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✧ 99th NUMAZU GREEN FESTIVAL *Midori Matsuri* ✧

When: May 3 (Holiday) 10:00~16:00 • 4th (Holiday) 10:00~15:00

Where: Kiramesse Numazu



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<p>◆ Flower and greenery Market</p> <p>Various items will be on sale, including colorful flower seedlings, saplings, and bonsai.</p>	<p>◆ Flower and greenery workshops</p> <p>Enjoy engaging workshops for both children and adults. *For application details, please visit our website.</p>	<p>◆ Ikebana • bonsai Exhibition</p> <p>Spectacular <i>bonsai</i> and <i>ikebana</i>, made with great care, will be displayed.</p>
<p>◆ Food market</p> <p>Various local products and food vendors will be available, offering things such as fresh vegetables, <i>Himono</i> (dried fish), green tea, Ajitaru Sandwiches.</p>	<p>◆ Exciting stamp rally</p> <p>Search for hidden stamps around the venue. Prizes will be given to those of primary school age and younger who complete the course, on a first come first served basis.</p>	<p>◆ Free Compost distribution</p> <p>Complimentary compost provided by Takei Farm will be available. Time: Each day, at 11.00 am and 2.00 pm.</p>
<p>◆ Heavy Machinery showcase</p> <p>See landscaping and forestry vehicles up close in our green field area.</p>	<p>◆ Green auction</p> <p>Bid on flower seedlings and green trees at special prices. When: 4th (Holiday), from 12.00 pm</p>	<p>◆ Fun raffle</p> <p>Shop and join our raffle for a chance to win flower seedlings and other great prizes.</p>

- **Contact:** ☎055-934-4795 Secretariat of the Executive Committee for the Promotion of Greening of Numazu City in Greens and Parks Division (*Ryokuchi Koen-ka*)

✧ Numazu Imperial Villa Memorial Park Children's Day ✧

With the arrival of spring, festive decorations for Children's Day will adorn the park. Boys' Festival Dolls, Colorful handmade hanging decorations, and large Koinobori (carp-shaped streamers) will be on display to celebrate the season.

Exhibition of Boys' Festival Dolls and Hanging decorations

In the celebration of Children's Day, traditional boy's festival dolls such as helmets, armors, and traditional warrior figures, along with beautifully handcrafted hanging decorations, will be exhibited.

When: Until May 11th (Sunday)

Time: 9:00am - 4:30pm (Admission is until 4:00pm)

Where: West Annex

Koinobori Display

Koinobori will be flying over the lawn of the former main residence. How taking about a moment to enjoy this iconic symbol of Children's day and reflect on Japan's rich cultural traditions under the blue sky?

When: Until May 11th (Sunday)

Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Where: Numazu Imperial Villa Memorial Park



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Admission Fee: Adults - 100 yen, elementary/junior high school students - 50 yen

*West Annex has a separate payment (Adults: 310 yen, elementary/junior high school students: 150 yen).

*The event may be cancelled or modified in case of bad weather.

*For more information, please visit our website.

- **Contact:** ☎055-931-0005 Numazu Imperial Villa Memorial Park (*Numazu Goyotei Kinen Koen*)

☎055-934-4796 Greens and Parks Division (*Ryokuchi Koen-ka*)

✧ Carp Streamer (*koinobori*) Festival ✧

✧ Hoisting of carp streamers

- **When:** April 29 - May 5

✧ Event

When	Time	What
May 4	10:00 – 15:00	Mobile zoo etc.
May 5		Earthquake experience car etc.

- **Where:** Kano River Greenfield (*ryokuchi*) (On the left bank of Kanogawa River , from Eitaibashi Bridge to Ayumibashi Bridge)

✧ There are lots of other fun events. Please visit the website for details.

✧ In case of bad weather, there is a possibility of change or cancellation.

◆ We are asking for donations of carp streamers that you no longer need at home. For more information, please contact us.

- **Contact:** ☎055-934-4871 Carp Streamer Festival Executive Committee Office (in Lifelong Learning Division)



website

✧ Public Sewer - Financing Scheme for Early Connection ✧

In areas where public sewerage is available, city ordinance requires that you connect to the public sewerage system within six months, so please connect as soon as possible. The city also has a financing scheme available.

- **Eligibility:** Properties with renovation work to flush toilets and drainage equipment construction to connect to public sewer system. (Excluding new construction)
- **Financing amount:** 50,000 yen - 2,000,000 yen (The amount changes in units of 10,000. Within renovation cost)
- **Term of repayment:** Repay within 3 years if you received 500,000 yen or less, and within 5 years if you received more than 500,000 yen.

