

Use of the library to help revitalize downtown areas.  
Rediscover history and people of downtown !

Tottori Prefectural Library

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April 2015 I arrived in Tottori from Kurashiki in Okayama Prefecture to serve as the town manager of the Tottori Downtown Activation Conference.

Wow, the city of Tottori covers lots of territory.

I've got to divide the area up and go see.

I decided to check the maps again.

I walked the streets,

Shops that have been in the shopping district for decades

Historical buildings

and found that this city's very interesting!

Castle remains and on and on...

First I've gotta learn all about Tottori...

Revitalizing downtown's my job, but...

Great Tottori Fire: History of disasters

Old city map of Tottori

Life of yesteryear

Amazing! Who'da thought you'd have this much!

We have old materials in our hometown section.

I'm looking for some old city maps of Tottori, and some records of what life was like.

Let's have a look?

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Yes! Why not have a walk-the-town event?

Man, I found so much interesting stuff!

If more people were to find out what Tottori's really like, they'd find it fascinating and grow to love it.

With old maps and photos, complete strangers talk like old friends!

I kept on doing this kind of walking event.

It's not just learning about the town, it's a chance for young and old to find a common topic of conversation ...

Casually walked by this place time and again, but didn't notice anything...

Here there's still a vestige of the past.

No kidding?

Here's how this place was way back then.

Photo Studio

Place notices on SNS, hold walk-the-town event.

People are really satisfied with the walking events, so we hold them on a regular basis.

From now on, we'll continue to use the library and let people know of fascinating Tottori.

Won top prize! The MEXT Minister's Award (MEXT = Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology)

Application for the First Regional Revitalization Reference Prize?

More people are interested.

We're looking for examples of those that use our library services.

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Reference service : The service that librarians help people find the materials and information they need.