

## Save the Children “Hello! Baby Box” ~Offers you newborn baby items~

Save the Children, an international NGO dedicated to supporting children, is pleased to announce our offering to provide mothers with baby items to help them prepare for the arrival of their babies. We look forward to receiving your application for the “Hello! Baby Box.”

### Application Guidelines



#### **【What is Hello! Baby Box?】**

For those who are currently 22 weeks as of application or later pregnant, we will donate the following childcare items needed for newborns.

2 packs of newborn size diapers / 1 bottle each of additive-free detergent and fabric softener / 1 bottle of baby soap / 5 packs of wipes / underwear set for newborns (kimono-style onesie with bottom snaps or open-front bodysuit, etc.) / toys / relaxation goods for mothers etc. \*The contents of the Box may vary slightly.

#### **【Application Requirements】**

To apply for receiving the Hello! Baby Box, you must meet all the requirements 1-3 below.

\*Foreign nationals are also eligible to apply.

\*If it is difficult for an expectant mother to apply in person, her spouse, partner, family member, or supporter may apply on her behalf. In such cases, a copy of the mother-child handbook or other documents must be submitted.

#### **1. At the time of application, you are 22 weeks pregnant (stable period) or later.**

The diapers in the Boxes are newborn size and are intended to be given to those who are before delivery.

#### **2. You are in either of the following situations.**

\*Those to whom only F applies may not be eligible depending on the reason.

- A. Pregnancy in adolescence (under 20 years old) or students (including over 20 years old).
- B. A household with multiple children (3 or more children under 18 years old, including the child whom the person is currently pregnant with) \* if you have unborn twins, you can count them as 2 children.
- C. Unmarried or single parent
- D. Pregnancy with intellectual disability, mental illness, or mental instability
- E. Being a refugee, in the process of applying for refugee status, or on provisional release
- F. Others not listed above who have difficulty preparing newborn supplies and need assistance.

### 3. Income requirements

Please refer to the income guidelines at the end of this guide or the application form from the link or QR code below to see if you meet the requirements.

\*Even if you do not meet the income requirements, you may still apply as long as you meet the requirement above. However, the priority is given to those who meet the income requirement.

#### **[Documents to be submitted for application]**

Please take photos of the required documents below with your smartphone, camera, etc., attach the images to the application form online, then submit them. For instructions how to attach images, please refer to the application form. Submission by mail is also possible. Please send us copies of the documents by mail.

#### **Documents to be submitted by all applicants**

**1. The cover page of your Mother-Child Handbook** (Please make sure that the name of the municipality, the date of issuance, and your name are shown on the page.)

**2. Documents proving your income**

\*Minors and students are not required to submit these documents. (Students over 20 years old should send an image of their student ID cards. (You may cross out the name of your school.) Working students must submit the following documents to prove their income.)

Please submit one of the following documents:

The most recent pay stub, online bank account or passbook page showing salary transfers, withholding tax certificate for the fiscal year 2021, tax exemption certificate for the fiscal year 2021, copy of tax return submitted in the fiscal year 2022 (for self-employed persons), most recent sales ledger (for self-employed persons), resident tax notification for the fiscal year 2022, etc.

\*Please also submit for your spouse, partner, or other caregiver of the pregnant child. Unmarried or single parents need only submit for one person.

\*If you are unemployed at the time of application, please submit any of the above documents from the time when you were working. If you do not have any documents to submit, please explain the reason on the application form.

\*If you have received this notice from the local municipality and are unable to submit income proof as described above, please indicate the reason on the application form.

#### **You need to submit additional documents in the following cases:**

- ◆ **A. Students over 20 years old**  
Students over 20 years old should send an image of their student ID cards. (You may cross out the name of your school.)
  
- ◆ **B. You are in a household with multiple children;**  
Please submit copies of all of your children's health insurance cards or Medical Certificates for Infants and Children. You could instead submit other official

documents, such as Child Support Allowance Certificates and Schooling Assistance Certificates, to prove the number of children in your household.

- ◆ **E.You are in the process of applying for refugee status or on provisional release;**  
Please submit a copy of the application for refugee status or provisional release.

\*If you have received this notice from the local municipality and are unable to submit documents as described above, please indicate the reason on the application form.

### **【Application Period】**

**Sep 7, 2022 (Wed) 12:00 (noon)-Oct 24, 2022 (Mon) 23:59**

Applications will not be accepted after the deadline for any reason.