✧ The city bears the interest if the construction is completed within 3 years from the start of the sewerage service.

✧ Please contact us for more information.

- **Contact:** ☎055-934-4856 Water Service Division (*Suido Service-ka*)

✧ Information relating to City Funeral Hall ✧

The facility will undergo partial renovations starting in 2025FY. During this period, access to certain areas may be restricted for users' safety. Cremation services will continue as usual, with efforts made to minimize noise and vibration. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this time.






- **Contact:** ☎055-934-4720 Citizens' Division (*Shimin-ka*)




✧ Lifesaving Seminar: Advanced First Aid Course ✧

- **When:** Sunday, May 25, 9:00 – 17:00
- **Where:** Emergency WorkStation (On the grounds of the municipal hospital)
- **Contents:** Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for adults, children and infants, handling of AED, hemostasis, Heimlich maneuver etc.
- **Who:** Junior high school students and older who live or, commute to work or school in the Sunto Izu Fire Headquarters area
- **Capacity:** 30 participants (first-come-first-served basis)
- **Application method:** By phone from 8:30 am on Friday, April 25
- **Apply/Contact:** ☎ 055-921-9999 Emergency Workstation (*Kyukyu Workstation*)

✧ Let's Enjoy Cycling!! ✧

Start and keep going—enjoy a fun and safe cycling life in Numazu!

<p>Safety and cool cycling lecture</p> <p>Enjoying a safe ride is the foundation of cycling. Let's take a moment to review the essential traffic rules and manners that can sometimes be overlooked.</p>	<p>NO Drinking and Riding.</p> <p>The Road Traffic Law prohibits bicycle riding under the influence of alcohol. Driving under the influence of alcohol carries a penalty of up to three years in prison or a fine of up to ¥500,000. Offering alcohol to someone who will be riding a bicycle is also against the law.</p> 	<p>Smartphones - Hands Off While Riding!</p> <p>Using a smartphone or other devices or gazing at the screen while riding is prohibited. The penalty can be imprisonment for up to 6 months, or a fine of up to ¥100,000. This applies to both smartphones and cell phones.</p> 
<p>Earphones Are Out; But humming is In.</p> <p>It is tempting to listen to music while riding lightly on a bicycle, but using earphones while riding is prohibited. Humming is accepted but not too loud now. ^^</p> 	<p>Bicycles Are Light Vehicles and so are horses!</p> <p>Bicycles are classified as light vehicles under Japanese traffic law. On roads with designated sidewalks and roadways, it is the general rule to ride on the left side of the roadway. Follow road signs and give priority to pedestrians. By the way, horses and rickshaws are also classified as light motor vehicles.</p> 	<p>Helmets are a Must.</p> <p>Wearing helmets has been encouraged for all cyclists as a legal obligation to make an effort since April 2023. To protect your precious lives, the lives of others, cyclists, adults and children, must always wear a helmet when riding.</p> 

It's better to turn your lights on early. Always turn on your lights when riding at night. In principle, lights should be attached to the front and rear of your bicycle. Wearing reflective materials on your clothing and body makes it easier for cars and pedestrians to see you in low light. 	Raincoats are in! Umbrellas are out! Riding a bicycle while holding an umbrella on a rainy day is not only extremely dangerous, but illegal, with a fine of up to ¥50,000. You should consider wearing a raincoat or alternative transportation. 	No side-by-side riding, even if you are close. Riding alongside other bicycles is prohibited. Ride safely in a single file line, even if you are riding with friends or commuting together. Save your conversations for after you've safely arrived. 
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- **Contact:** ☎055-932-4742 Community Safety Division (*Seikatsu Anshin-ka*)

✧ Shingles vaccine Now Included In Routine Vaccination ✧

Shingles is a skin disease caused by the chickenpox virus that incubates in the body for a long period. When immunity is weakened - due to overwork or stress - the virus can resurface, causing a red, blistering rash in a band-like pattern, often accompanied by severe pain. Vaccination can help prevent both the onset and the severity of the disease.

- **Eligibility:** Those who will be 65,70,75,80,85,90,95, or 100 years old during the fiscal year 2025, and those who are 100 years old or older.
- **Vaccination fee:** Live vaccine=4,800 yen
Recombinant vaccine=12,000 yen

- **Vaccination deadline:** Tuesday, March 31, 2026

*You are eligible to receive the routine vaccination only once in your lifetime.

