

Date: October 29, 2024

To Hisashi Oyamada
Mayor, Towada City
Chair, Towada City Safe Community Steering Committee

**Re: International Accreditation of Towada City as a member of
the International Safe Community Network (4th designation)**

Dear Mayor Oyamada,

We are pleased to inform you that the appointed certifiers have recommended that we, on the basis of their audit, to give clearance for re- designation to Towada City as an International Safe Community.

We therefore now inform you that Towada City is ready for designation.

Attached you may read our guidelines for the designation process.

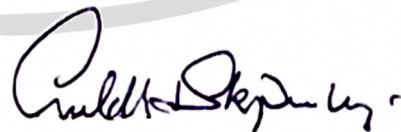
Before the designation, we take it for granted that you will write a report about the good example that was discussed during the evaluation process.

We congratulate you to your good work for safety.

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Guidelines for the community

1.Designation

Location and internal invitations to the designation

Designation is a very important day for the safe community work. It is a day when the work of the cross-sector group responsible for safety promotion in the community and representatives for all the parts in the community; political parties and commissions, administrative units and non-governmental organizations together celebrate the important work they have done. It is also a manifestation for future collaboration in the program. It is therefore a prerequisite that

- *All involved representatives are invited*
- *The designation process takes place in the community*

External invitations to the designation

1. The Safe Community Support Centres have an agreement with International Safe Community Support Centres to support Safe Communities. It is therefore important to invite them.
2. One of the pillar stones for Safe Communities is that non-governmental organisations, different groups of interested citizens and so on are involved in the work for increased safety. It is therefore a good opportunity to invite all to the ceremony
3. The Safe Community network has many communities interested in the work of developing safety. It is a significant undertaking, that no one person can do on their own. It is therefore necessary for all members to collaborate and share experiences and results from different projects. It is therefore important to invite all members who are in the geographical area.
4. Invite also communities that are interested and those undergoing the process of becoming members in the network.

Tentative program for the ceremony

1. A short presentation of the Safe Community work and experience by the local leader.
2. The certifier makes a presentation of the International Safe Community Network, the importance of working for Safe Communities and takes examples from other communities.
3. All who shall sign the agreement should appear at the podium.
4. The document will be signed (use document safe pencil)
5. The certifier declares the community as a Safe Community and a member of the international network.
6. A brass plaque will be handed over as well as a Safe Community flag. Some fanfare by trumpets or some other musical arrangements should be performed.
7. The certifier reads the congratulation letter from the chairman.
8. Congratulations are then given from other Safe Communities and others.