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A. Subsidy for Setup Cost of Residential Solar Power System/ Solar Heating System

1. Medical Services on Weekends in December

Hours: 9:30a.m.- 2:00p.m., except noon-1:00p.m.(Hours are available for all locations.)

Sun. 14: Ibarakihigashi National Hospital, ph. 029-282-1151

Sun. 21: Tokai Village Hospital, ph. 029-282-2188

Tue. 23: Ishii Orthopedics (Seikeigeka) Clinic ph. 029-270-5141

Sun. 28: Higashihara Clinic, ph. 029-283-2301

Tue. 30: Ogata Clinic, ph. 029-282-4781

Wed. 31: Ogata Clinic, ph. 029-282-4781

Ibaraki Prefecture 24 Hour Emergency Medical Information Control Center, ph.

029-241-4199

Ibaraki Children's Resource Line, ph. #8000 (touch-tone phones and mobile phones) or 029-254-9900: everyday 6:30p.m.-00:30a.m., Sundays, public holidays, Monday

29 December, 2014 Saturday 3 January, 2015 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

2. Extension of Administrative Service Time

Date: Every 1st and 3rd Thursday

Time: 8:30a.m.-7:00p.m.

Services and Sections:

Civil Registration Section; Resident registration, seal (hanko) registration, passport issuance, and publishing of other certifications and permissions.

National Health Insurance and Pension Section; Procedures of national health insurance and national pension plan, issuance of Mother and Child Health Handbook (boshi kenko techo)

Social Welfare Section; Procedures for day-care center, application of children allowance and child-rearing

Welfare and Nursing Care Section; Application of long-term care insurance and support of the elderly.

Accounting Section; Payment of tax(except national tax, prefectural tax and national pension premiums) and royalties.

Tax Section; Issuance of certifications, (local) taxpayer assistance (needs reservation)

Waterworks Section; Procedures to supply public water, payment of water and sewage bills.

For more information visit: http://www.vill.tokai.ibaraki.jp/

3. Rate of Light Vehicle Tax will be changed

Involving partial amendment of local tax law, tax rate of mopeds, motorcycles and scooters over 125cc, and small- sized special motor vehicle will be changed from fiscal 2015 and rate of light vehicle (tricycle, four- wheel) will be changed from fiscal 2016.

Notice: The tax rate depends on category of vehicle or initial registration date.

-1. From fiscal 2015 (moped, motorcycle etc. and small- sized special motor vehicle) Moped:

50cc or less will be 2,000 yen (current tax: 1,000 yen)

90cc or less will be 2,000 yen (current tax: 1,200 yen)

125cc or less will be 2,400 yen (current tax: 1,600 yen)

Mini- car will be 3,700 yen (current tax: 2,500 yen)

Motorcycles and scooters over 125cc:

Small-sized motorcycles between over 125cc and under 250cc, utility trailers, and trailers will be 3,600 yen (current tax: 2,400 yen)

Small-sized motorcycles over 250cc will be 6,000 yen (current tax: 4,000 yen)

Small-sized special motor vehicles:

Farm vehicles will be 2,000 yen (current: 1,600 yen) will be 2,000 yen (current tax: 1,600 yen)

Small- sized special motor vehicles except farm vehicles: for specialized operation (forklifts etc.) will be 5,900 yen (current tax: 4,700 yen)

-2. From fiscal 2016 (light vehicles: tricycles, four wheelers)

Tricycles:

Current tax (applicable; vehicle registered before 31. March, 2015): 3,100 yen After amendment (applicable; vehicle registered after 1 April, 2015): 3,900 yen Aging vehicle taxation (applicable; vehicle over 13 years after the initial registration): 4,600 yen

Four wheel:

- 1) Passenger vehicle
- business use:

Current tax (applicable; vehicle registered before 31. March, 2015): 5,500 yen
After amendment (applicable; vehicle registered after 1 April, 2015): 6,900 yen
Aging vehicle taxation (applicable; vehicle over 13 years after the initial registration): 8,200 yen

- Private use:

Current tax (applicable; vehicle registered before 31. March, 2015): 7,200 yen After amendment (applicable; vehicle registered after 1 April, 2015): 10,800 yen Aging vehicle taxation (applicable; vehicle over 13 years after the initial registration): 12,900 yen