*Vaccination tickets were mailed to eligible individuals in late March. If you have lost or recently moved and have not received one, please contact us for assistance.

*For details, please visit the city website

- **Contact:** ☎055-951-3480 Health Promotion Division/Health Center (*Kenko Zukuri-ka/Hoken Centre*)



✧ Municipal Housing ✧

Name of Municipal Housing	Number of units available
Jiyugaoka Danchi	5
Vira Wisteria (Ooka)	1
Uematsu Y Copo (Higashi Makado)	1
Hara Danchi	9

Name of Municipal Housing	Number of units available
Hara-machinaka Danchi	1
Nakao Danchi	1
Okubo Danchi	3

* There is a limit to the number of parking spaces available to residents.

* You will be able to move-in in late July.

- **Who:** The applicant must meet all the following requirements:
 1. Income does not exceed the stipulated amount.
 2. Must live or work in the city
 3. Currently in need of housing
 4. Not a member of an organized crime syndicate (including housemates), etc.
 5. An emergency contact, with a separate address and income.

- **How to apply:** May 14 (Wed) – 16 (Fri), between 8:30 and 17:00 in person

- **The selection date:** May 27 (Tue) from 13:30.

*Jiyugaoka Danchi (4 units), Vira Wisteria, Uematsu Y Copo, Hara Danchi (6 units), Okubo Danchi are available to single persons aged 60 or above or those who are certified as a person with disability.

*Single people who do not meet the above conditions may only apply for those units which haven't been applied for by anyone for at least 4 months.

*If there are too many applicants, a public lottery will be held.

*If you are applying for the first time, please visit the Housing Policy Division on the 6th floor of the city hall before the application period.

*Units that have not been selected by anyone in the current round of applications will automatically be available.

*You can apply without a guarantor.

*Please contact us for details or visit the city website.

• **Apply/Contact:** ☎055-934-4792 Housing Policy Division (*Jutaku Seisaku-ka*)

✧ Prefectural Housing ✧

• **What:** We are taking application for new residents for prefectural housing every month.

• **Announcement date:** 10th of every month

• **Application period** 10th – 18th of every month

* Please contact us or visit our website for the details of application methods.

• **Apply/Contact:** ☎055-920-2271 Prefectural Housing Provision Public Corporation Eastern Branch Office

• **Contact:** ☎055-934-4792 Housing Policy Division (*Jutaku Seisaku-ka*)



Website

✧ Nighttime Consultation for the payment of Municipal Tax ✧

• **When:** May 16 (Fri), 17:15 - 19:00

• **Where:** Tax Administration Division, 2nd floor, City Hall

• **Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4732 Tax Administration Division (*Nozei Kanri-ka*)

✧ Nighttime Consultation for the payment of National Health Insurance Premiums ✧

• **When:** May 16 (Fri), 17:15 – 19:00

• **Where:** National Health Insurance Division, 1st floor, City Hall

• **Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4727 National Health Insurance Division (*Kokumin Kenko Hoken-ka*)

✧ Have you completed your national health insurance payment? ✧

If you have any overdue payments, please try to pay them early. If you have a situation which makes it difficult to pay before the deadline, please contact us. If you have any overdue payments, the steps listed below may occur.

- Temporarily be charged for all medical expenses
 - No longer be able to be issued a certificate for ceiling-amount; same applies to Myna insurance card.
 - Your workplace or business partnerships may become the subject of a financial investigation. The delinquent payments will cause actions such as seizure.
 - Not be able to receive subsidy for medical checkups
 - **Contact:** ☎055-934-4727 National Health Insurance Division (*Kokumin Kenko Hoken-ka*)
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✧ Application for subsidy of brain medical check-up to members of the medical care system for the elderly ✧

• **Consultation period:** Tuesday, July 1 – Wednesday, December 31

• **Who:** People who enroll in the medical care system for the elderly, has completed the payment of the insurance premiums of last fiscal year, and were not selected for the grant last fiscal year.

*Persons were born before August 31, 1950 can apply. (Consultations will be available from the 75th birthday onwards.

*If you have any implanted medical devices (pacemakers, cochlear implants, etc.) or metals (implants, surgical clips, etc.) in your body, you may not be able to undergo a brain checkup. Please consult with your doctor.

