## Brief Introduction of Togitsu-cho

## History of Togitsu-cho

The origins of Togitsu-cho have not become completely clear yet. However, it is known that it was called Togitsu in the Kamakura Era.

A history of the medieval land development of Togitsu-cho originates with the Togitsu clan as *Shokan*, the manor owner, or *Jito*, the land steward, that belonged to Omura Province at least as far back as the Muromachi Era. Togitsu once belong to the Arima clan instead since the Omura clan lost a war at Nakatake Castle.



A "Guidepost" with arrows to Nagasaki and Nagayo areas

In the Meiji Era, Togitsu belonged to Nagasaki Prefecture due to the abolition of the han system. In 1872, Meiji 5, Togitsu-mura, Nishitogitsu-mura and Hinami-mura merged to form a new settlement called Togitsu-mura. In the same year, Togitsu-mura's local address was changed to 'the 15th Area, 3rd Sector' due to Kusei, the block registry system. In 1879, Meiji 12, Gunsei, the provincial system, was put in practice to replace Kusei, and Togitsu-mura was incorporated to Nishisonogi-gun. On the 1st of April, 1889, Meiji 22, Choson-sei, township system, came into effect, and Mr. Hei-ichi Kikuchi was elected the first mayor of Togitsu-mura.

On the first of December, 1951, Showa 26, Togitsu-mura was converted to Togitsu-cho, and the 12th mayor, Mr. Sadao Yokoyama, was made the first mayor of Togitsu-cho.

After becoming a *Cho*, or town, Shishigawa-go became a part of Togitsu-cho on the 15th of January, 1959, Showa 34. the Yokoo area, which used to belong to Togitsu-cho, was moved to Nagasaki-shi on the 1st of April, 1973, Showa 48. In 1962, Showa 37, Togitsu-cho was designated as Toshi-Keikaku-Kuiki, the Urban Development Area, and again as Shin-Toshi-Keikaku-Kuiki, the Revised Urban Development Area on 1969, Showa 44. The population began to grow around

these times. From August 1966, Showa 41, Togitsu-cho became a town of minor or medium-sized manufacturing firms by starting landfilling and inviting factories and began to be called Togitsu-Rinkai-Kogyo-Chiiki, Togitsu Waterfront Industrial Area.

In recent years, Togitsu-cho has an increasing number of suburban shopping malls. It has been developing as a hub of industrial transportation and a place of exchange for people and products.

The population at the time of 2020 census, Reiwa 2: 29,339

The number of households: 11,435

Area as of the 1st of April, 2024, Reiwa 6: 20.94 km<sup>2</sup>

## The Geographical Location of Togitsu-cho

Eastern terminus, Ozono: 129°52' 13" E

Northern terminus, Kuroshima: 32°53' 17" N

Western terminus, Torobuku: 129°47' 10" E

Southern terminus, Uchizaka: 32°48′ 37" N



Togitsu-cho is located to the north of Nagasaki-shi. The western and southern area connect to Kinkai, Mie, Yokoo, Nameshi areas; the eastern part borders Nagayo-cho, and the northern area faces a calm Omura bay. Togitsu-cho itself looks L shaped from the north-west to the south-east, 7 kilometers from the east to the west, 9 kilometers from the north to the south, covering 20.94 km² of area.

#### Local address for Togitsu Cityhall

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#### The Citizens 'Charter

We hereby establish this charter with our affection to our hometown, Togistu-cho, that is surrounded by beautiful nature, and the honor of the Togitsu citizenship.

Develop an attractive and comfortable town

Develop a clean, harmonious town

Develop a town of decency and happiness

Develop a cultural town to educate liberal mind

Develop a productive industrial town



Monument (at the entrance to the Sakino natural park)

## Town emblem

This emblem was chosen from the entries submitted by the public when the town organization was established on December 1st, 1951. The circle open on the right part symbolizes Omura bay, and the tip of the inverse triangle indicates the location of Togitsu-cho, which is in the depths of Omura bay. In addition, the complete emblem represents the symbolized *hiragana* character of "\mathcal{E}" of Togitsu-cho.



Town emblem

### Town tree: camphor tree

This tree symbolizes our hope that the young people in our town grow up to be impressive because camphor trees attract people with their gentle appearance and becomes large and impressive with the passage of time. (July 1, 1989 establishment).



Symbol tree: camphor tree

#### Town flower: Cosmos

Cosmos is a beautiful flower which grows very easily and symbolizes the harmony and order of the cosmos. Accordingly, the flower represents our hope that our town can enjoy prosperity with harmony and order (July 1, 1989 establishment).



Town flower: Cosmos

# Mascot/ Illustrated image of Togitsu

This mascot was chosen from the entries submitted by the public as a memento of the creation of the town organization's 50th anniversary (March 2001). With our town flower "cosmos", this mascot depicts a cheerful child combined with the initial *hiragana* character of "と" of Togitsu-cho. The illustration to the right of Togitsu ("とぎつ") symbolizes the brave figure of a body soaring to the 21st century confidently. It connects three *hiragana* characters "と" "ざ" "つ" is combined with the symbol ∞ which signifies infinite).



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