

## Sister Affiliations between New Zealand and Japan

As of 1 April, 2026

### 〈North Island〉

|    | Local Government         | Partner           |            | Established on    |
|----|--------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|
|    |                          | Local Government  | Prefecture |                   |
| 1  | Far North                | Yuasa             | Wakayama   | 13 May, 1993      |
| 2  | Auckland                 | Tomioka           | Fukushima  | 6 December, 1983  |
| 3  | Auckland                 | Fukuoka           | Fukuoka    | 24 June, 1986     |
| 4  | Auckland                 | Shinagawa         | Tokyo      | 17 May, 1993      |
| 5  | Auckland                 | Kakogawa          | Hyogo      | 4 May, 1992       |
| 6  | Auckland                 | Utsunomiya        | Tochigi    | 24 February, 1982 |
| 7  | Pukekohe, Franklin       | Hara              | Nagano     | 26 July, 2002     |
| 8  | Thames Coromandel        | Misaki            | Okayama    | 4 August, 2016    |
| 9  | Warkworth, Rodney        | Furudono          | Fukushima  | 20 October, 1999  |
| 10 | Whakatāne District       | Kamagaya          | Chiba      | 16 November, 1997 |
| 11 | Hamilton                 | Saitama           | Saitama    | 14 May, 1984      |
| 12 | Taupo                    | Hakone            | Kanagawa   | 7 October, 1987   |
| 13 | Turangi Tongariro, Taupo | Kitashiobara      | Fukushima  | 7 November, 1997  |
| 14 | Cambridge, Waipa         | Bihoro            | Hokkaido   | 12 October, 1997  |
| 15 | Waitomo                  | Tatsuno           | Nagano     | 30 March, 1995    |
| 16 | Rotorua                  | Beppu             | Oita       | 10 July, 1987     |
| 17 | Whakatāne District       | Shibukawa         | Gunma      | 7 November, 2016  |
| 18 | Tauranga                 | Hitachi           | Ibaraki    | 18 April, 1988    |
| 19 | Tauranga                 | Susaki            | Kochi      | 19 December, 1997 |
| 20 | New Plymouth             | Mishima           | Shizuoka   | 29 April, 1991    |
| 21 | Gisborne                 | Nonoichi          | Ishikawa   | 30 March, 1990    |
| 22 | Napier                   | Tomakomai         | Hokkaido   | 22 April, 1980    |
| 23 | Wairoa                   | Kitaibaraki       | Ibaraki    | 8 May, 1999       |
| 24 | Hutt                     | Minoh             | Osaka      | 16 July, 1995     |
| 25 | Masterton                | Hatsukaichi       | Hiroshima  | 21 April, 1998    |
| 26 | Porirua                  | Nishio            | Aichi      | 15 December, 1993 |
| 27 | Wellington               | Sakai             | Osaka      | 4 February, 1994  |
| 28 | Horowhenua               | Narita(Shimofusa) | Chiba      | 31 January, 1995  |
| 29 | Ruapehu                  | Toyooka(Hidaka)   | Hyogo      | 11 July, 2000     |
| 30 | Whanganui                | Nagaizumi         | Shizuoka   | 29 April, 1988    |
| 31 | Palmerston North         | Mihara            | Hiroshima  | 21 March, 2019    |

### 〈South Island〉

|    | Local Government | Partner                |            | Established on    |
|----|------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------------|
|    |                  | Local Government       | Prefecture |                   |
| 32 | Richmond, Tasman | Fujimi                 | Nagano     | 28 October, 1993  |
| 33 | Motueka, Tasman  | Kiyosato               | Hokkaido   | 7 September, 1997 |
| 34 | Nelson           | Miyazu                 | Kyoto      | 7 May, 1976       |
| 35 | Marlborough      | Tendo                  | Yamagata   | 7 July, 1989      |
| 36 | Marlborough      | Otari                  | Nagano     | 16 January, 1991  |
| 37 | Ashburton        | Minamiuonuma(Shiozawa) | Niigata    | 14 October, 1987  |
| 38 | Christchurch     | Kurashiki              | Okayama    | 7 March, 1973     |
| 39 | Selwyn           | Akitakata(Takamiya)    | Hiroshima  | 9 September, 1992 |
| 40 | Selwyn           | Yubetsu                | Hokkaido   | 14 July, 2000     |
| 41 | Timaru           | Eniwa                  | Hokkaido   | 13 February, 2008 |
| 42 | Clutha           | Nantan(Hiyoshi)        | Kyoto      | 7 November, 2002  |
| 43 | Dunedin          | Otaru                  | Hokkaido   | 25 July, 1980     |
| 44 | Invercargill     | Kumagaya               | Saitama    | 20 April, 1993    |

※ Due to council amalgamations, the current council name for the numbers below,  
7, 9 Auckland,