# Outline of Subsidy from the City of Okayama for Inbound Foreign Tourists

"Project of Encouraging Foreign Tourists to Visit and Stay in Okayama City"

If you implement a group tour from overseas visiting and staying overnight at accommodation in Okayama City, a subsidy will be offered.

#### **《Summary》**

What is the subsidy?: A subsidy will be offered to travel agencies that implement group tours from overseas which involve visiting and staying overnight at accommodation in Okayama City.

Who receives a subsidy?: Travel agencies

#### Requirements:

- -A tour is to be organized for 5 people or more and all tour members are to stay overnight at accommodation in Okayama City.
- -Subsidy is available for overseas travelers on sightseeing tours of Okayama city, and also groups of travelers visiting for other purposes (events, school trips, and so on.)

## Subsidy amount (per tour member):

- -3,000 yen per night, 6,000yen per two nights (Subsidy can only be granted for up to two nights maximum)
- -up to 150,000 yen per group, 750,000 yen in total per travel agency & per fiscal year
  - \*These two days do not need to be consecutive.
- \*The number of tour members does not include tour conductors in calculation of the subsidy amount.
- \*The subsidy can be offered even when you receive a subsidy from Okayama Prefectural Government.

### Application procedure:

#### <Application>

Application should basically be submitted by post or E-mail within 30 days after the concerned tour is completed.

- 1. Application & Claim Form (Template No.1)
- 2. Documents issued by accommodation, which show the group name, accommodation dates, and number of group members.
  - Proof by Accommodation (see the attached official form of "Project of Encouraging Foreign Tourists to Visit and Stay in Okayama City") or a copy of the receipt.
- 3. Documents stating the tour schedule
- 4. (Only for the first-time application) Documents proving the name of the bank/account number, such as a copy of the passbook that you would like the subsidy to be transferred.

### Note:

- 1. If you would like to apply for the subsidy, please consult with us in advance.
- 2. The Application Form should be written clearly and must be easy to read, using only Japanese Yen.
- 3. The bank transfer fee for payment of the subsidy is to be charged to a travel agency.
- 4. If we spent the whole amount of the budget for the program, we finish offering the subsidy even during the fiscal year.

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## Okayama City Official Website:

(Top Page > Tourism, event > Sightseeing and convention information>Tourist information)

Subsidy Program for Travel Agencies that implement tours from overseas visiting and staying the night at accommodation in Okayama City.

https://www.city.okayama.jp/kankou/oooooo4620.html