- **Capacity:** 130 people (in case of too many applicants, a lottery will be held))
- **Subsidy:** 30,000 yen (Patient copayment will depend on the medical institution)
- **How to apply:** By phone (Please make sure to prepare your insurance card or certificate of eligibility when you call.)
- **Application period:** Tuesday, May 13 – Friday, June 13
- **Apply/Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4728 National Health Insurance Division (*Kokumin Kenko Hoken-ka*)

✧ Nighttime consultation for payment of water bills ✧

- **When:** May 8 (Thu), 17:15 – 20:00
- **Where:** Water Service Division, 1st floor, Water Works Department Building
- **Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4853 Water Service Division (*Suido Service-ka*)



✧ Water Meter Replacement ✧

A contractor commissioned by the city will visit you for regular replacement of water meters.

When	District
May 23 (Fri) – June 12 (Thu)	Ekinan, Sembon, Kanuki
June 24 (Tue) – July 11 (Fri)	Ekikita, Ooka
July 23 (Wed) – August 8 (Fri)	Ganyudo, Shizuura
August 25 (Mon) – September 10 (Wed)	Katahama, Hara (except for Hara Danchi)
September 24 (Wed) – October 10 (Fri)	Ukishima, Hara Dachi, Ashitaka, Ohira, Uchiura, Nishiura, Heda
October 24 (Fri) – November 14 (Fri)	Kanaoka, Ashitaka

*Those who are eligible will be notified by a postcard.

- **Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4853 Water Service Division (*Suido Service-ka*)

✧ Electronic Application for Subsidy Coupons for Indoor Heated Swimming Pools (outside the city) Begin soon ✧

The city offers subsidy coupons for residents to use indoor heated swimming pools located in neighboring cities and towns. Starting Thursday, May 1, applications for these coupons can be submitted electronically. We encourage you to take advantage of this convenient service.

In addition to the new online application system, you may also apply by visiting the With Sports Division on the 8th floor of City Hall, by mail, or at the City's satellite Office (for the second time or later during the fiscal year).

For details, please visit the city website

- **Apply/Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4875 With Sports Division (*With Sports-ka*)

✧ Chemical Spraying to the Pine Forests ✧

What: In order to protect the pine forests such as Sembon Matsubara, chemical spraying will be carried out in the pine forest. Please do not enter in the designated area on the day we conduct the spraying.

- **Where and When:** 3:30am – 11:00am



Place	First Date	Second Date
Sembonhama Park, Minatoguchi Park, Ganyudo Park, Sembonryokuchi etc.	May 12 (Mon) In case of bad weather, May 15 (Thu) - 17 (Sat)	June 2 (Mon) In case of bad weather, June 5 (Thu) - 7 (Sat)
Numazu Goyoutei Memorial Park, Ushibuseyama Park, etc.	May 13 (Tue) In case of bad weather, May 15 (Thu) - 17 (Sat)	June 3 (Tue) In case of bad weather, June 5 (Thu) - 7 (Sat)

Mihama Misaki and Ita Kaigan	May 14 (Wed) In case of bad weather, May 15 (Thu) - 17 (Sat)	June 4 (Wed) In case of bad weather, June 5 (Thu) - 7 (Sat)
Sembon Matsubara (Higashimakado - Ueda)	May 19 (Mon) - 21 (Wed) In case of bad weather, May 22 (Thu) - 26 (Mon)	June 9 (Mon) - 11 (Wed) In case of bad weather June 12 (Thu) - 16 (Mon)

* Schedules may be changed depending on weather conditions.

* Do not enter in the designated area on the day we conduct the spraying.

- **Contact:** ☎ 055-934-4751 Forestry and Farmland Division (*Norin Nochi-ka*)

✧ Take steps to protect your life from the earthquake - Start at Home ✧

Earthquakes can strike at any time. Take steps to protect yourself, your family, and your property? The city offers support for earthquake preparedness.

Free Furniture Fastening

In past earthquakes, including the recent one in the Noto Peninsula, Ishikawa prefecture, furniture tipping over has caused much damage and injuries. Furniture such as wardrobes and refrigerators can topple over and cause not only injury but also hinder prompt evacuation. To help residents stay safe, the city offers free furniture fastening service, including both installation and hardware fees.

The city does not move furniture or remove hardware once they are installed.

If you live in rental housing, you may need permission from the landlord and other relevant parties before installation.

For details on how to apply, please contact us or visit the city website.

