
Madison Sister City Delegation to Obihiro, Japan

— Presentation to CCEC —

Attendees from Madison

- Mayor Rhodes-Conway
 - Mayor's Partner, Amy
 - Alder Govindarajan
 - Alder Figueroa Cole
 - Laila D'Costa (Coordinator)
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- Jo Oyama-Miller (Madison-Obihiro Board President)
 - Patrick Miles (Board member)
 - Emma Hahn (Board member)



Purpose of the Trip

- Strengthen our relationship between Obihiro and Madison
- Celebrate the 20th year anniversary of our Sister City relationship
- Share best practices in local governance, sustainability, and community development
- Represent the City of Madison and its residents on an international stage

About Obihiro

Population: ~160,000

Midsized City with strong University
Communities

Known for Agriculture, sustainability and
green spaces

Famously known for its Horse Racing

Home to the Obihiro University of Agriculture
and Veterinary Medicine



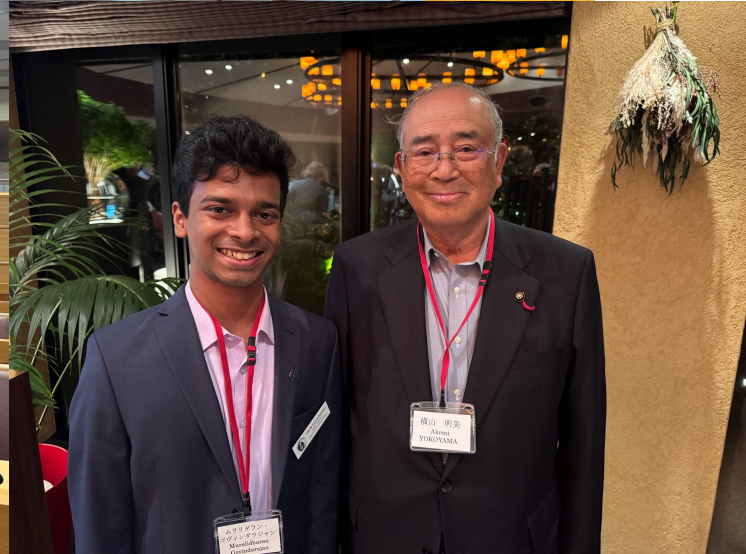
Highlights!



Obihiro Museum

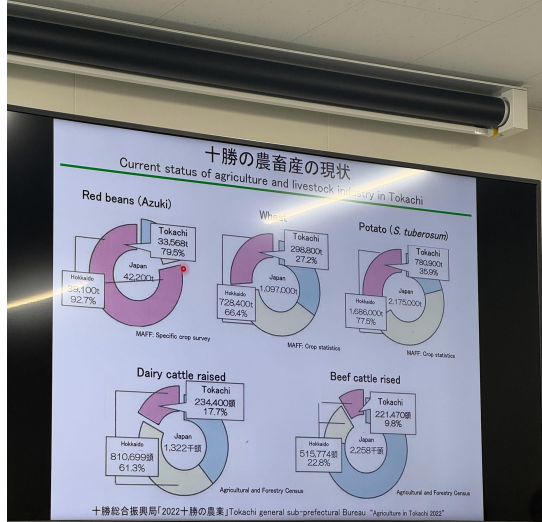
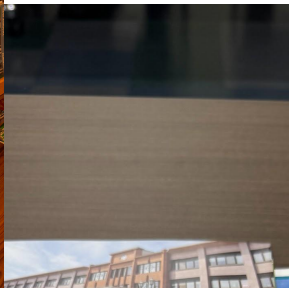


Obihiro Mayor & Council





Obihiro Sister City's Corner





Obihiro University

Farms! Lots of farms





Cultural Exchange

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Obihiro High School



Goodbye
Obihiro!

What We Learned / Takeaways

Ald. Govindarajan: Vending machines everywhere, allows for easy access to water & hydration

Ald. Figueroa Cole: ecosystem of support for farmers, complex and diverse transit systems, share a common responsibility to protect the environment

Mayor Rhodes-Conway: Small garbage and fire trucks, LED streetlights designed to shed snow



Obihiro → Madison

The City of Obihiro will be visiting Madison later this Fall to Celebrate the 20th Year Anniversary of our Sister City Relationship! Keep an eye out for details, we encourage Alders to participate.