

# Collin County , USA and Hsinchu County, Taiwan



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## GDTCC is the “matchmaker” for Sister Cities

1. City of Dallas and Taipei
2. City of Carrollton and Yungho
3. Dallas County and Taoyuan County
4. City of Grand Prairie and Gueishen
5. Town of Addison and Banciao
6. City of Plano and Hsinchu



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7. Garland and Luchu

8. City of Mckinney and Jungli

❖ Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) and Taipei Rapidtransist System

❖ Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) and Taoyuan County Rapidtransist System

❖ DFW International Airport and Taoyuan International Airport



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# International Student Exchange Program between Sister Cities

The GDTCC Student Ambassadors program has been going for 12 years now

- 2002-2008 Plano city High School Students with HsinChu city high school students
- 2008 -2015 Highland Park High School students with Taoyuan high schools
- 2009-2015 Grand prairie students with Taoyuan County high school students



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- 2012-2015 Greenhill School students with Minglun High School from Taipei city.
- 2013-2015 Hockaday School students with Taipei First Girls High School from Taipei City.

March 2015, Highland Park High School students, Greenhill High school students, Garland ISD high school students and Hockaday School students headed to Taiwan for 7-14 days trip to experience the school life, culture and friendship in Taiwan.



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# Introduction to Hsinchu County, Taiwan



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# Location

Hsinchu County is in the northwest of Taiwan, at 122 degree east longitude and 22.5 degrees north latitude, bordering Taoyuan County, Miaoli County, Taichung County and Yilan County, and surrounding Hsinchu City, having an area of 1427.5931 square kilometers.



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# Hsinchu County



# Map of Taiwan



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# Hsinchu County Map



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# Towns & Townships

Hsinchu County's administrative area is divided into 1 county-administered city, 3 towns and 9 townships

## County-Administered:

❖ Zhubei City

## Three Towns:

❖ Zhudong Township

❖ Xinpu Township

❖ Guanxi Township



# Towns & Townships

## Nine Townships:

- ❖ Xinfeng Rural Township
- ❖ Emei Rural Township
- ❖ Baoshan Rural Township
- ❖ Wufeng Rural Township
- ❖ Hengshan Rural Township
- ❖ Beipu Rural Township
- ❖ Jianshi Rural Township
- ❖ Qionglin Rural Township
- ❖ Hukou Rural Township.



# Population

Hsinchu County has an abundance of human resources. Total population up to the end of April, 2014, is approximately 539,173. The major ethnic groups include Hakka people, Minnan people, aborigines (mainly Atayals and Saisiyats, about twenty thousand in total) and new immigrants. The Hakkas constitute over 84% of the population. The ethnic groups have commingled well and the resulted local culture is therefore rich in diversity



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# Industry

Hsinchu's hilly land produces a wealth of delicious agricultural products popular throughout Taiwan, including persimmons, peaches, haili, tankan, Oriental Beauty Oolong tea, gaojie pears, persimmon cakes, tomatoes, and xiancao (Chinese mesona). In addition, growers in the County are using advanced technology and biotechnology to overcome production restrictions and produce high value-added products, while local brands and rural regeneration campaigns are giving rural communities new vigor.



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## Industry

The Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI) was established in Zhudong Township in the 1970s, and the Hsinchu Science Park was established nearby soon afterwards. The Hsinchu Industrial Area was established in Hukou Township during the 1990s, and has attracted many high-tech firms. It has shifted from a center of traditional industry to a location of high-tech cluster, and has become the leading center of high-tech industry in northern Taiwan.



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The camellia is the county flower of Hsinchu County;  
the county tree is the Podocarpus nagi  
and the county bird is the Muller's Barbet

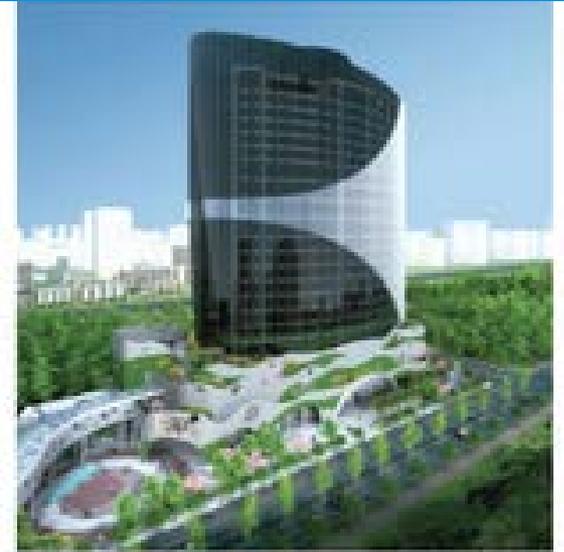


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# Hsinchu County



Baoshan Reservoir, Baoshan Township



The mixed-use commercial building in front of the Hsinchu High Speed Rail Station will be a new landmark for the County. (Schematic diagram)



Yimin Temple, Xinpu Township



The Hokkai Tansu Blossom Festival attracts countless visitors each year



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# Magistrate Chiu Ching-Chun



- The 16<sup>th</sup> Magistrate of Hsinchu County
- Legislator of the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> Legislative Yuan
- Executive Director, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the World Hakka Federation
- President of Zhudong High School and Minghsin University of Science and Technology Alumni Association
- Head of the Hsinchu County Volunteer Police Battalion



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# Magistrate Chiu Ching-Chun



- Chairman of the Taiwan Private School Retirement Guidance Foundation
- Committee Member of the Hsinchu County China Youth Corps
- President of the Emei Lions Club, Hsinchu
- Vice-Chairman of the KMT Hsinchu County Party Office
- Director and supervisor of the Taiwan Waste Corporation



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# Organization of the County Government



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# Development of Hsinchu County

## Five Major Perspectives

- Green Energy & Photovoltaics technology
- Biotechnology & Medical Care
- Culture & Creativity
- Travel and Tourism
- Refined Agriculture



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# Education Chapter

- Sustainability: Renovating Spaces for Learning
- Assisting Learning: Free School Lunches and textbooks for Primary and Junior High School Students.
- The Joy of Reading: the Philanthropic Library
- Science for All: the National Primary and High School Science Fair
- Foreign Language Learning: Promoting the Real-Situation English Classroom
- Enjoying Sport: National Sports Centers



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# Benefits of Sister City Agreement:

Mutual Economic Benefits  
Culture Exchange  
Education/Student Exchange  
Global Vision  
Promote Tourism



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# Cost of Sister-City Agreement:

The group visiting from Hsinchu take care  
their own airfare and hotel

GDTCC Sister City Committee will take care  
the local transportation.

So the cost for Collin County is very limited.



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Therefore, you can see the  
Benefit outweigh the cost

Benefits > Cost



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# Why is Collin County and Hsinchu is a good match for Sister-City ?

- Both have agriculture
- Emphasize in High-tech Industry
- Majority are middle and high income residents
- Above average growth in population and economy
- Multi-culture population



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