

Ikeda City; priding itself in the Creation of a Safe City Ordinance

The Ikeda city in which we live is teeming with people brought up in a culture originating from a rich history and abundant natural beauty located in the north-west area of Osaka city, with the Inagawa river to the west and Satsukiyama at its center. In the 70 years since becoming Ikeda city, it has striven to protect its citizens from violence, crime, traffic accidents, disasters through its declaration as a peaceful and safe city, and laid the foundation with its enactment of the Ikeda City Citizen's Security Ordinance.

Last year in order to ensure the safety of the city as a whole, including the safety of schools, Ikeda city underwent a complete change from the school guard system to a whole city guard system.

Fifteen years since the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake and nine years since the massacre at Ikeda Elementary School attached to Osaka-Kyoiku University, the Ikeda City Citizen's Security Ordinance was advanced even further to protect the citizens of Ikeda becoming the "Ikeda City; Priding itself in the Creation of a Safe City Ordinance", which was introduced and approved by the municipal assembly in March and came into effect on April 1st, 2010.

We are sending out the message to the world that we are an "International Safety City".

We sincerely hope that from hereon, Ikeda city, the citizens, local groups and related organizations will all come together and do their part to work towards the creation of a safe and secure city while having mutual respect for one another, and at the same time cooperate with city policies in times of emergency.