

About the Kesen County

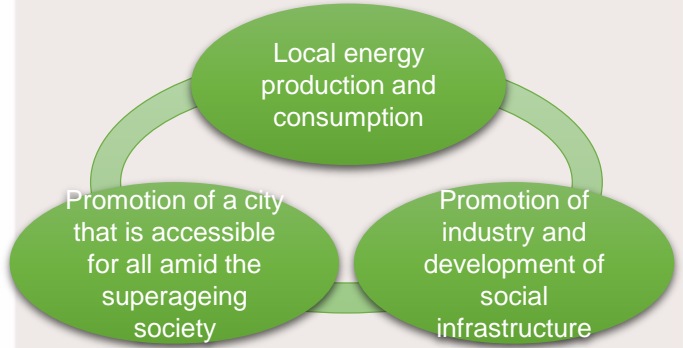
- Population: approx. 62,000
- Area: 889.29km²
- Features: a region made up coastal cities Ofunato and Rikuzentakata and forest town Sumita, which have traditionally worked together

Left: Goishi Coast, Ofunato
Center: Sumita Town (Top) Taneyamagahara Plateau (Bottom) Rokando Cave
Right: The miracle pine of Rikuzentakata



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The vision for a future community of Kesen Regional City FutureCity

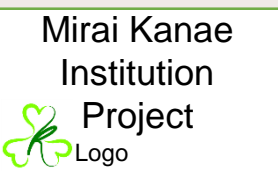


Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

Building a progressive cooperation model for medicine and nursing

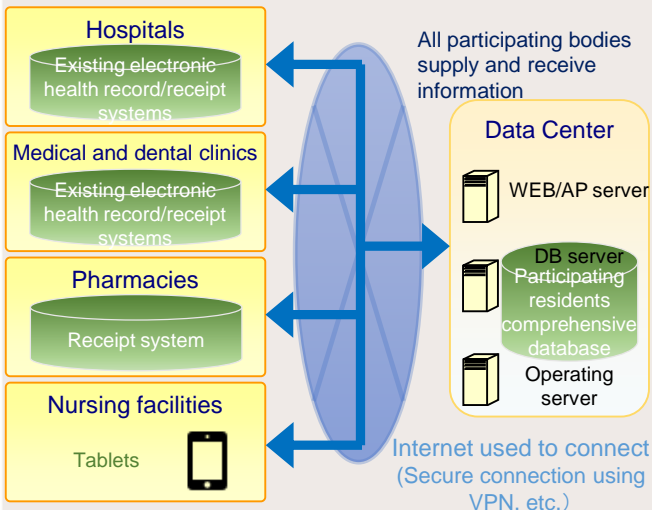
Project parent: Mirai Kanae Institution (est. April 2015)

An organization made up of Healthcare, Nursing, Health and Welfare providers (medical association, dentist association, pharmacists, nursing facilities, local government, etc.)

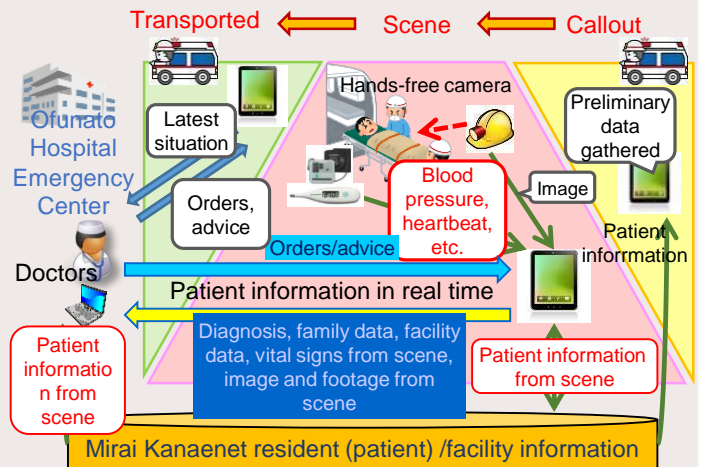


- Runs Mirai Kanaenet (the network system for regional medical and nursing information)
- Works to strengthen community nursing
- Projects to address a superageing community

