

Summer Savings Checklist

Save on Energy

- Close doors, blinds, shades and vents
- Use Fans
- Ban the oven
- Program your thermostat
- Unplug Devices
- Turn off your lights
- Inspect your AC
- Hang laundry outside
- Spend time outside or head to the basement
- Use electricity during Off-Peak hours
- Look for alternative ways to "cool off"
- If you work all day, turn your AC off
- Be sure furniture or drapes don't cover vents
- Wear loose clothing

Save while Traveling

- Plan a one gas tank mini trip
- Use internet to find the best deals
- Take advantage of discounts and redeem points

Rooms:

- Stay with friends and family
- Check out owner rentals or vacation homes
- Try an all inclusive resort or cruise
- Get refunds for price drops
- Check out vacation bundles

Flying:

- Bring your own snacks and water
- Use your own I pad
- Fly on Tuesday or Wednesday
- Take advantage of the luggage amount- don't pay for checked luggage
- Search for the BEST deals.

Food:

- Book a room with a kitchen and make your own meals
- Find rooms with free continental breakfasts
- Grab some quick sandwiches from the grocery store

FREE Summer Activities

- In the kitchen: Make your own pizza, cookies, snow cones, popsicles
- Check what the local library has to offer
- Print off free scavenger hunts and coloring pages from Pinterest
- Check for free outdoor local events in your newspaper
- Crafts (start making Christmas gifts)
- Plan a "theme" party or have a "theme" day
- Find fun kid friendly science experiments online
- Create an indoor yarn or box maze
- Have a movie marathon
- Make Lego challenges
- Go to the Home Depot kids free workshop
- Go bowling (search your local allies, they typically have kids bowl free days)
- Go on a picnic
- Ride bikes
- Send your kids outside to "create their own adventure"
- Plan our own Summer Olympics
- Get wet: swimming, sprinklers, water tables, water balloons
- Go stargazing
- Plan a backyard campout

FREE Places to Visit

- Fire station
- Museums
- Library
- Bakery
- Local nursing home (take pictures to share)
- Playgrounds and splash pads
- Local biking/hiking trails
- Farmers market