- 2) Goods vehicle
- Business use:

Current tax (applicable; vehicle registered before 31. March, 2015):3,000 yen
After amendment (applicable; vehicle registered after 1 April, 2015): 3,800 yen
Aging vehicle taxation (applicable; vehicle over 13 years after the initial registration): 4,500 yen

- Private use:

Current tax (applicable; vehicle registered before 31. March, 2015):4,000 yen

After amendment (applicable; vehicle registered after 1 April, 2015): 5,000 yen

Aging vehicle taxation (applicable; vehicle over 13 years after the initial

registration): 6,000 yen

The tax rate of vehicle registered before 31 March, 2015 won't be changed as the current rate. But it will be taxed as an aging vehicle rate if 13 years have been passed after the initial registration.

4. Station Gallery Exhibitions

Collection of Tokai- mura 'Unknown sketches of Taizo Inamura'

About 50 unreleased drawings of Taizo Inamura (painter: 1901- 1994) which were donated to Tokai-mura will be exhibited.

Date: Sun. 4- Sat. 10 Jan., 2015

Time: 10:00a.m.- 5:00p.m. (Until 3:00p.m. on 10 January)

Place: Gallery A, 2F

Inquiries: Community Facility Management Office, Tokai Station, ph. 029-287-3680

5. Garbage Disposal during New Year Holidays

Garbage collection days and times for burnable garbage will change over the New Year period.

1. Collection day Monday and Thursday area:

The last collection; Mon. 29 Dec, 2014

The first collection; Mon. 5 Jan, 2015

2. Collection day Tuesday and Friday area:

The last collection; Tue.30 Dec, 2014

The first collection; Tue. 6 Jan, 2015

Be sure to take burnable garbage in the designated bag to the collection site by 8:30 a.m.

Inquiries: Zero Waste Promotion Section in Environmental Policy Section of Tokai-mura, ph. 029-282-7289

6. If You Take your Garbage Directly to a Cleaning Center ...

The last day when garbage can be carried in directly to the cleaning centers is

Tuesday 30th December, 2014. As this period is usually very crowded, it is recommended to come earlier.

The Garbage available to be taken directly to the cleaning center is as following and neither center will accept garbage in any category other than these:

Hitachinaka- Tokai Clean Center; burnable garbage

Tokai-mura Clean Center; unburnable garbage, bulky rubbish, recyclable waste, pruned brunches and leaves

Inquiries: Zero Waste Promotion Section in Environmental Policy Section of Tokai-mura, ph. 029-282-7289

7. Whole Fish Cooking Class for Parent and Child

A dietary education class using horse mackerel will be held.

Members of Eating Habits Improvement Promotion will help you.

Date: Fri. 26 Dec.

Time: 9:45a.m.- 1:30p.m. (register from 9:30 a.m.)

Place: Nakamaru Community Center

Eligible people: Elementary students living in Tokai-mura accompanied with their guardians (first 15 pairs will be accepted.)

Menu: Cleaned horse mackerel cooked in soy sauce, IMO-ZO soup

Cost: Free

Others: Bring an apron, headscarf to cover your hair, dishcloth and cloth to wipe

Application: Apply after Monday 15th December by phone or directly at Tokai-mura Health Center.

Inquiries: Tokai-mura Health Center, ph. 029-282-2797

8. Vaccination of Chicken Pox and Pneumococcus

Optional vaccination of chicken pox and adult's pneumococcus has been changed as routine vaccination from 1 October, 2014. As the result of this change, you may not be subsidized, if you don't receive vaccinations by 31 March, 2015,

-1. Chicken pox vaccination:

5 and 6 years old children who want to receive the vaccination for the first time and have the voucher of optional vaccination (if you don't have a voucher of optional vaccination, contact to Tokai-mura Health Center), may receive vaccination free as

a transitional measure only for this current year. If you want to do so please receive vaccination by Tuesday 31 March, 2015.

-2 Pneumococcus vaccinations for adults

Eligible people: those who meet one of the conditions below and have never received pneumococcus vaccination.

- 1) Those who are 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100 years old in 2014
- 2) Those who are between 60 and 64 years old and have disability in heart, kidney, respiratory apparatus or immunity.
- 3) Those who are 101 years old and over.

