Information Counter 情報カウンター

Information service for foreign residents on daily life and sightseeing in Japan available in **7** foreign languages. Japanese & English are available Tuesday to Sunday (9:00 – 19:00). No reservation required. See page 3 for service times in other languages.

■Tel: 052-581-0100 ■E-mail: info@nic-nagoya.or.jp

### ★ Free Personal Counseling 外国人こころの相談

Native English-speaking counselors are available on Sunday by appointment only to provide support to foreign residents who have difficulties with their lives in Japan. To arrange a counseling session call the NIC 3F Info Counter at 052-581-0100.

### ★ Free Legal Consultations 外国人無料法律相談

Free Legal Consultations with a certified lawyer available on Saturdays 10:00 - 12:30 by reservation only. To make an appointment, please leave your name & phone number on the answering machine at **052-581-6111**. A counseling support staff member will call you back at a later date to schedule an appointment with you.

### ★ Free Civic Advisory Service for Foreign Residents 外国人行政相談

Information and advice in English for foreign residents on anything related to government administration such as labor laws, immigration, divorce and taxation. Phone or visit us **Tuesday to Sunday** (10:00 – 12:00 & 13:00 – 17:00). No reservation required. See page 3 for service times in other languages. Tel: 052-581-0100

### ★ Free Counseling Service for Refugees and Asylum Seekers 難民相談

The Kobe-based Refugee Assistance Headquarters (RHQ) provides a confidential counseling service for refugees, convention refugees, their family members, and asylum seekers in English and Japanese every Thursday (10:00 - 16:00) at the NIC 3F Info Counter. Reservations are required. For more information call RHQ at 078-361-1700. (Website: www.rhq.gr.jp/english).

### ★ The NIC Library ライブラリー

Over 10,000 English language books including travel guides, popular manga, non-fiction, fiction, children's books, and Japanese study guides. Borrow up to 6 books for a period of 14 days! Membership is free and open to everyone resident in the Chubu Area. A form of ID that shows your current address is required. Children can also get cards!

## - The NIC Information Counter -

### A Valuable Resource for Foreigners and Japanese Living In & Around Nagoya



Have you been to the NIC Information Counter lately? Do you know about how we can help you? The NIC Information Counter, located on Level 3 of the Nagoya International Center Building, has a wealth of information and has been assisting residents and tourists since 1984 in several languages.

From simple living matters such as garbage collection or visitor information, to legal and immigration guidance, we are here to help you.

#### **i** Local Directories

- Doctors, dentists, maternity clinics, hospitals, etc.
- Japanese language schools
- Tourist information, city guides and other resources
- Universities in Aichi Prefecture

#### **i** Other Information

- Disaster preparedness guides and resources
- Local transport network information
- Cultural classes and groups
- Information on municipal services and everyday living matters
- Information on various administrative organs (tax, social welfare etc)



You can also pick up the latest flyers and information, as well as the Nagoya Calendar (English and Portuguese) from our pamphlet box area. Two computer terminals are also available\* for internet access, scanning, and printing of documents (\*charges apply).



Stay up-to-date and visit us when you have any questions about living in Nagoya. Also be sure to check out our website [www.nic-nagoya.or.jp](http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp) or follow and like us on Twitter and Facebook or sign up to our e-mail magazine via our website to receive all the latest event and community information.

### Staying Up-to-Date with the NIC

Social Media	Radio Broadcasts	NIC Disaster Information
Follow us @the_nic  Find us on Facebook	<b>ZIP-FM 77.8</b> Sat. 6:17am in English & Portuguese Sun. 6:17am in Chinese & Korean	Should a disaster occur in Nagoya City, check the <b>Disaster Information</b> section on the top page of the NIC website for information in Japanese, English, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Filipino and easy Japanese. Bookmark <a href="http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp/saigai/">http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp/saigai/</a> for a direct link to updates.

## ●Children's Story Book Time

外国語で楽しむ絵本の会

Listen to foreign volunteers in the NIC's 3F Library as they read story books in their own languages from the library's vast collection of international children's books.

Participation is free, and no reservations are required!

### ★Upcoming Schedule

Sun. **14 Jan.** (14:00 - 14:30) English

Sun. **28 Jan.** (14:00 - 14:30) English & another language

## ●NIC Japanese Class for Adults

NIC日本語の会

For non-native speakers of Japanese, up to 15-20 places available per course. All lessons are held in Japanese, and knowledge of hiragana and katakana are assumed. In the event of excess applications, places will be allocated by lottery. A range of courses are available from basic conversation to kanji.

See [www.nic-nagoya.or.jp/nihongonokai](http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp/nihongonokai) for more info.

**When:** 10 lessons every Sunday from **14 Jan.** to **25 Mar.** (No class on 11 Feb.)

**Where:** Nagoya International Center

**Cost:** 2,500 Yen for 10 lessons, plus 500-1,000 Yen for course materials.

**How to Apply:** Come to the NIC 5F Conference Room 1 **on Sun. 7 Jan.** between 11:00 and 11:30. (Applications for 2nd classes from 12:30.) Following the application procedure, applicants will be interviewed. Payment accepted from 12:15.