Mirai Kanaenet illustrated



Mirai Kanaenet in emergencies



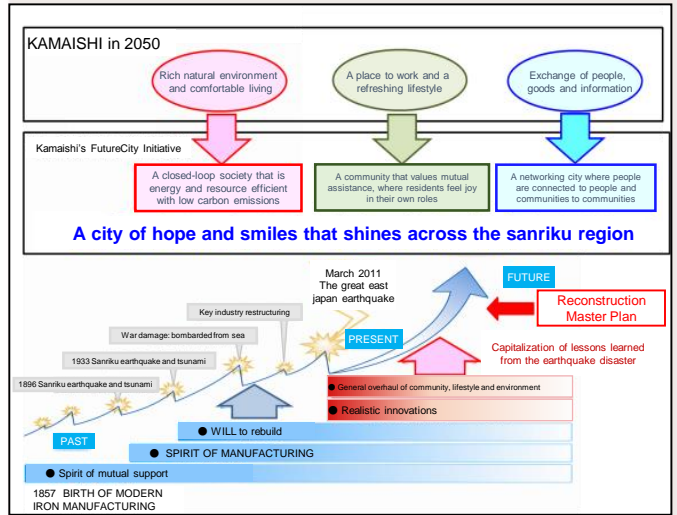
About Kamaishi City

- Population: Approx. 35,000
- Area: 440.34 km²
- 89.2% Forest
- Main Industries:
Machinery Manufacturing,
Fishery



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Kamaishi's FutureCity Initiative



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Revision of the Resilient Strategy by Applying SDGs

Based on the background and outcomes of the FutureCity Initiative, apply the SDGs in the city's Resilient Strategy, a comprehensive strategy for municipalities, people and jobs, and specify the relationship between each policy and the SDGs (May 2018)

FutureCity Initiative

- Work on creating a smart city
- Promote regional comprehensive care
- Develop the Field Museum



Resilient Strategy

- Promotion of vacation rentals with collaboration with Airbnb
- "Meetup Kamaishi" for a public participatory experience program in tourism
- "Local Venture Community" for assistance in immigration and business startup
- "KAMAISHI Compass" for career education for high school students
- Discovery of potential workforce through the job site "Gokinjyobu" and the ultra short time work style "Puti Kinmu"
- A semi-private coordinator "KAMAENTAI"

Diverse organizations sowing the seeds of the SDGs



Kamaishi Unosumai Memorial Stadium
Opening event for promoting the SDGs



Workshop on SDGs awareness in a city of crafts



Launching businesses through a circular economy (Production of wooden cutlery)



Citizens' forum on "A sustainable world, regions, and us" (October 7, 2017)

Foster various relations to make the city become a resilient local society where everyone can realize self-determination

About Iwanuma City

- Population: Approx. 44,300
- Area: 60.45 km²
- Tourist attractions: Takekoma Inari Shrine, Millennium Hope Hills, etc.

Takekoma Inari Shrine



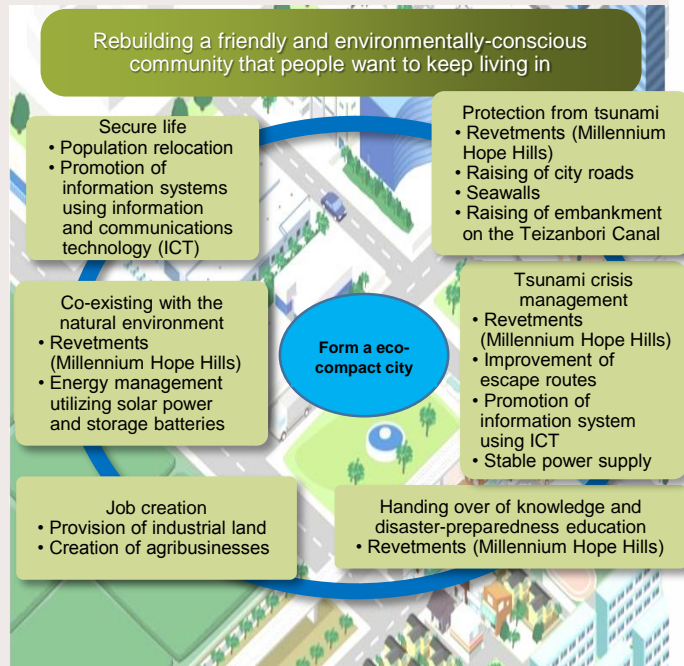
▲ (One of Japan's three great Inari shrines)

Revetments (Millennium Hope Hills)



▲ (Part of the rubble from the earthquake was recycled to build the hills. The photograph on the right is of an event to plant trees along the garden's perimeter.)

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The first collective disaster-prevention relocation in the region affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake, carried out at the initiative of the community residents. (Town declared open in July 2015)



Solar farm built on former agricultural land that could not be rehabilitated due to subsidence, etc. caused by the Great East Japan Earthquake. One of the largest in the earthquake-affected area.



About Minamisoma City

- Population: approx. 60,600
- Area: 398.50km²

Soma Nomaioi Festival, a magnificent re-enactment of a battle scene from the Warring States Period and Shimiten, a fried rice cake confectionery that blends Japanese and Western influence.



