TACHIKAWA CITY

Fourth Long-term Comprehensive Plan (Digest Version)

Tachikawa city, the exchange city of peace and bustling
Tachikawa, a vibrant transport hub in the Tama region, has been developed by integrating and centering industries and cultures to the JR Tachikawa Station resulting in a variety of interchange and the achievement of a unique cultural identity. Presently the region shows great prosperity. In addition to the urban character of the area, rustic and green spaces such as farmlands spreading from east to west of the Sunagawa area, the Tamagawa waterworks, the Tama River, the Zanbori River, and Showa Kinen Park, all representative of Japan, are located in familiar places with easy access. In addition, activities rooted in the local communities that cherish the bonds between residents are enthusiastically carried out. People can feel the peace in daily life.

In this way, prosperity and peace will continue to further develop embody Tachikawa at the heart of the Tama region while creating new values suited to Tachikawa by exchanging citizens and having many visitors congregate in the area.

Toward the realization of the future image, the following five city images have been defined showing the direction of the town development.

- **Growing up and studying: high cultural potential**
  A town rich in places for nurturing children who will lead the future, rich in opportunities of learning places for citizens and rich in cultural taste with creativity expressed via the social exchanges of the citizenry.

- **Comfortable city that is safe and environmentally friendly**
  A rich and comfortable town surrounded by lush green nature to incorporate a peaceful environment to augment one’s daily life.

- **Interaction and a creative town with a diversity of values**
  A vital and vibrant town where people, goods and information gather, and new businesses and values are created by enhancing preexistent urban functions and using industrial promotion applying the urban functions effectively.

- **Watch over and support each other. Our town living healthy and at ease**
  A caring town that will continue to live healthily in peace with an environment of mutual care and support.

- **Sustainable city corresponding to the decentralized society**
  Actively cooperation and expansion of effort to create a sustainable city by uniting citizens to create an area where it is easy to live alongside one another with efficient and effective administrative and financial operations and regional management.
Town development basic idea

For the deployment of the policy, we will continue to develop the town based on the four fundamental principles that are the core ideas as a way of thinking.

1. **Promotion of collaboration by various entities**
   - Various entities cooperating to promote urban development that takes advantage of citizen input.

2. **Deployment of aggressive city promotion**
   - Establishment of scenic areas and promotion of town development we can be proud of.

3. **Activities of diverse human resources including senior citizens and women**
   - Promotion of urban development where citizens can actively thrive in their lifetimes.

4. **Promotion of unremitting administrative and financial reform**
   - Promote efficient and effective administrative and financial operations that respond appropriately to the needs of citizens.

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Basic concept
Establish the aim of town development "future image", and illustrates the basic ideas and philosophy for its realization.

Basic plan
The Basic Plan describes the basic policy of measures to embody the "future image". The system and direction of the measures and the basic projects are clarified, set the target value of each measure, and the roles of citizens and government are specified.

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Fig. Image of Fourth Long-term Comprehensive Plan

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Fig. Tachikawa Fourth Long-term Comprehensive Plan
Population of Tachikawa

It is forecasted that the population of Tachikawa will peak in 2015 after which a population decline is forecasted to begin. In addition, the declining birthrate and progressed aging will accelerate this decline and the proportion of an able-bodied workforce 15–64 years of age will continuously decrease.
The administrative and financial operations of Tachikawa have reached a major turning point caused by changes in population structure exacerbated by a disadvantageous financial situation, etc. Under these circumstances, we will promote measures strategically in order to maintain and improve the administrative services to respond to changes in the trend quickly and appropriately. Furthermore, we will reform administratively and fiscally unbounded by conventional thinking and frameworks, by adhering to the management’s point of view and by improving the quality of general administrative management.

### Policy 1
Promotion of town development in cooperation with citizens

### Policy 2
Effective use of administrative evaluation

### Policy 3
Improvement of efficiency of the organization

### Policy 4
Appropriate working capacity management

### Policy 5
Human resource development to achieve a high-quality administrative management

### Policy 6
Effective maintenance of public facilities, etc.

### Policy 7
Fiscal management with an emphasis on fiscal discipline

### Policy 8
Progress management of the First Half Basic Plan

### Town development strategy

Toward the realization of the future image "communication with peace and prosperity, Tachikawa, especially the comprehensive and cross-sectoral response, required efforts will be positioned as “town development strategy” in order to enhance Tachikawa's inherent strength and potential to can lead to sustainable future growth of the city.

