

ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Green Tip: Green your Routine

Save Money on Gas & Improve your Health

Ever-rising gas prices are siphoning more and more money out of the pockets of drivers. Learn how to increase your vehicles MPG and change your daily routine to save EVEN MORE on gas and improve your health!

Pump 'em Up! (Cost Savings: 6 cents per gallon)
More than ¼ of vehicles are driving on deflated tires. The average under-inflation of 7.5 lbs causes a loss of 2.8% in fuel efficiency

Stay in Tune! (Cost Savings: 8 cents per gallon)
When was your last tune up? Ensuring that your car's engine is properly tuned can improve fuel efficiency by an average of 4%.

Straighten up! (Cost Savings: 20 cents per gallon)
Poor alignment not only causes tires to wear out more quickly, but also forces your engine to work harder. Align your tires, and save up to 10%

Slow Down! (Cost Savings: 14 cents by reducing speed from 70 mph to 65 mph)



For Every 5 mph you reduce highway speed, you can reduce fuel consumption by 7%

Junk in the Trunk? (Cost Savings: 3 cents per gallon per 100 lbs removed)



Carrying extra weight means burning extra gasoline. For every 100 extra lbs carried around, your vehicle loses 1-2% in fuel efficiency.

Don't Just Sit There! (Cost Savings: 1 cent per gallon for every 3 min you avoid idling)
Besides causing pollution, idling wastes gas. If stopped longer than 30 seconds, turn off the engine, and don't bother to "warm up" your car before driving—it's not necessary!

Join the Masses!
Carpool or, even better, don't take a car at all—walk, ride a bike, or take mass transit. It saves you money, improves your personal health, and helps the planet by keeping greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere



May is National Bike Month! Get out of your cars, save gas, get healthier and promote bicycling this month! On **May 12, 2011**, tens of thousands of residents from all corners of the Bay Area will put their car keys aside, grab their helmets and hop on their bicycles and ride to work!

For more information visit
www.bikesonoma.org/bike2work.html