The Nomaioi has over a thousand years of history



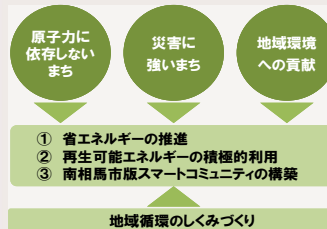
Crunchy on the outside, soft in the middle. The soul food of Minamisoma

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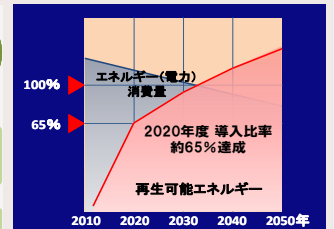
The Minamisoma Vision for Promotion of Renewable Energy

Creating a local cycle of renewable energy production and consumption.

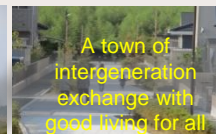
Basic tenets



Renewable energy targets



Installation of renewables



A town of intergeneration exchange with good living for all

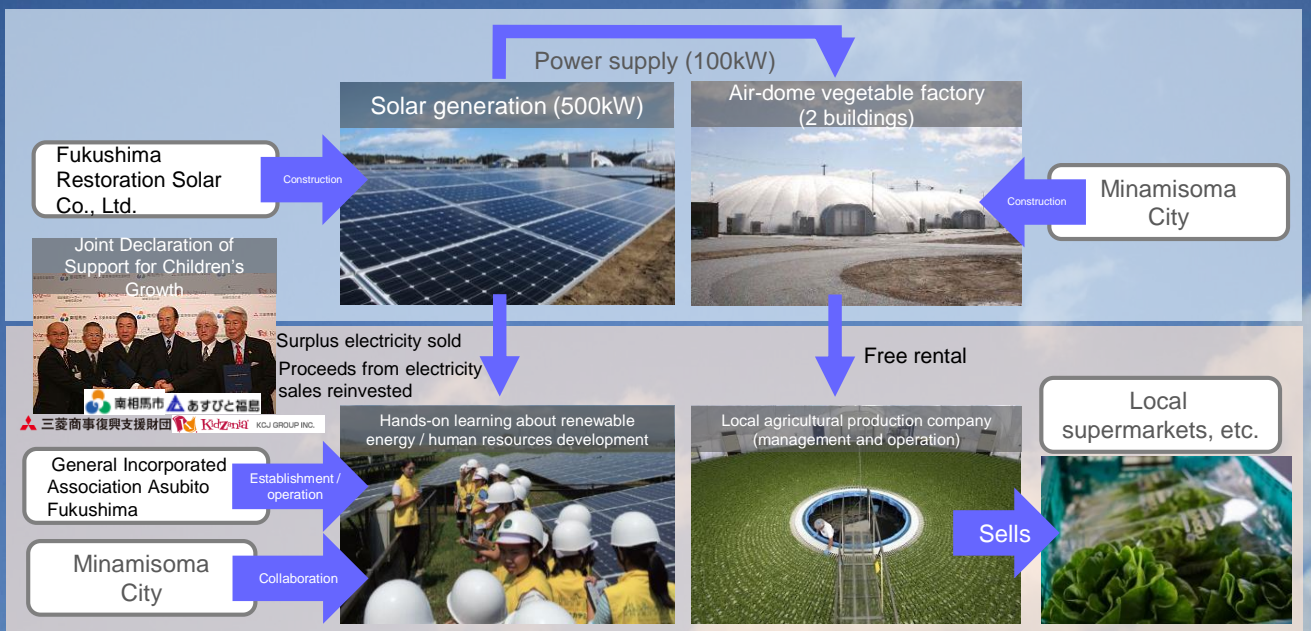


Revival of primary industry

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Minamisoma Solar Agripark Project

Public-private partnership developed as a local closed loop model project, through a combination of solar power generation, vegetable factories, and hands-on learning.



About Shinchi Town

- Population: 8,208
- Area: 46.69 km²
- Main industries: Agriculture, electricity,
- Specialty products: garlic chives, tomatoes, figs
- Town's flower, tree, bird and fish: Cherry blossom, pine, pheasant and flounder



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Latter Term Basic Plan in the Fifth Shinchi Town Comprehensive Plan

“Building a safe and secure town co-existing with nature and environment”: The town utilizes nature energy and local energy, uses them and improves the efficiency of their use in the town and promotes to build a town realizing co-existence with the environment.

