

ENERGY SAVING AT HOME & CO₂ REDUCTION

.....How to save energy at home?

For the purpose of sustaining the environment by the effective use of energy, each home or individual is requested to take measures to conserve energy at home.

From the following table, you will know how water and utility expenses can be saved and reduced, and to what extent CO₂ emissions can be reduced.

Why don't we take action soon?

Item	Energy Saving Measures	A* (yen/year)	B* (kg/year)
AIR-CONDITIONER	Lower the air conditioning temperature in summer and raise the heating temperature in winter by 1 degree C.	1,840	34
FAN HEATER	Set the room temperature at 20 degree C.	2,040	44
ELECTRIC CARPET	Choose carpet size to match the room space. Lower the temperature set up as much as possible	6,070	113
ELECTRIC KOTATSU (Foot warmer)	Lower the temperature set up; from HIGH to MEDIUM	1,080	20
ILLUMINATOR (LIGHTING FITTINGS)	Change a filament bulb (incandescent electric bulb) to an energy-saving electric bulb type fluorescent lamp.	1,850	34
TELEVISION	Stop watching TV for an hour.	2,340	44
REFRIGIRATOR	Change the temperature set up from HIGH to MEDIUM, and place with enough space from the wall.	2,350	44
GAS HOT WATER SUPPLY DEVICE	When you wash tableware, set the temperature to a lower level (from 40 degree C to 38 degree C)	1,320	21
BATH HOT WATER SUPPLY MACHINE	Take a bath without much lay time. Don't leave the shower going continuously.	8,650	119
MICROWAVE OVEN	Utilize a microwave oven for the preliminary arrangement of vegetables.	1,900	27
ELECTRIC POT	Disconnect the plug when you do not need the hot water for a long time.	2,360	44
WASHING MACHINE	Wash laundry collectively/Lessen the number of washes.	3,950	3
CAR	Drive with less acceleration/Step on the accelerator early/Stop idling.	8,800	150
Total	Annual reduction in cost and CO ₂ emissions	44,550	697

Remarks: A = Water and Utility Expense Reduction Amount
B = CO₂ Annual Reduction Amount

UNUSED ARTICLE REGISTRATION SYSTEM

TO HELP THOSE WHO NEED AND DON'T NEED

In the name of "UNUSED ARTICLE REGISTRATION SYSTEM : UNUSED ARTICLE BANK", the city has established a registration system for promoting recycling articles usable but not needed or kept unused.

Whoever wants to dispose of or whoever wants to utilize things offered free can register their names on the city's homepage,

<http://www.city.chigasaki.kanagawa.jp/>

On the homepage, you can see a list of articles being offered. To make a deal, it's required to prepare a registration card and send it to shiminsoudan@city.chigasaki.kanagawa.jp via email. This deal is free in principle, but there will be some expenses for handling the article, which can be up to ¥10,000. The registration will be discarded in case of no deal within 3 months.

Whoever wants to utilize an article found in the list is required to contact Chigasaki City Consumer Service Center to receive the owner's name and their telephone number. Its negotiation will be done between the two parties directly and if the transfer of the article is agreed upon, it is necessary to advise the center soon after.

If you look at the city homepage and take a look at the list, you will find articles that you wouldn't anticipate. Also they have been offered often at unexpectedly low prices.

The Center can be contacted through the city hall telephone number 82-1111.

IAC Mission Statement

We will contribute to the peace in the world community through mutual understanding, friendship, cooperativeness, solidarity and human dignity so all people, as earth citizens, respect and live together beyond the borders of nationality.

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HISTORY OF CHIGASAKI

Tsurumine Hachimansha Shrine

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Two traditions exist on the foundation of *Tsurumine Hachimansha Shrine*. One is the *ENGI* or the history of *Betto Shofukuji Temple of Tsurumine Hachimansha Shrine* that describes Yoshimasa, who was the ruler three generations before Kageyoshi Futokorojima, founded in Chosho 2 (1133), and the other one is that the shrine originated from *Hokora* or the small shrine where *Minamoto-no-Yoriyoshi* prayed to God for winning the battle when he was appointed to the *Mutsu-no-Kami*, the director of the Mutsu District, and he was told that the spirit of *Iwa-Shimizu-Hachimangu Shrine* in Kyoto had been enshrined there. It was Eisho 6 (1051) when Yoriyoshi left to go to the Ōshu area.

The *Hachimanshin* (God), embodied in the *Hachimangu* shrines, was deified by the Imperial court and warriors as the deity to protect the nation in old times. At that time, Kageyoshi (~1210) had his position reaffirmed as the ruler. The people under the protection of the deity were from the area of Tsurumine to the Nango district.

In Kenkyu 2 (1191), Kageyoshi carried out large-scale building arrangements with the support of Yoritomo. The design of the sacred shrine site was based on the *Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine* in Kamakura which was also built by him.

The *ENGI* or the history says that the faith of the warriors increased more and more because of the arrangement of the *Butsuden* or the Shrine with the Buddha, the *Sanju-no-To* or the Three-storied Pagoda and the *Sobō* or the House for the priest and their families.

As leaders changed, the exchange between the priests of *Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine* and *Tsurumine Hachimansha Shrine* still continued.

Even at present, the row of pine trees and the long approach to the shrine is one of the city's cultural aspects and the figure of the big ginkgo tree, which is a special natural monument appointed by the Prefecture, are worthy of talking about in the history of old *Tsurumine Hachimansha Shrine*.

It is said that *Tsurumine Hachimansha Shrine* held the festival of *Minatsuki-Barai* or the purification ceremony every year by taking the portable shrine to the beach at Nango to remove the sins and impurities of the mind and body. After that, the portable shrine joined the summer festival of *Samukawa Shrine* to host the summer festival known as *Hamaori-sai*, and every year they perform a purification ceremony at Chigasaki beach.