Please receive vaccination by Tuesday 31 March, 2015. Those who are over 70 years old and over can receive vaccination as an optional one after 1 April, 2015.

Cost: 4,000 yen self- pay for routine or optional vaccination

Inquiries: Tokai- mura Health Center, ph. 029-282-2797

9. Deadline of Subsidy for Rubella Antibody Test

Ibaraki Prefectural government will subsidize the expense of antibody tests to protect pregnant women against rubella.

Eligible people: Residents (women) of Ibaraki Prefecture who fulfill all the conditions below.

- (1) Planning a pregnancy, or has high chance of pregnancy.
- (2) Born before 1 April, 1990.
- (3) Have not received a rubella antibody check or the health check for pregnant women.
- (4) Have no patient record of rubella at the time of diagnosis.
- (5) Have never received a rubella vaccination.

Deadline: Tuesday 31 March, 2015

Application: See the website below and make a reservation by phone at designated hospitals and clinics.

http://www.pref.ibaraki.jp/bukyoku/hoken/yobo/yobo/.htm

Inquiry: Ibaraki Prefecture Insurance Prevention Section ph. 029-301-3219

10. Christmas Party for Single- Mother Family

A Christmas party for single-mother family will be held.

Date: Tue. 23 December

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 0:30 p.m.

Place: Ishigami Community Center

Eligible people: Single- mother family who is resident of Tokai-mura

Program: Ring toss, Bingo game etc.

Cost: Free

Others: With lunch, Christmas cake and presents.

Application: Apply by Monday 15 December by phone or directly at Social Welfare

Section.

Inquiries: Social Welfare Section in Tokai- mura Village Office, ph. 029-282-1711

ext.1185

11. School Supplies for Children of Single Parents

The Ibaraki Single Parents and Children's Welfare Associations will give school supplies to children living with single parent in Tokai-mura who start grade one in April 2015.

Application: Apply by Friday 23 January (except Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays, Monday 29 December, 2014 Saturday 3 January, 2015) at the Social Welfare Section in Tokai mura Village Office and give your information (your address, your name, phone number, your child's name, gender and birthday).

Inquiries: Ibaraki Single Parents and Children's Welfare Associations, ph. 029-221-7505

12. Hello Baby Classes for Pregnant Women

Let's learn about pregnancy, childbirth, child care, and share with us your concerns and your experience as a mother.

Date and Content:

1. Tue. 13 Jan, 2015, 9:30a.m.-1:00p.m.

Discussion with a midwife about nutrition during pregnancy and cooking hints. Bring an apron and headscarf to cover your hair. Reservation for childcare services must be made beforehand.

2. Fri. 16 Jan, 2015, 1:30-4:00p.m.

Delivery process and life after childbirth/child safety seats for cars/dental checkups and brushing guidance. Reservation for childcare services must be made beforehand.

3. Sat. 17 Jan, 2015, 9:20a.m.-noon

Lecture that assists life with a baby after discharge/how to bath a new born/pregnancy experience for fathers. Bring an apron. There are no childcare services.

Place: Tokai-mura Health Center

Cost: Free

Others: Bring your Mother and Child Health Handbook (boshi kenko techo), the supplementary handbook, pen and notebook.

Applications: To register for the childcare services and the class on Tuesday 13 January, call Tokai-mura Health Center by Friday 26 December, 2014.

No registration is necessary for Friday 16 and Saturday 17 January.

Inquiries: Tokai-mura Health Center ph.029-282-2797

13. Let's find Santa Claus!

Find Santa Claus hidden in Tokai-mura Sister City Hall and get Christmas present.

How many Santa Claus can you find?

Date: Wed. 10- Thu. 25 Dec.

Time: 9:00 a.m. 9:00 p.m.

Eligible people: Children Elementary grade 6 or below and who are living in

Tokai-mura.

Place: Tokai-mura Sister City Hall

Others: For further details visit Tokai-mura Sister City Hall Facebook

Inquiries: Tokai-mura Sister City Hall, 029-282-0535

14. Ski Tour for Young Adults

A ski tour for young adults will be held.

Date: Sat. 7 Feb, 2015

Place: Inawashiro ski field (Fukushima Prefecture)

Eligible people: Those who are between 20 and 35 years old.