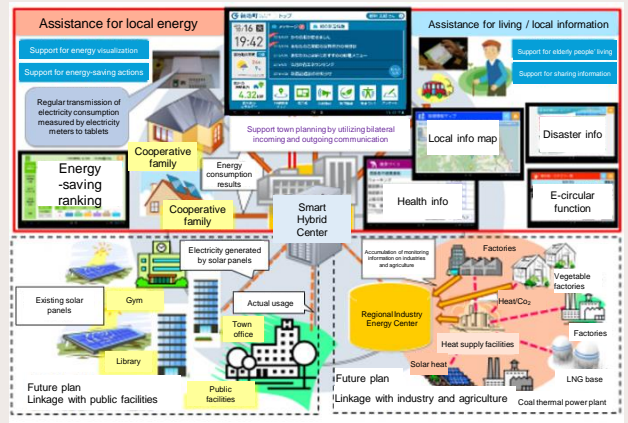


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Overview of the Reconstruction of Shinchi Town Based on Environmental/Industrial Co-existence

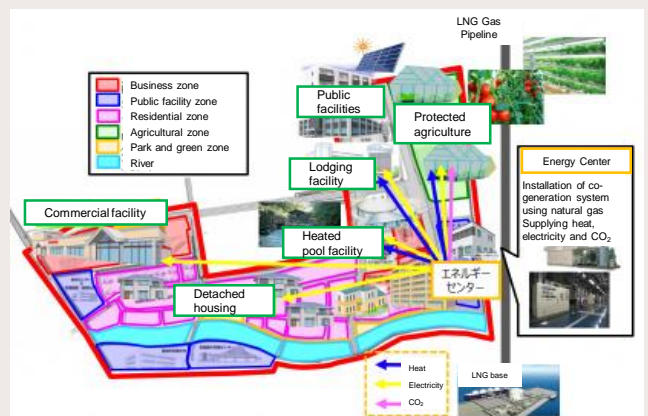
“Creation of a smart hybrid network” by various locally-decentralized and autonomous energy supply

The project creates bidirectional information network infrastructure related to local energy and aging communities, promotes to share information in the region, supports to encourage energy-saving actions in cooperation with the region and reconstruct live including assistance for elderly people.



Town Planning around Shinchi Station and Local Energy Production “Development of the Smart Community Project”

The town implements the Smart Community Project integrally with the town planning around the station. By utilizing LNG natural gas from the Soma Port, a co-generation system supplies heat and electricity to facilities near the station. The town has also created autonomous, decentralized local energy systems to supply CO₂ to agricultural production facilities.



About Kashiwa City

- Population: Approx. 420,000
- Area: 114.74 km²
- Main industry: Retail, restaurant
- Local specialty product: Turnips (largest production region in Japan)
- Tourist attractions: Teganuma



Commercial complex at Kashiwa Railway Station



Turnip, the local specialty product



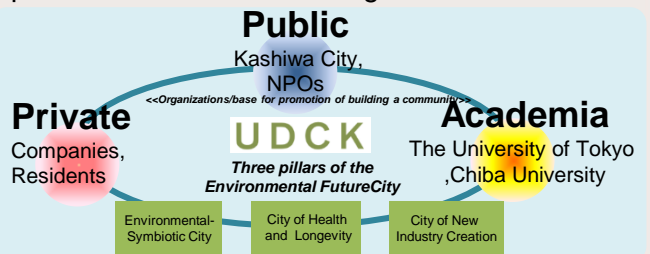
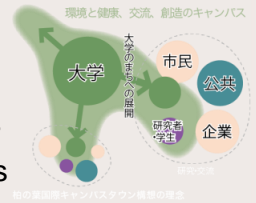
Teganuma (waterfront environment)

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Kashiwanoha International Campus Town Initiative

The concept is “Harmony between University and City”

The town image the initiative strives toward is becoming as rich in quality and greenery as a university campus and transitioning into a place of intellectual exchange



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Base for Building a Community through Public-Private-Academic Partnerships [UDCK]



Kashiwanoha Campus district



Appearance of UDCK



Bring vitality through using public spaces(Marche Couleur)

Basic concept for building a Kashiwa-no-ha community

In addition to the public sector which has been the main player for building a community, the initiative aims for “next-generation community building” through public-private-academic partnerships making the best use of driving powers of the private sector and cutting-edge knowledge of universities.



Scheme and organizations for public-private-academic partnerships Urban Design Center Kashiwa-no-ha (UDCK)

Sharing future vision

Kashiwanoha International Campus Town Initiative



Cooperating and promoting activities by co-operated centers

Urban Design Center Kashiwa-no-ha

Expansion of the urban design center to nationwide

