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Living in Kyodo : Ease of Life



Suzuran Street

Photo by Kakimoto Manaka

Kyodo is a very livable town. On the other hand, there are various issues as well.

Many stores are around the station and in the shopping district. It is easy to access from the city center, and many restaurants line the streets. There are few expensive restaurants and a wide variety of restaurants, so it is easy to compare with other restaurants. However, Kyodo has various problems. As the number of stores decreases away

from the station, the number of people also decreases. To solve this problem, it is important for local governments and others to provide subsidies to increase the number of stores away from stations.

In terms of livability, Kyodo has positive aspects like good safety, but room for improvement due to the perception of being upscale. A strong upscale image can make people feel distant and less approachable, resulting in

fewer new residents. To address these issues, it is important to create opportunities for community interaction in the area. For example, regularly organizing radio calisthenics or holding local sports events like neighborhood associations can contribute to problem-solving.

So, Kyodo gradually become more livable city.

In this way, we suggest these plans to use animals for the purpose of making Shinjuku a safer city. We would like to

create a city where crime is eliminated

from the world and everyone can live with peace of mind anytime, anywhere.

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Challenge for Future Town Development

In 2019, the Chitose Karasuyama Shopping District Association was established in the shopping district around Chitose Karasuyama Station. In the same year, the association established the "Machizukuri Committee". The city's urban development policy was summarized as the "Chitose Karasuyama Town Development Design" in 2021, and the ideal of a "cozy and vibrant town" was set. and efforts were made in cooperation with the local government and various other entities.

Creating a familiar city

The news section of the

website also includes the "Machizukuri Committee News" to let people know about the activities of the "Machizukuri Committee," which is engaged in urban development.

The newsletter also includes information on past and current activities, as well as future plans, so that people can look forward to the development of Chitose Karasuyama. The frequency of publication makes it possible to get to know Chitose Karasuyama more intimately.

The newsletter also exchanges opinions with the people who actually live in Chitose Karasuyama, which allows us to create more concrete plans

for the town and to find ways to improve the town.

Editorial postscript

In Japan at the beginning of



shopping streets of the new era will be vibrant.

malls have declined and lost their former vitality. By2025 era, the changes keep continuing. However, it is perfect in the midst of change that people are trying to create a new shopping district for a new era. This movement will take place not only in Chitose Karasuyama, but also in other parts of Japan. People must take care of their own neighborhoods so that the shopping streets of the new era will be vibrant.

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Making Sakurajosui Safer and Attractive

Sakurajosui is good place to live. It takes about 15 minutes from Sakurajosui to Shinjuku and Shibuya. So, It is easy to go to the city center. Sakurajosui has low crime rates because Sakurajosui has

a quiet residential area., Around Sakurajosui has a lot of elementary schools and high schools. So education

environment is good.

However, Sakurajosui has some bad points. The number of children is more than the amount of family. It means that maybe the number of crimes increases, So, the city has to help children.

This area should care support for children like medical support and study support. Moreover, roads in front of the station are

narrow. Narrow roads cause traffic accidents.

Sakurajosui has need to improve traffic. The third problem, a lot of supermarkets are around the station. It is hard for people who don't live near the station to go shopping. Therefore, Sakurajosui should built supermarkets away from station. Though Sakurajosui has

these bad points, Sakurajosui has also lots of attractions to visit.

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Old Hachimanyama

About Hachimanyama's basic information

Hachimanyama's population is about 7,800 persons.

Hachimanyama has good and bad points. At first, one of good points is that many families live. Also, Hachimanyama has beautiful nature. However, Hachimanyama has also bad points. Between Kanpachi road and Koushyuu road is noisy because many cars pass there. Also, Hachimanyama has not places for young people. So Hachimanyama needs to build places using nature.

The current Hachimanyama

Station was established in 1918 as Matsuzawa Station of Keio Electric Railway.

It was renamed Hachimanyama Station in 1937 and changed to its current name.

In 1944, the station was merged with Tokyu Corporation and became a Keio Line station.

The station became the current elevated station in 1968 when a new road was built.

The station became a rapid train station due to a timetable revision. Around March 2006, as part of the universal design, the "Anyone's Restroom" was built.

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Near the Hachimanyama station Photo by Ena Ota

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Onsen in Kamikitazawa



Kitazawayu Photo by Iizuka Yui

Kitazawa-yu was established at the beginning of the Showa period, and the current proprietress is the third generation. Kitazawa-yu" is a miya-zukuri building located at the north exit of Kamikitazawa Station on the Keio Line, following the railroad tracks in the direction of Sakurajosui. While maintaining the same brightness and cleanliness, the bath facilities have been powered up. The number of bathtubs has been reduced, the wash area has been widened, and the jets have been upgraded to high-power jets in addition to the vibrators in the baths.

The medicated baths will

also continue to be available, so regular visitors can use the baths with peace of mind. In addition, the paint of Mt. Fuji in the bathrooms has been newly painted by a public bathhouse painter. And fans sometimes come for the painting.

