



Working Towards a Child Abuse-Free Society



To all guardians...

YOU are responsible for children's happiness and wellbeing!

If your actions hurt a child's mind or body, it's not discipline, it's child abuse!

Child abuse is a serious violation of human rights!

It's important to consider your actions from a child's perspective, not your own.

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What is child abuse?

Child abuse is any behavior by a guardian or caregiver that causes physical or psychological injury to a child, and can have serious, negative impacts on a child's healthy growth and personal development.

Physical Abuse

- Violence such as punching or kicking
 - Locking children outside
- etc.

Sexual Abuse

- Sexual acts or sexually-violent behavior
 - Showing children pornographic materials
- etc.

Negligence & Neglect

- Refusing to seek medical treatment when a child is sick
 - Not providing adequate food
- etc.

Psychological Abuse

- Acting violently or arguing in front of children
 - Ignoring a child or acting dismissive
- etc.

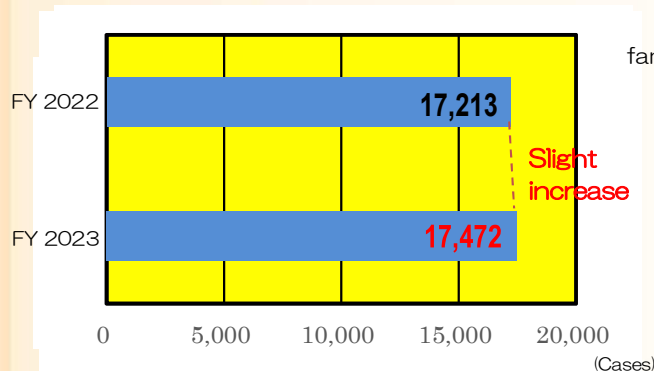
Victims of child abuse...

have decreased motivation and sense of self-worth.

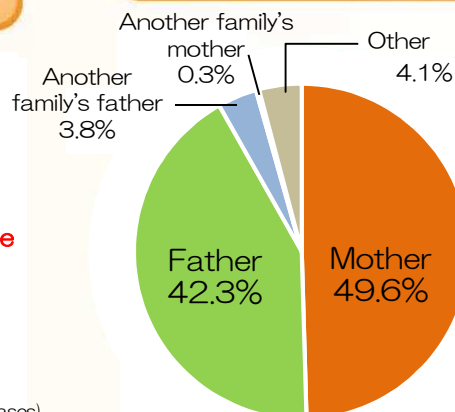


About child abuse in Saitama

Number of Reports of Child Abuse to Children's Counseling Offices



Main Offenders



A high number of children being abused by their own parents might indicate...



*Number of Reports of Child Abuse to Children's Counseling Offices in FY 2023
(Researched by the Saitama Prefectural Government Child Care and Safety Division)

To everyone raising children...

Children don't grow up exactly according to their parents' expectations. Raising children can be an uncertain process.



Instead of facing everything alone, why not try discussing your feelings with others? Someone is always available to listen to you, via phone or in person. Please feel free to contact your local Children's Counseling Office regarding any child care-related concerns you may have.

If you are concerned about someone...

While the extent of behavior and frequency of its occurrence should also be taken into consideration, if you notice any of the following signs, please don't hesitate to contact a counseling organization (Children's Counseling Office, or point of contact for your municipality).

Children SOS Signs

- Frequently unenergetic or unhappy and lacking facial expression
- Frequently has bruises, burns, etc., from unnatural causes (e.g. physical violence)
- Exhibits sexual behavior and speech unbecoming of their age
- Unclean (face, hair, legs, feet, mouth)
- Often left unattended for long periods of time



Guardian SOS Signs

- Decreased interaction with child or cold attitude when interacting
- Using unusual or extreme scolding methods
- Extreme behavior such as psychological over-attachment or complete disinterest
- Household is in an unhygienic state of disarray
- Injuries from domestic violence inflicted by a spouse, etc.



Your vigilance and actions can help protect children from abuse!

If you have seen a child who you suspect may be a victim of child abuse...
 If you know a guardian who has concerns about child-care...
 If you have concerns about child-care...

Please Call

National Children's Counseling Hotline



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Saitama Prefecture Abuse Hotline ※



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For emergency consultations or to report abuse, please call the National Children's Counseling Hotline or the Saitama Prefecture Abuse Hotline