### **【How to apply】**

**Please access the application form from the link or QR code below, fill out the form, attach images of your documents, then submit it.**

\*The form is written in Japanese. If you have difficulty applying online, you can also mail your application. Please contact us from [Contact Information] below.

## **【Application Form】**

Please enter the application form from the link or QR code below, fill in the required information, and submit it.

<https://bit.ly/3AJ6OuH>



### **【Selection】**

If the number of applicants exceeds the maximum number, the selection will be made internally. Even if the number of applicants does not reach the maximum number, those who do not meet the eligibility requirements will not be selected. Please note that we will not be able to provide details of the selection process.

### **【Application Results】**

Save the Children will select applicants based on the submitted application forms and documents and will notify all applicants of the results by e-mail or phone.

### **【Shipping】**

The Boxes will be shipped in **mid-Nov**. Shipping may be delayed in case of bad weather or natural disasters.

### **< Notes and Precautions >**

- ◆ Confirmation of application details

We may call or e-mail you to confirm your application details. Please be sure to include a phone number and e-mail address where we can reach you and provide the approximate time of day you are available to be called. If you are using a cell phone carrier email (@ezweb.ne.jp, @docomo.ne.jp, etc.), please make sure that you can receive email from @savethechildren.org.

- ◆ Data of submitted documents

We use a highly safe and secure form for the data of application documents. We will also destroy all submitted documents after the selection process.

◆ Information entered for application

We may use the information provided in the application form for our statistical analysis, activity reports, social awareness-raising activities, policy advocacy, etc. in a form that does not identify individuals.

## 【Contact Information】

Save the Children Japan

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Inquiry Form: <https://bit.ly/3McAlQa>

Email: [japan.hello-baby@savethechildren.org](mailto:japan.hello-baby@savethechildren.org)

\*Please contact us via Inquiry Form or e-mail. Inquiries in languages other than Japanese or English may take longer.

**※The application should be made basically online. If you have questions or difficulty in applying online, please contact us by e-mail or phone.**

\*Privacy Policy\*Personal information obtained at the time of application will be used for the purpose of providing this support and information to the applicant, conducting surveys, etc., and will be managed and stored responsibly by the Organization. Personal information will not be provided to any third party without the applicant's consent. In some cases, the translation or compilation of application information may be outsourced to companies with whom the Organization has entered into a subcontracting agreement. In such cases, your personal information will be protected under the principles of personal information protection. Please click here for the privacy policy of the Organization. <http://www.savechildren.or.jp/privacy-policy/>

### About Save the Children

Save the Children is a private, non-profit international organization that supports children in approximately 120 countries around the world, including Japan. Save the Children has been working for 100 years to achieve a world where children's rights are realized. In Japan, after the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred in March 2011, we worked in Iwate, Miyagi, and Fukushima prefectures to support reconstruction efforts until the end of 2015; since 2016, we have continued our work for children in the affected Tohoku region, and by 2021 we have provided a portion of the expenses related to new school enrollment to a total of 2,606 elementary, junior high, and high school students in Ishinomaki City, Miyagi, and Yamada Town and Miyako City, Iwate.

## 3. Income Requirements

There is a guideline amount of annual income for each number of people in the household. Please check your household size and annual income in the table below. This is only a guideline amount, so even if your annual income exceeds this amount, you may still apply if you meet any of the conditions A through F in [Application Requirement] 2 above. (Please note that if the number of applicants exceeds the maximum number, preference will be given to those whose income is below the guideline amount.)

\*The number of household members does not include the number of children the mother is currently pregnant with.

The number of household members	one	two	three	four	five
Guideline annual income	2,044,000JPY	2,244,000JPY	2,416,000JPY	2,916,000JPY	3,416,000JPY
Guideline monthly income	170,333JPY	187,000JPY	201,333JPY	243,000JPY	284,667JPY
household composition	Unmarried, single parent currently expecting her first child	Two parents, or single parent and one child	Two parents and one child, or single parent and two children	Two parents and two children, or single parent and three children	Two parents and three children, or single parent and four children

\*The 'income' refers to the "gross pay" on the pay stub or the "payment amount" on the withholding tax certificate, not to the "net pay."

\*The "Guideline monthly income" is given only as a reference. Please be sure to check the annual income.

\*For a household of five or more members, please contact us.