Capacity: 30 persons. The first 15 applicants of each gender will be accepted.

Cost: 6,000 yen (including expenses of transportation and lift tickets but the rental fee for the equipment will be private expense.) per person.

An orientation meeting will be held on Saturday 31 January.

Application: Send an e-mail with the following information by Friday 16 January to the Tokai- mura Youth Center.

- 1. Name in full with furigana
- 2. Age
- 3. Gender
- 4. Phone number
- 5. E-mail address

Inquiries: Tokai-mura Youth Center, e-mail tokai_ski_2015@yahoo.co.jp, ph. 029-282-7049

15. Art Tower Mito Starlight Fantasy

The area around the Mito Art Museum and Art Tower will be illuminated.

Term: Until Monday 12 January, 2015

Time: 5:00-9:00 p.m.

Others: A countdown event will be held on Wednesday 31 December, 2014.

Inquiries: ATMSF (Art Tower Mito Starlight Fantasy) Committee, ph. 029-227-7558

16. The First Sunrise and New Year Visit by Hitachinaka Seaside Railway in Hitachinaka City

Thursday 1 January, Hitachinaka Seaside Railway will be running special trains, The Ajigaura Express and the Nakaminato Rapid Train will be used for watching the first sunrise of the New Year and New Year's visit to a shrine.

Time:

Ajigaura Express; 5:30a.m. departing from Katsuta Station

Nakaminato Rapid Train; 6:05 a.m. departing from Katsuta Station

Others: Unlimited ride tickets for one day (valid for a day between Thursday 1 and Saturday 3 January, 2015) are on sale as special commemorative tickets.

Inquiries: Nakaminato Station of Hitachinaka Seaside Railway Co, Ltd., ph. 029-262-2361

From Koho Tokai 25 November, 2014

A. Subsidy for Setup Cost of Residential Solar Power System/ Solar Heating System Tokai-mura is subsiding part of the cost of solar power system or solar heating instrument for the purpose of promoting eco-friendly town development.

1) Solar power system

The system composed of photovoltaic which solar-energy convert and inverter that transform the electricity into alternating current, and fill the requirements as below.

- The notarized total peak power output of photovoltaic is less than 10 kw.
- Regarded as Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS) and such.
- Must be not in use.

Has made an agreement with electricity company and has trade surplus electricity. Eligible people: meets the conditions as below

- Resident who has installed solar power system or purchased a single-family house with solar power system in Tokai- mura.
- Tokai- mura resident who has no delinquency in tax payment.
- Who has a meter reading slip whose starting date of the computation of electricity buyback term is between 1 April, 2014 and 31 March 2015

Subsidy: 45,000 yen per 1kw (output power) , upper limit of subsidy is 180,000 yen 2) Solar heating system

The system harnessing solar thermal energy for heating water and air (including all the types of solar water heater with solar energy collector and hot water storage tank), and fill the requirements as below.

- Regarded as Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS) and such.
- Must be not in use.

Eligible people: meets the conditions as below

- Resident who has installed solar heating system or purchased a single-family house with solar heating system in Tokai- mura.
- Tokai- mura resident who has no delinquency in tax payment.
- The completion date of installation is between 1 April, 2014 and 31 March, 2015.

Subsidy: 30,000 yen (fixed)

For both 1) and 2)

- Ineligible for subsidy:
- Who has once accepted subsidy for 1) solar power system or share living expenses with a person who has accepted subsidy.
- Expansion or replacement of 1) solar power system or 2) solar heating system.
- The intention of installation of 1) solar power system or 2) solar heating system is not for supply for residential.
- The intention of installation of 1) solar power system or 2) solar heating system is for a profit.
- Building which combines residence and store/ office, and more than half of the

gross floor space is used for a profit.

- More than one application for one building.

Others: Application is accepted first-come-first-serve basis and will be closed when the subsidy amount reaches with the budgeted amount for this year.

Application: Submit the application form and apply at the Environmental Policy Section in the Tokai-mura Village Office (4F). The application form is available at the Environmental Policy Section or from the website of Tokai-mura Village Office. Inquiries: Environmental Policy Section in the Tokai-mura Village Office, ph. 029-282-1711 ext. 1451