Saitama Prefecture Municipal Points of Contact regarding Children's Counseling

Current as of April 1, 2024

Municipality	Division	Telephone	Municipality	Division	Telephone
Kawagoe City	Child and Domestic Affairs Division	049-224-5821	Hasuda City	Children's Support Division	048-768-3111
Kumagaya City	Child Affairs Division	048-577-8480	Sakado City	Children's Support Division	049-283-1331
Kawaguchi City	Child-Care Consultation Division	048-259-9005	Satte City	Children's Support Division	0480-42-8457
Gyoda City	Children and Families Center	048-556-2011	Tsurugashima City	Children's Support Division	049-271-1111
Chichibu City	Child-Care Support Division	0494-26-6535	Hidaka City	Children and Families Center	042-989-2111
Tokorozawa City	Children and Families Center	04-2991-1824	Yoshikawa City	Child-Care Support Division	048-982-9529
Hanno City	Children's Support Division	042-978-5627	Fujimino City	Children and Families Center	049-262-9034
Kazo City	Sukusuku Child Care Consultation Office	0480-62-1111	Shiraoka City	Child-Care Support Division	0480-92-1111
Honjo City	Children and Families Center	0495-71-4501	Ina Town	Child-Care Support Division	048-721-2111
Higashimatsuyama City	Children's Support Division	0493-81-5750	Miyoshi Town	Children's Support Division	049-258-0019
Kasukabe City	Child Affairs Consultation Division	048-796-8902	Moroyama Town	Child Affairs Division	049-295-2112
Sayama City	Children's Support Division	04-2941-4047	Ogose Town	Child-Care Support Division	049-292-3121
Hanyu City	Child and Domestic Affairs Division	048-561-1121	Namegawa Town	Welfare Division	0493-59-9985
Konosu City	Child-Care Support Division	048-541-1894	Ranzan Town	Welfare Division	0493-62-0716
Fukaya City	Child and Youth Affairs Division	048-571-1211	Ogawa Town	Child-Care Support Division	0493-81-6181
Ageo City	Children and Families Comprehensive Support Center	048-783-4964	Kawajima Town	Child-Care Support Division	049-299-1765
Soka City	Child and Domestic Affairs Division	048-941-6814	Yoshimi Town	Child-Care Support Division	0493-81-5709
Koshigaya City	Children and Families Center	048-963-9319	Hatoyama Town	Townsmen Health Division	049-296-2530
Warabi City	Children's Future Division	048-433-7757	Tokigawa Town	Welfare Division	0493-65-0813
Toda City	Parent and child Healthy Office	048-299-2816	Yokose Town	Health Child-Care Division	0494-25-0110
Iruma City	Children's Support Division	04-2964-1111	Minano Town	Health Children's Division	0494-62-1288
Asaka City	Children's Future Division	048-463-0364	Nagatoro Town	Health Children's Division	0494-66-3111
Shiki City	Children's Support Division	048-456-5362	Ogano Town	Child Affairs Division	0494-75-4101
Wako City	Children and Families Support Division	048-424-9124	Higashichichibu Village	Public Welfare Division	0493-82-1226
Niiza City	Children's Support Division	048-424-9161	Misato Town	Children's Future Division	0495-76-2277
Okegawa City	Children's Future Division	048-788-4946	Kamikawa Town	Public Welfare Division	0495-77-2112
Kuki City	Children and Families Health Division	0480-22-1111	Kamisato Town	Child-Care and Lifestyle Division	0495-35-1236
Kitamoto City	Child-Care Support Division	048-511-7702	Yorii Town	Child-Care Support Division	048-581-2121
Yashio City	Children and Families Support Division	048-996-2111	Miyashiro Town	Child-Care Support Division	0480-34-1111
Fujimi City	Child Future Support Center	049-252-3773	Sugito Town	Child-Care Support Division	0480-31-9921
Misato City	Children and Families Center	048-930-7780	Matsubushi Town	Healthy Child-Care Division	048-991-1876

Children's Counseling Offices in Saitama Prefecture

Children's Counseling Office	Telephone	Area of Jurisdiction
Chuo Children's Counseling Office	048-775-4152	Konosu City, Ageo City, Okegawa City, Kuki City, Kitamoto City, Hasuda City, Shiraoka City, Ina Town
Minami Children's Counseling Office	048-262-4152	Kawaguchi City, Warabi City, Toda City
Kawagoe Children's Counseling Office	049-223-4152	Kawagoe City, Higashimatsuyama City, Fujimi City, Fujimino City, Sakado City, Tsurugashima City, Hidaka City, Miyoshi Town, Moroyama Town, Ogose Town, Namegawa Town, Ranzan Town, Ogawa Town, Tokigawa Town, Kawajima Town, Yoshimi Town, Hatoyama Town, Higashichichibu Village
Tokorozawa Children's Counseling Office	04-2992-4152	Tokorozawa City, Hanno City, Sayama City, Iruma City, Asaka City, Shiki City, Wako City, Niiza City
Kumagaya Children's Counseling Office	048-521-4152	Kumagaya City, Gyoda City, Chichibu City, Kazo City, Honjo City, Hanyu City, Fukaya City, Yokose Town, Minano Town, Nagatoro Town, Ogano Town, Misato Town, Kamikawa Town, Kamisato Town, Yorii Town
Koshigaya Children's Counseling Office	048-975-4152	Kasukabe City, Koshigaya City, Satte City, Miyashiro Town, Sugito Town, Matsubushi Town
Soka Children's Counseling Office	048-920-4152	Soka City, Yashio City, Misato City, Yoshikawa City
Saitama City Hokubu Children's Counseling Office	048-711-3917	Saitama City (Nishi Ward, Kita Ward, Omiya Ward, Minuma Ward, Iwatsuki Ward)
Saitama City Nanbu Children's Counseling Office	048-711-2489	Saitama City (Chuo Ward, Sakura Ward, Urawa Ward, Minami Ward, Midori Ward)



Saitama Prefectural Mascot: Saitamatchi

The Saitama Prefectural Ordinance on the Prohibition of Child Abuse was implemented on April 1, 2018. For more details visit the Saitama Prefectural Government Website.

Saitama Prefectural Ordinance on the Prohibition of Child Abuse

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※The Saitama Prefecture Abuse Hotline provides consultation on all forms of abuse, including child abuse, elder abuse, and disability abuse.