

Why do we hold festivals and all other events?

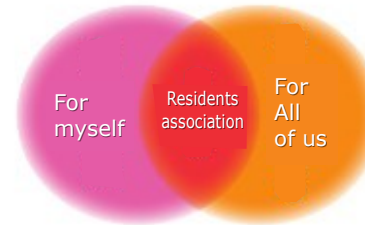
Because it's something cannot be given to the children apart from the region.

Parents can celebrate special occasion for their children such as birthday parties, entrance and graduation from the schools. However, the fabulous scenery such as festivals, "Bon Dance" sound coming on the wind, lovely looking street delicacy with tasty smell, meet up with friends wearing "yukata" dress cannot be given only from the effort of the parents. Much power from the large organization is required for enabling various events possible. However, making this can become unforgettable memory for all the children grew up in the region.



# What is Residents Association?

Residents association is for myself and for all of us.



The favorable and secured city for one also corresponds to the others such as walking during night, safe park or facilities can be used in emergency, fabulous memory on festival and so on. Residents association is where something "for myself" and "for all of us" can meet together.

## Major activities of residents association

- Keep all the disposal station and park under control
- Preserve its safety on streets
- Keep in touch with schools, community centers and city council
- Keep on eyes for children on their commuting to schools
- Maintain and control street lights
- Security patrol from crimes
- Disaster prevention practices
- Holding and managing events and festivals
- Dispatching information by newsletters and adverts





I wonder whether it would be more beneficial to join...?

## Some examples on concerns over joining residents association.

Needs to protect privacy and not willing to be annoyed or disturbed by anyone nearby.

You may feel anxious on neighbors because they're strangers?

Everyone feel anxious on strangers, but you want to feel relax and reside peacefully in the local region. Joining residents association is the only chance where you can alter "strangers" into "neighborhoods". By making more neighborhoods, you may make fear and anxiety into stable pleasure.

Other members of residents association are thinking in the same way.

Members are thinking same to prevent privacy and commit on personal issue. Respecting other's privacy because of want to protect mine also. Best method to hold prolonged and better relation.

I'm aged and living on my own. Lots of anxiety on daily life and the health issue.

Do you know you can live longer by having more contact to the others?

It's more unlikely to become ill for those enjoying lifestyle with more contact. Appropriate involve with the neighbors can get rid of fear from being isolated and more possibility to keep up your life in good condition mentally and physically.



Regional government office will treat us somehow in emergency. We're making payment on civil tax for the purpose.

Fire brigade and ambulance cannot be attended immediately on huge natural disaster occasion.



Number of fire vehicles in Sagamihara City only count for 190 including those provided to voluntary fire brigade. (Which means 1 unit per 1,600 families) 6 vehicles will be involved on single fire disaster therefore it is unable to cover up in a huge natural disaster. Also, manpower at least six is required to save just one patient. Important task to save more lives is brought from cooperation from the region

It cannot be admitted that your children are staying with you at all the time.

Supposing your lost children is surrounded by strangers in the evacuation shelter. It gives more pleasure to them by existing someone they know from fear on chaos. Small but good communication with neighbors can save the children under something unexpected.



Not willing to be involved on the duty. Why am I supposed to do that?

In order to make better surrounding without spending much expense.

Safe and clean atmosphere and environment cannot be obtained for free. Voluntary mind among residents can make better places without much cost by making routine works by swapping each other.

Because of the duty is all under routine, we may lighten the pressure given per resident.

May find yourself busy and stressful when your routine work comes to you. Therefore making due date on each duties to ensure not being biased. When it comes to the last day of the due, simply just swap to the next person. Some others will keep better atmosphere while out of your sight.

