

1) Local Theft Incidents

First, some news about thefts that occurred in Hiratsuka this past October.

There were a total of 51 bicycle thefts reported across nearly every neighborhood in the city. In particular, Amamuma had 8 cases, Shonomiya had 4, and Sanada, Nakahara, and Beniyacho each had 3 cases.

Please note that bicycles have been stolen even when parked inside private property, and sometimes even when locked. To better protect your bicycle, we recommend using an additional wire lock, available at home centers.

Motorcycle thefts were also reported, with 23 cases in total. Tamura had 5 incidents, and Higashi-Shindo had 3. When parking your motorcycle, please use an anti-theft lock in addition to the regular key.

2) Scholarship for High School Students

Kanagawa Prefecture offers scholarships for students entering high school next year. Eligibility includes:

1. Both parent and child living in Kanagawa Prefecture.
2. If the parent lives in Kanagawa, the child may attend school outside the prefecture.
3. The household must be exempt from resident tax.

Applications must be sent by mail to the Kanagawa Board of Education by December 15, 2025, along with:

- 1.Application form
- 2.Resident certificate for all family members
- 3.Proof of parent's income

For details, please contact the Multilingual Support Center at 045-316-2770.

3) Citizen Health Lecture

On Saturday, December 6, from 1:40 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., a “Citizen Health Lecture” will be held at the Hirashin Hiratsuka Cultural and Arts Hall.

Doctors from Hiratsuka City Hospital will give a talk on heart disease.

Admission is free for the first 150 people.

For inquiries, call the City Management Planning Division at 0463-32-0015.