A "high-concentration artificial carbonated spring," which is rare in public bathhouses, has been introduced. By slowly soaking in the lukewarm water that generates many carbonic acid bubbles, it is four times more effective in stimulating blood circulation than plain water and good for promoting metabolism. You can relax while gazing at the carbonic acid bubbles that heal your body. The carbonated spring

is set at a lukewarm temperature, so even if you take a long soak, you won't get run over, and the warmth will continue long after you get out of the water, making it perfect ahead for the cold season. In Germany, it is called "hot water for the heart. It has been artificially reproduced in Japan and is helping to treat severe blood flow disorders at medical institutions. Kitazawa-yu is recommended for elderly people and those who have knee pain or difficulty walking. It is also family oriented, as the introduction of a lukewarm bathtub has attracted many mothers with small children. Moreover, Kitazawa-yu has the warm atmosphere which

is created by the kindness and hospitality of the proprietress, who welcomes all customers with open arms, which contributes to the friendly atmosphere of Kamikitazawa, the town where this bathhouse is located.

When you want to relax, go to Kitazawa-yu in Kamikitazawa!

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Developing City with Marchants; Kyodo

Kyodo is popular as a residential area with a calm life and high convenience. Kyodo has developed as a castle town of "Setagaya Castle" since ancient times. During the Sengoku period, Rakuichi was opened in Setagaya Shinjuku near "Setagaya Castle" at present-day Gotoku-ji Temple. Rakuichi was crowded in a city where you can buy and sell freely without taking market taxes. When "Edo Castle" was opened in the Edo period, " Setagaya Castle"

became obsolete and Rakuichi also declined. After that, the age market was held once a year and at the end of the year. In the Meiji period, the treatment of second-hand clothes increased, and the age market began to be called "Boro City". After the war, the number of shops had increased in the city of Kyodo, which developed rapidly. In particular, many shops gather around "Kyodo" station, and a shopping street is formed. Many shops are lined up in "Kyodo Suzuran Shopping Street", and

events named "Suzuran Festival" are also held in spring and autumn. In the festival, some events such as special sales and music stages are held.

Moreover, Kyodo has another street. Currently, "Kyodo Agricultural Boulevard Shopping Street" has more than 150 stores and many events such as the "Kyodo Festival" are also held.

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Kyodo station Photo by Kandai Yamamoto

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A Must-Visit for Foodies

It is a Shimotakaido shopping street that is always crowded with people and full of energy. It is famous for its delicious foods that can be enjoyed at reasonable prices.

Local train and express stop at Shimotakaido shopping street, and it is only 10 minutes from Shinjuku Station, providing excellent access from central Tokyo. The next station is Meidaimae, where you can transfer to the Inokashira Line,

so it is a very convenient station with good access to Shibuya.

JAZZ KEIRIN

It is famous for its delicious creative noodles. And a certain magazine even featured it as "Tokyo's No.1 curry noodles."

TATSUMIYA

This shop sells a taiyaki filled with red bean paste. It is also certified as a Setagaya souvenir.

COFFEE SPECIALTY STORE POEM

A retro cafe with a store on the second floor, where you can spend a quiet time even though it is located in the always crowded in Shimotakaido shopping street.

HOTTA MEAT AND SIDE DISHES

A butcher shop with endless lines. The most popular dish is the handmade croquettes.

SHIMOTAKAIDO CINEMA

Opened in the early 1950s, it retains an old-fashioned atmosphere, and tickets are only sold at the counter, with numbered tickets and early bird tickets.. Old movies such as "Otoko wa Tsurai yo" are shown here.

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Characteristics of Sakurajosui Exit

NORTH ENTRANCE

As soon as you get out of Sakurajosui, you can see a spacious bicycle parking lot, and next to it are ATMs of each bank. The "Cherry Blossom Shopping Street" extends to connect the north and south, but restaurants tend to be a little more in the north. If you go further north, you will find the Koshu Highway.

MacDonald's and 7-Eleven are lined up on the Koshu Highway, and there is a park nearby. The

shopping district is lined with Kokokara Fine, Family Mart and many private shops.

SOUTH ENTRANCE

The south has a convenient exit to access the campus of Nihon University's Faculty of Literature and Science. On the south is Sakurajosui Gardens, a large-scale housing complex, and on the west is an area lined with luxury detached houses. Originally, Sakurajosui Gardens was called Sakurajosui Estate.

Also, you can see some private shops lined up, and if you walk along the railroad crossing toward 7-Eleven, you will find a police box.

CONVENIENCE OF TRANSPORTATION

Sakurajosui stops at each station, section express, express and rapid trains and takes about 10 minutes to Shinjuku. Sakurajosui is the very convenient place to go city center.



Sakurajosui station
Photo by <https://town.mec-h.com/mh-kyodo/82>

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Parks and Museum in Kamikitazawa

Kamikitazawa has not only Kamikitazawa Park, but also Setagaya-ku Shogun Pond Park.

It is a large park with an area of approximately 5,030 square meters and approximately 50 convenience stores. It has also a park rich in nature, with many trees and ponds.

The carp streamers held here

from late April to early May are a very popular event that attracts people of all ages, including local families and children.

Therefore, there are many families with children in this area.

The park has also an area where you can play in the water, providing an environment where you can get in touch with nature

and get your body moving, so it's worth visiting there.

The Kaga Toyohiko Memorial Matsuzawa Museum is also located 3 minutes from Kamikitazawa Station.

Toyohiko Kagawa is a person who dedicated his life to alleviating poverty.

Starting with relief work in the slums, he became involved

in peace movements and became Japan's first million-selling author.

It is important to have a museum to preserve these activities for future generations.

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