- **Comfort and highly convenient town development marked with charm and vitality**
- **Town development where people can interact with prosperity and smiles**
- **Town development that can send a safe and secure life in the much-loved area**
- **Town development with diversity and a vivacious citizenry**
- **Town development where children can be parented in comfort while fostering civic ideals**
Future image of Tachikawa "The exchange city of peace and bustling, Tachikawa"

Growing up and studying high cultural potential town
- Tailored child rearing and support as child develops and grows
- Promotion of education to foster children who will take charge of the future of the city
- Studying lifelong learning and sports activities and promotion of culture, arts and town development

Policy 1: Promotion of child growth with self-reliance
Policy 2: Promotion of child rearing capability in the home and wider community
Policy 3: Support for children and child care in the home whom require support
Policy 4: Enhancement of school education
Policy 5: Enhancement of education support and educational environment
Policy 6: Improvement of educational capability in cooperation with school, home and wider society.
Policy 7: Realization of a lifelong learning society
Policy 8: Promotion of sports activities
Policy 9: Promotion of culture and artistic activities
Policy 10: Promotion of multicultural coexistence
Policy 11: Promotion of gender equality and gender societal participation

Watch over and support each other
Our town living healthy and at ease
- Promotion of community welfare watching over and supporting each other by local citizens
- Enhancement of safety network supporting safe life

Policy 27: Promotion of community welfare
Policy 28: Promotion of health
Policy 29: Realization of an affluent and long-lived society
Policy 30: Promotion of welfare of disabilities
Policy 31: Enhancement of the security of life
Policy 32: Stable operation of the social insurance system

People interacting with vitality and a variety of values creating town
- Sustainable urban development utilizing integrated city functions
- Creating an attractive town where people gather and interact

Policy 21: Formation of a good urban environment
Policy 22: Construction of a comprehensive traffic environment
Policy 23: Establishment of pedestrian-friendly roads
Policy 24: Creation and transmission of broad-based aesthetic appeal
Policy 25: Activation of a variety of industries
Policy 26: Coexistence of urban and rural commerce

Comfortable city with safe and environmentally friendly
- Ensuring daily safety and preparing and taking measures for disasters
- Maintenance of urban environment and conservation of natural environment
- Establishment of safe and comfortable living environment

Policy 12: Promotion of global warming countermeasures
Policy 13: Waste reduction and recycling
Policy 14: Management of sewer
Policy 15: Conservation of abundant water and green
Policy 16: Ensure a comfortable living environment
Policy 17: Promotion of disaster prevention measures
Policy 18: Promotion of crime prevention measures
Policy 19: Promotion of traffic safety
Policy 20: Improvement of consumer life

Sustainable city corresponding to a decentralized society
- Promotion of efficient and effective administrative management
- Promotion of town development by collaboration

Policy 33: Activation of social activities and local communities
Policy 34: Aggressive transmission and sharing of information
Policy 35: Promotion of scheduled local government management
Policy 36: Promotion of sustainable fiscal management
Policy 37: Strengthening of workplace force and improvement of staff force
Tachikawa city, the exchange city of peace and bustling

Tachikawa City started development from a purely rural village into a central city of the Tama region in 1889 when the Kobu Railway, a predecessor of JR Chuo Line, was established.

In the Taisho era, the Tachikawa Airfield was opened owing to favorable terrain and stable weather conditions. Later, when the Japanese Army Air Force Fifth Air Wing was transferred to Tachikawa, boosting the aviation industry, retailers began to experience a boom in prosperity and thus rapid development was initiated. After World War II, the US Military began its occupation. In 1963, the current city limits was finalized according to the merger of the former Sunagawa Town.

In 1977, the US Tachikawa Air Base, 580ha, was formally and fully returned to Japan. The National Showa Kinen Park and the wide-area disaster prevention base were established and various national organizations were also transferred to the returned site. In 2000, the Tama Monorail was completely opened and the present foundation of the current city development was formed. Now, as our country is entering a period of low fertility, population aging and population decline unprecedented in Japanese history will continue to have an impact. It is inevitable this phenomenon will influence the future of Tachikawa City. It is therefore vital that we direct our resources to achieve a positive result for future generations.

The Tachikawa City will further enhance the development of the culture, education and industries in order to build sufficient smiles to local communities. Now, we have established the "Tachikawa city, the exchange city of peace and bustling" as our future image.

The Fourth Long-term Comprehensive Plan was established as the guide to build the future for the next 10 years of Tachikawa in close cooperation with the citizenry, business establishments and administration.

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Fourth Long-term Comprehensive Plan:
This booklet is a summary version of the Fourth Long-term Comprehensive Plan.
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