

## History of TIFA

- 1985 Founded in Toyonaka City as a private voluntary organization aiming multicultural co-existence in our society.
- 1986 TIFA and some other groups formed "Toyonaka Citizens' Network for International Exchange". Since then, we hold "International Network Festival" every year.
- 1993 Toyonaka International Center was built as a base for citizens' international activities.
- 1995 Started a project to support rural women's development in Sindhuli, Nepal.
- 1999 Started to operate orphan girls' home "TIFA Happy Girls' Home" in Nepal.
- 2000 Opened its own office at Kita-sakurazuka, Toyonaka City.
- 2000 Got certified as a specified nonprofit organization.
- 2004 Started Thai-Japan youth friendship program.
- 2005 Held its 20th anniversary "Asia Youth Forum".
- 2007 Started "TIFA International Summer Camp for Children".
- 2012 Opened "TIFA Cafe Sapana"

### [AWARDS etc.]

- 1996 Friendly City Osaka Award
- 2003 NPO Award for Mothers & Childrens' Salon
- 2003 Letter of thanks from Osaka University
- 2006 Letter of thanks from Mayor of Toyonaka
- 2007 Letter of thanks from Governor of Osaka
- 2008 Kamenori Award from Kamenori Foundation

## How to Join

Following types of members are available. If you are interested in TIFA's activity, please contact TIFA office. (You can join our activity before becoming a TIFA member)

**<Active Member>** Entrance fee: ¥2,000  
Fee: ¥3,000/6 months (¥500 per month)  
Active members have right to vote at general meetings.

**<Support Member>**  
Support fee: ¥3,000/a year or more  
Newsletters and other information will be mailed regularly.

**TIFA Nepal Project Supporters Club**  
Support fee: ¥5,000/a year  
Any donation will be accepted at anytime.

For further information, please contact TIFA office.

Non Profit Organization  
**Toyonaka International Friendship  
Association (TIFA)**

Address: 3-3-3 Honmachi, Toyonaka City,  
Osaka 560-0021, Japan

TEL & FAX: 06-6840-1014

E-mail: tifa99@nifty.ne.jp

URL: <http://homepage1.nifty.com/tifa/>

Office hours: Monday to Friday 9:30-17:00  
(except holidays)



Non Profit Organization

# Toyonaka International Friendship Association ( T I F A )



Cosmos field hiking  
(Multicultural Mothers & Childrens' Salon)

INTRODUCTION

## Activities

### Global Understanding

TIFA organizes or coordinates programs for our local community which encourage multi-cultural understanding.

- \* International understanding classes at school
- \* International Summer Camp for children
- \* Seminars and salons for global understanding



International Summer Camp

### International Exchange

The starting point of TIFA's activity is close and pleasant intercultural exchange.

- \* Home visit program for foreign students
- \* Thai-Japan youth friendship program
- \* English conversation classes for communication
- \* Various events for friendly exchange and mutual understanding

Introducing Japanese culture at school in the USA.



TIFA is founded in Nov.1985 as a private voluntary organization in Toyonaka City, Osaka, Japan, aiming multicultural co-existence in our society.

TIFA got certified as a specified nonprofit organization in July 2000, to advance its local & global activities to realize an unconstrained society for all residents irrespective of differences in nationality or cultural background.

### Supporting Foreign Residents

We support people from other countries to live comfortably in our community.

- \* Mothers and children's multicultural salon
- \* Japanese classes for foreign residents
- \* Interpretation service at City Office, etc.



Small Japanese class for non-Japanese workers and students



Recycle bazaar for foreign students

### International Cooperation

We also develop overseas programs for international cooperation.

- \* Empowering disadvantaged women and children in Nepal (TIFA Nepal Project)
- \* Dispatching volunteer staff to Thai Shinburi School to teach Japanese.
- \* Fund-raising campaign etc. for emergency in disaster area
- \* Developing and selling 'Fair Trade Goods'



'Happy Girls' Home' (Girls' orphanage in Nepal)

Welcome to **TIFA Cafe SAPANA**

TIFA opened a community-based cafe "Sapana" in March 2012.

Here you can enjoy daily lunch served by cooks from various countries, and ethnic snacks, sweets, drinks, etc.

**WE LOVE HAVING YOU HERE!**

Location: 3-3-3 Honmachi, Toyonaka City, Osaka (1st floor of TIFA office)

e-mail: tifa99@nifty.ne.jp

Sapana= "Dream" in Nepali language

