



**CITY OF CUPERTINO  
FRIENDSHIP CITIES PROGRAM  
APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION**

**Instructions**

This application is to be completed by the Friendship City Committee of the requesting international city and submitted electronically to the Cupertino City Manager's Office by emailing [pio@cupertino.org](mailto:pio@cupertino.org).

**Background**

A Friendship Cities Designation is an established relationship between the City of Cupertino and a partnering international organization that is mutually beneficial. The first step towards establishing a Friendship Cities Designation is to complete this application. This application helps to identify proposed goals of the relationship, the supporting activities expected, and highlights the areas of interest strengths, or needs of each party. The proponents of establishing such a relationship must be a collaboration of a community organization (a Friendship City Committee) and an elected official of the participating international city.

**Who May Request a Friendship Cities Designation?**

Any established Friendship City Committee of the proponent Friendship City may submit an application. The most successful applications will have more than one sponsor and will represent multiple agencies or organizations.

**Processing and Approval of the Application**

This application will clearly state the rationale and the goals of the relationship and the mutual benefits in establishing this relationship. Once the designation is in place, all information in the application will be shared with the community and stakeholders upon request.

Complete information for key contacts and authorizing individuals (the signing authorities) must be provided before the relationship can be finalized. In addition, the committee must have a Cupertino Councilmember sponsorship. Incomplete information will delay the process. A Friendship Cities Designation will be authorized for a period of two (2) years as outlined in the City of Cupertino's "Policies and Guidelines on Sister Cities, Friendship Cities, and International Delegations" and will be subject to all guidelines therein.

## **CUPERTINO FRIENDSHIP CITIES PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION**

To be completed in English by the requesting organization:

1. Name and Country of the proposed Friendship City and the Friendship City Committee:

Nanchang City, Jiangxi Province, China. Nanchang- Cupertino friendship city committee

2. Today's date: 11/18/2016

3. Name of person requesting relationship: Julia Jin

Affiliation: United for Better Community

4. Address: 10675 S. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino, CA 95014

Email: juliajin98@gmail.com

Phone: 408-309-9629

5. City of Cupertino Sponsor: Mayor Barry Chang

6. Friendship City Elected Official Sponsor: Mayor Hu, Xian

7. RATIONALE: Please explain the rationale and focus of the requested Friendship Cities Designation. Describe why a Friendship City relationship would be beneficial to the City of Cupertino and your local community, organization, and city. Please outline the areas of mutual strength and interest for each of the participants. Limit this section to four pages and attach it to this application. Items to include:

- Names, titles, and affiliations of those who will be involved at the proponent Friendship City and the Friendship City Committee. Be sure to include information for the proponent Friendship City's Mayor as they will have the primary signing authority of the Friendship City.
- Areas of mutual interest upon which the relationship will focus.
- Opportunities for new activities and potential outcomes.
- Benefits and measurable results that the City of Cupertino and proponent Friendship City can expect as a result of the establishment of such a relationship.

8. RESOURCES: Please address monetary and in-kind resources that may be necessary to conduct the activities of this relationship, how they are to be obtained, and from whom. If none, state "no funding required". Please note that the City of Cupertino does not currently provide funding for Friendship Cities. Limit this section to one page and attach it to this application.

9. PROFILE: Please attach a brief profile of your city and Friendship City Committee including, but not limited to: background, location, nature, size, and relevant programs. Limit the profile to no more than two pages.

10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Please add any additional information about this proposed relationship, the proponent Friendship City, and/or the Friendship City Committee that you wish to share. Limit additional information to no more than 2 pages.

## **Proposal for Friendship City between City of Cupertino, California, USA and Nanchang City, Jiangxi Province, People's Republic of China (PRC)**

To: City of Cupertino

From: Cupertino-Nanchang friendship city committee

Date: November 18, 2016

Re: Establish Friendship City between City of Cupertino, CA, USA and City of Nanchang, Jiangxi Province, PRC

Dear Cupertino City,

We would like to establish a Friendship City Relationship between City of Cupertino, and City of Nanchang, Jiangxi Province.

### Cupertino-Nanchang Friendship City Committee:

Cupertino- Nanchang Friendship City Committee is founded in Cupertino by a group of Cupertino residents and friends. The Committee will apply for a non-profit organization status from IRS. The founding members of the Association are as below:

President: Julia Jing

Vice President: Jan Dietzgen

Secretary: Susan Su

Treasurer: Jun Du

### Proposal for future events:

- a. Environmental protection
- b. Education and science exchange,
- c. Traffic improvement strategies.
- d. Smart City Conference
- e. Cultural exchange

### Funding:

We will do fundraising events to raise money to support the activities. We are not seeking funding from City of Cupertino.

Benefits of a Friendship City agreement between the two cities:

Both cities can benefit from cultural exchanges and sharing ideas or solutions to traffic problems, etc.

Areas of mutual interest:

1. Cultural exchanges and mutual understanding
2. Traffic congestion relief.

## Introduction of Nanchang:

**Nanchang** ([Chinese](#): 南昌) is the capital of [Jiangxi Province](#) in [southeastern China](#).<sup>[2]</sup> As of 2010, a population of 5,042,565 live in the prefecture, in which 2,357,838 live in the area made up of all five urban districts.<sup>[3]</sup> Located in the north-central part of the province, it is bounded on the west by the [Jiuling Mountains](#), and on the east by [Poyang Lake](#). Because of its strategic location connecting the prosperous [East](#) and [South](#) China, it has become a major railway hub in Southern China in recent decades.

As the [Nanchang Uprising](#) in 1927 is distinctively recognized by the ruling [Communist Party](#) as "firing the first gunshot against the evil Nationalists",<sup>[4]</sup> the current regime has therefore named the city since 1949 "the City of Heroes", "the place where the [People's Liberation Army](#) was born", and the most widely known "place where the military banner of the People's Liberation Army was first raised".

# Nanchang Map

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## Nanchang - capital city of Jiangxi Province

It is located in the north of [Jiangxi Province](#) and the lower reaches of Gan River. Its industries include machinery, automobile, tractors, light textiles, electronics, iron and steel, chemicals, and paper making. The city boasts such scenic spots as Bada Shanren (alias Zhu Da, an early Qing painter [ 1624 or 1626-1705]) Exhibition Hall, All flowers Islet, West Lake, Water Guanyin (Goddess of Mercy) Pavilion, and the Former Headquarters of the Nanchang Uprising. It is one of the China's historical and cultural cities.

## The Prince Teng Pavilion

The Prince Teng Pavilion towers at the bank of Gan River. The original pavilion was first built in 653 in the Tang Dynasty (618-907). It was rebuilt during the reign of the Ming emperor Jingtai ( 1450-1456 ) outside the Zhangjiang Gate. After the Qing Dynasty it was destroyed and reconstructed again. In 1926 a fire set by the Northern Warlords (1912-1927) again burnt it down. Reconstruction of the pavilion began in 1983, and was completed in 1989. Occupying an area of 43,000 square metres, the main structure of the pavilion covers 13,000 square metres. With double eaves, the pavilion boasts nine storeys, with a height of 57.5 metres. It looks even more magnificent and imposing.

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**Nanchang Map and The Prince Teng Pavilion Photo**

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