

About Ryokuen-toshi Residential Area

Ryokuen-toshi is located within the range of 35km from Tokyo and was developed around Ryokuen-toshi Station of Izumino Line (Futamatagawa-Shonandai) of Sagami Railway Co., Ltd. which runs through the western part of Yokohama city.

Its development started in 1974 based on the rezoning system of land and the sale of houses began in November, 1986. The original development plan was: total area 1.2million m2, population 18,000, number of houses: detached houses, 2,834; condominiums 1761; others 143. It is a quiet residential area surrounded by Kodomo Shizen Koen (Natural Park for Children), Totsuka Country Club (golf course), etc.

According to the statistics of May 2013, Ryokuen-toshi has the population of 14,590 and the total number of households of 5793.

Urban plan road (Nakata-Sachigaoka Line) runs from south to north as trunk one in the area and main roads are arranged functionally with the Plaza in front of the Station at its center.

Electric cables were buried under the ground removing utility poles along the trunk road and semi-trunk ones.

In residential area, cul-de-sacs (blind alleys) or loop-turns (loop-shaped roads) were introduced in order to secure the safety, and view and safety was considerably taken into consideration for its planning.

"Ivy" was adopted as symbol of urban design of Ryokuen-toshi, imaging the growing process of stem and leaf, and used as sign on address-indicating-plates, in front of entrance of individual house, on station platforms, sidewalks, etc. in the form of picture tiles.

Basic theme of community planning at Ryokuen-toshi is "creative town planning in pursuit of human nature" and the goal was set in order to give a good impression of "Yokohama Style", becoming to the name of Yokohama, i.e. neat and clean, and good sense.

To materialize this theme, the whole area was likened as a high-class membership resort hotel.

So, Ryokuen-toshi was developed under the idea of: the station is regarded as entrance and lobby of the hotel; pedestrians roads as guests passages; meeting places such as Ryokuen Club House etc. as lounges of the hotel; culture hall and sports facilities as resort amenities and commercial establishments as hotel arcades.









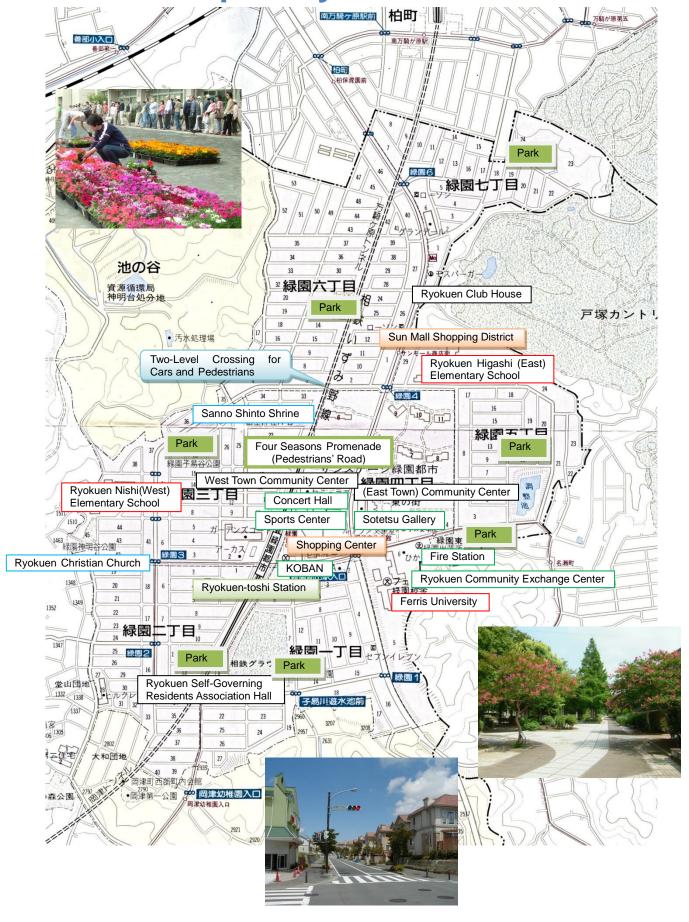


About Ryokuen-toshi Community Association (RCA)

Considering the whole area of Ryokuen as common property, Land Owners, Property Purchasers, and the Developer got united to act together for maintaining favorable environment and rich greenery of Ryokuen and established Ryokuen-toshi Community Association in April, 1987 as Japan's first community-developing organization propelled mainly by residents, separately from a customary self-governing residents' association. At its establishment, Homeowner's Association of residential areas in U.S.A. was taken into consideration as reference.

Outline of the Association		
	Name	Ryokuen-toshi Community Association (called RCA for short)
	Purpose	Community-developing activities in Ryokuen residential area
	Foundation	April, 1987
	Address	1-1-10 Ryokuen, Izumi-ku, Yokohama, Kanagawa 245-0002, Japan TEL / FAX: 045-812-8307
	Members	Residents, Stores, Ferris University, Special Guest (Sagami Railway Group) 3800 households
	Member Fee	140yen/month/household
	Representative	Yoshihiro Ueshima
	Management & Operation	RCA activities are managed and operated by the following 6 committees. •Greening Promotion Committee •Community Development & Environment Maintenance •Cultural Activity Committee •International Exchange Committee •Circles & Sports Committee •Public Relations Committee
	Residential Area Sister Tie-up	Radburn Association, Fairlawn, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Map of Ryokuen-toshi



Main Facilities of Ryokuen-toshi

1	Ryokuen-toshi Station
2	KOBAN (Police box)
3	Shopping Center
4	RCA office
5	Ferris University
6	Fire Station
7	Ryokuen Community Exchange Center
8	Sotetsu Gallery (Culture Hall)
9	Sports Center
1 0	Concert Hall
1 1	Nishino Machi (West Town) Community Center
1 2	Higashino Machi (East Town) Community Center
1 3	Ryokuen Club House
1 4	Ryokuen Self-Governing Residents Association Hall
1 5	Four Seasons Promenade (Pedestrians' Road)
1 6	Two-Level Crossing for Cars and Pedestrians
1 7	Parks
1 8	Ryokuen Christian Church
1 9	Sanno Shinto Shrine
2 0	Ryokuen Nishi(West) Elementary School
2 1	Ryokuen Higashi (East) Elementary School
2 2	Sun Mall Shopping District
2 3	Sun Stage East Town
2 4	Sun Stage West Town
2 5	Inter-Junction City (Commercial Buildings)
2 6	Independent Houses







