Application forms can be found at the 3F pamphlet box area or the NIC website at [www.nic-nagoya.or.jp](http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp).

**Further Details:** Contact the Exchange and Cooperation Division on 052-581-5689

## ●NIC Japanese Class for Children

NIC子ども日本語教室

For non-native speakers of Japanese who were born between April 2, 2002, and April 1, 2011. Maximum of 60 places. In the event of excess applications, places will be decided on a needs basis. Students will learn Japanese skills necessary for school and daily life.

**When:** 10 lessons every Sunday from **14 Jan.** to **25 Mar.** (10:00 - 11:30) (No class on 11 Feb.)

**Where:** Nagoya International Center

**Cost:** 1,000 Yen for 10 lessons.

**How to Apply:** Come to NIC 4F Exhibition Room 3 **on Sun. 7 Jan.**, between 9:45 and 10:15. Following completion of the application procedure, applicants will be interviewed. Applicants must attend with their parent, guardian, or person responsible for their welfare (ie. teacher, etc.). Application forms and information can be found at the 3F pamphlet box area or the NIC website at [www.nic-nagoya.or.jp](http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp).

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## ●Registration and Information Session for Disaster Language Volunteers & Language Volunteers

災害語学・語学ボランティア登録説明会

If a major natural disaster occurs in Nagoya City, language volunteers will be present at ward offices and evacuation centers in affected areas to interpret information for non-Japanese speaking foreign nationals that are in need of help. If you are interested in becoming a Nagoya International Center registered language volunteer, find out more at a registration and information session. See the NIC website at [www.nic-nagoya.or.jp](http://www.nic-nagoya.or.jp) for details of volunteer activities, frequency of activities and requirements for registration.

**When:** Sun. **14 Jan.** (15:00 - 16:00)

**Where:** Nagoya International Center

**Reservations:** Contact the Exchange and Cooperation Division before 17:00 on Sat. 13 Jan.

**Inquiries:** Exchange and Cooperation Division

**Phone:** 052-581-5689; **E-mail:** [vol@nic-nagoya.or.jp](mailto:vol@nic-nagoya.or.jp)

## ●Physical and Mental Health Consultations for Foreign Residents

外国人の「心」と「からだ」健康相談会

This comprehensive consultation session, held in conjunction with related specialist medical organizations, aims to help resident foreign nationals who might be hindered by differences in language and customs to feel at ease about their health, through early detection of illness, prevention, and providing information about the medical treatment system. Interpreting support in English, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, Filipino, and Vietnamese will be available.

Organized by Nagoya City Health and Welfare Bureau, Nagoya International Center, and Medical Information Center Aichi, there will be free health consultations, tuberculosis testing, consultations with a midwife, and a corner with information on HIV testing and one-coin cancer testing, and the National Health Insurance system.

**When:** Sun. **28 Jan.** (13:30 - 16:00)

**Where:** Nagoya International Center Annex Hall

**Cost:** Free

**Inquiries:** NIC Information Counter, **phone:** 052-581-0100

## ●NIC Free Personal Income Tax Consultations for Foreign Residents

外国人のための税理士による無料税務相談

The Nagoya Certified Public Tax Accountants' Association together with the Nagoya International Center will be hosting free consultations for foreign residents to assist with their income tax returns and other tax-related issues.

①Sun. **18 Feb.** 10:00 to 16:00 (no consultations 12:00 - 13:00) at Nagoya International Center 4F Exhibition Room.

②Sat. **10**, Sat. **17**, Sat. **24**, Sun. **25 Feb.**, and Sat. **3**, Sun. **4 Mar.** from 13:00 to 17:00 at Nagoya International Center 3F Information Counter.

**Places:** ① Up to 30 people ② Up to 36 people

**Cost:** Consultation free; Fee of 10 Yen per page payable for printouts of materials.

**How to Apply:** In person at NIC 3F Information Counter or by calling 052-581-0100 **from 10:00 Wed. 10 Jan.** Places determined on a first-in, first-served basis. Preference will be given to first-time applicants.

**Please note that assistance with income tax returns is limited to this event and is not covered by our regular civic advisory service at the Information Counter. In addition, this service is limited to salaried employees only, and is not for business owners and operators.**

## ●Need assistance in other languages?

If you or someone you know would prefer assistance in Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Filipino, or Vietnamese, NIC's multilingual staff are standing by and ready to help you on the following days.

- **Portuguese, Spanish:** Tue. to Sun. 10:00 - 17:00 (except 12:00 - 13:00)
- **Chinese:** Tue. to Fri. 13:00 - 17:00, Sat. and Sun. 10:00 - 17:00 (except 12:00 - 13:00)
- **Korean, Filipino:** Thu., Sat., Sun. 13:00 - 17:00
- **Vietnamese:** Sun. 13:00 - 17:00

For more information, contact the NIC Information Counter on 052-581-0100.

## ●Visit us at the NIC