Eligible households for Assistance

- Households consisting only of elderly persons aged 65 and over (If there is a person under 18 years old in the same household, it is still eligible)
- Households including persons at least one person who meets any of the following criteria:
 - ① Holds a physical disability certificate
 - ② Holds a rehabilitation certificate
 - ③ Holds a mental health and welfare certificate
 - ④ Receives a disability welfare pension or basic disability pension, or is eligible to receive one
 - ⑤ Certified as requiring nursing care or support
 - ⑥ Holds a specified medical expenses recipient certificate or a specified disease medical recipient certificate
- Single-mother household

Defined as a household consisting of a mother and children under 18 years old. (Household with a person over 65 years old in the same household are also eligible)

Eligible furniture, etc for assistance

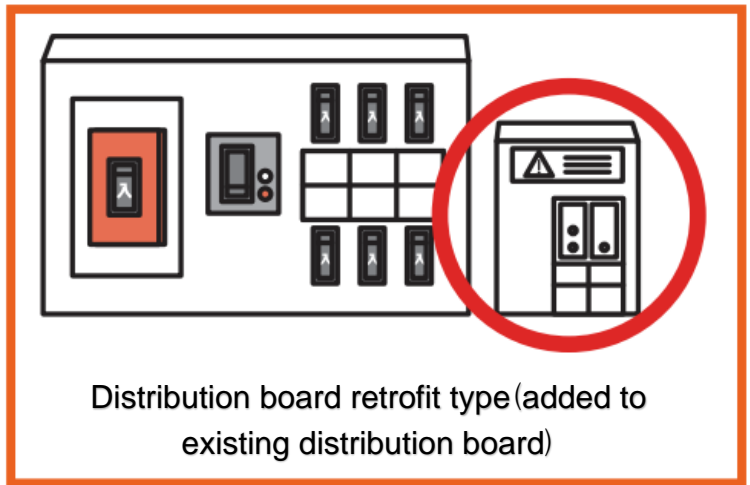
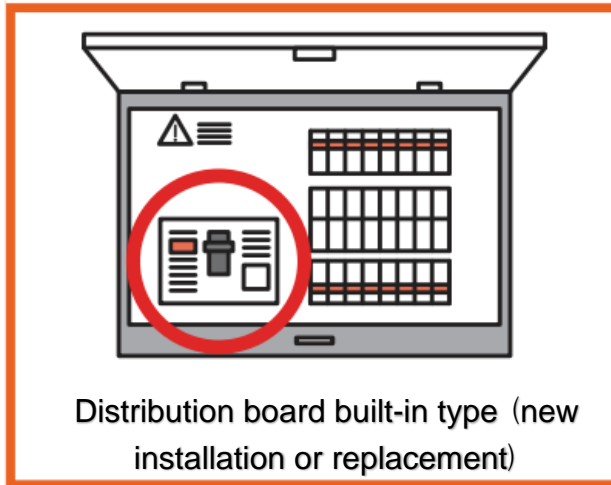
Up to 4 items per household are eligible, such as wardrobes, bookshelves, refrigerator, cupboards, etc.

✕Does not include door opening/closing prevention. This will be available to those who wish, at a cost.

Subsidy Installation Cost of Seismic Breakers

To prevent electrical fires after an earthquake, breakers must be shut off during an evacuation. Seismic breakers are effective devices that shut off electricity after an earthquake to prevent electrical fires that may occur when power is restored. Please use the subsidy for the installation of seismic breakers to prevent earthquakes and fire in your home.

Eligible Equipment



A sensor built into or retrofitted to the distribution board detects earthquake shaking and shuts off electricity by dropping the breaker.

※Outlet type and simple type are not eligible for the subsidy.

※This subsidy applies to those who have the structure and functions of a residential distribution board with seismic sensing function (JWDS0007 Attachment 2), which is a standard set by the Japan Wiring Systems Industries Association (JWISA).



- **Eligibility:** Individuals who intend to install a seismic breaker in the following residences.

Type of Housing	Subsidy Amount
Residence in the city that you own or live in (Owner's approval is required for rental housing.)	Two-third of the equipment purchase and installation cost, and up to a maximum of ¥30,000 (rounded down to the nearest thousand yen)
Residence in the city that is newly built for you to live.	¥10,000

- **How to apply:** Individuals who wish to apply in person or by mail using an application form along with the necessary documents. The form is available at the Crisis Management Division on the 5th floor of City Hall, each district centre, the city library, or on the city website.
- **Application deadline:** The application closes when the budget limit is reached

*Please visit the city website for application status and details

*Application is limited once per household.

*Electrical work is required to install the seismic breaker. Please request an electrician for a quote.

- **Apply/Contact:** ☎055-934-4803 Crisis Management Division (*Kiki Kanri-ka*)
〒410-8601 Numazu City office

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