



Services available to single-parent families

Here is a list of services and programs offered to support single-parent families.

★ Allowances and aids ★

🐻 Allowances to support children

(Income restrictions apply.)

The following allowances are provided to support children who do not live with the father or mother due to divorce, out-of-marriage birth or death, or whose father or mother has a certain disability. The allowances are paid to the parent or carer of the child until the first March 31 after he or she turns 18 years of age.

- Eligibility: Parents or other carers of children under 18 years of age in single- or no-parent families
- Allowance amount:

Child support allowance:

10,740 yen to 45,500 yen per month for the first child;
5,380 yen to 10,750 yen per month for the second child;
3,230 yen to 6,450 yen per month for the third and subsequent child

*If the amount of pension is lower than the amount of allowance, the difference is paid.

Single-parent family allowance:

3,000 yen to 9,000 yen per month per child

*The allowance is provided for the period of three years, provided, however, that eligibility for the allowance is lost after seven years have passed following the occurrence of a qualifying event such as divorce.

Aichi Prefecture bereaved child allowance:

2,175 yen to 4,350 yen per month per child

*The allowance is provided for the period of five years.
*Recipients of pension benefits are not eligible to receive this allowance.

- Inquiry: Ward Office Civil Affairs & Children Division / Branch Office Resident Welfare Division

🐻 Medical subsidy for single-parent families

(Income restrictions apply.)

A subsidy is offered to cover medical expenses of: single parents and their dependent children; and children without both parents. Please present a single-parent medical certificate together with the health insurance card or its equivalent when seeing a doctor.

- Eligibility: Single parents and their dependent children and children without both parents
- Inquiry: Ward Office Health Insurance & Pension Division / Branch Office Resident Welfare Division

★ Housing support ★

🐻 Municipal housing for single-parent families

(Income restrictions apply.)

Municipal housing is made available for single parents with children under 20 years of age in need of housing support. If two or more applications are received for one housing unit, the tenant will be selected by lottery. Tenancy applications will be accepted in June and November. Details of the application period will be announced in the Nagoya News magazine and the official website of the Nagoya Municipal Government.

- Eligibility: Single parents with children under 20 years of age in need of housing support

- Support amount: 10% to 30% of the deposit and rent depending on the monthly income of the family
- Inquiry: Ward Office Civil Affairs & Children Division / Branch Office Resident Welfare Division

🐻 Mother and child living support facilities

There are facilities for mothers and children in need of protection where support is provided to help them prepare for independent living. These facilities can be used even if divorce is not completed. For details, please inquire.

- Eligibility: Mothers and children under 18 years of age in need of protection
- Fee: Varies from 0 to 57,300 yen per month depending on the household income.
- Inquiry: Ward Office Civil Affairs & Children Division / Branch Office Resident Welfare Division

★ Livelihood support services ★

🐻 Livelihood support services for single-parent families

The following services are offered to single-parent families with difficulties managing daily household affairs due to illness of the mother or father or other reasons.

- Services: (1) Sending a helper to the family to manage household affairs, (2) Looking after the child at a facility designated by the municipal government
- Eligibility: Single parents including widows and widowers with children under 20 years of age in need of support in daily life
- Fee: Varies from 0 to 300 yen per hour depending on the household income of the previous year. (The fee for childcare at a facility varies from 0 to 150 yen per hour.)
- Inquiry: Ward Office Civil Affairs & Children Division / Branch Office Resident Welfare Division

🐻 Support for single-parent families for job placement and self-sustained livelihood

Job placement service, job consultation and psychological counseling are offered to single parents at Joinas Nagoya. Training sessions to develop job skills such as computer and bookkeeping skills are also organized from time to time. A call for participation in a training session will be published in the Nagoya News magazine each time a session is scheduled.

- Eligibility: Single parents including widows and widowers
- Fee: None (Payment of actual expenses, e.g. for a textbook, is required in some sessions.)
- Inquiry: Joinas Nagoya ☎ 252-8824

🐻 Welfare loan for single parents and widows and widowers

🐻 Nagoya City welfare loan for widowers

Nagoya City provides loans to single parents including widows and widowers and their children to cover expenses for school education, skills training, employment preparations, housing, etc.

- Eligibility: Single parents and their children, children without both parents, widows and widowers
- Inquiry: Ward Office Civil Affairs & Children Division / Branch Office Resident Welfare Division



For more information about support for single-parent families, please see “ひとり親家庭等サポートブック” (Single-parent family support book) distributed at the Public & Child Welfare Division of the local ward office, and the Residents' Welfare Division of the branch office of the ward.