



My

CFAY

Weekly
週刊

Volume 9, Issue 22

令和8年6月11日

June 11, 2026

Graduation Ceremony for KHS Class of 2026



Photos by MC2 Quinton A. Lee, CFAY Public Affairs

**IN THIS
ISSUE:**

**Navy Environmental Team
Ensures CFAY Drinking Water
Exceeds Quality Standards**

**Water Conservation/
Off-Base Escapes for Mid-June**

AROUND CFAY



Navy Environmental Team Ensures CFAY Drinking Water Exceeds Quality Standards

Story by CFAY Public Affairs

Photos by Airman Lara Llabres, CFAY Public Affairs

Behind every tap at U.S. Fleet Activities Yokosuka, a dedicated team of environmental experts works continuously to ensure the drinking water remains fit for consumption for the entire base population.

Through rigorous testing, international coordination and strict compliance protocols, the Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) Public Works Department guarantees the installation's water meets and exceeds safety standards.

"Our goal is to apply some of the strictest applicable environmental standards from the states to our overseas environment. We aim to uphold the longstanding agreement between the government of Japan and CFAY to be good environmental stewards," said Sean Foote, CFAY environmental compliance branch chief.



A Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) Public Works contractor collects a water sample at CFAY June 8. This recurring test ensures the base's water is fit for human consumption.

Rigorous Testing Protocols

The physical sampling process requires strict scientific discipline. Certified operators and contractors draw water samples from designated taps across the base at predetermined frequencies. For example, the team collects 25 bacteriological samples every month for main base.

"Each water quality test follows an approved sampling method, which will dictate all requirements, from what

personal protective equipment sampler's use, what certifications the sampler needs to have, what type, size, and material the sampling bottles must be, and what type of holding time the samples need to have," Foote said.

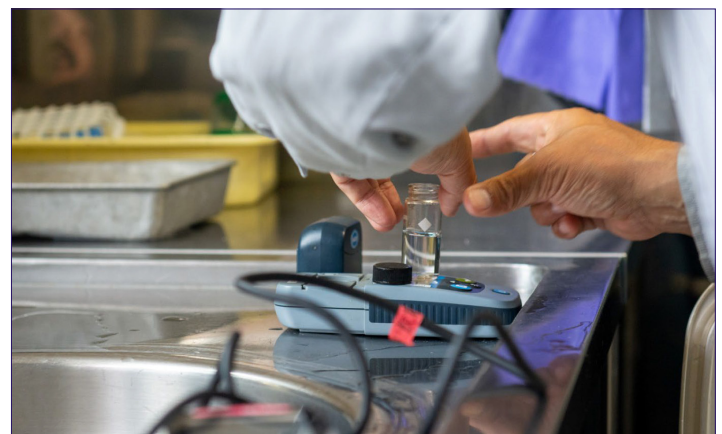
Because the team tests for such a wide variety of chemicals and bacteria, each sample requires its own highly specific collection procedure. Safely and accurately capturing samples requires technicians to follow rigid protocols in the field.

"The sampling program covers various analytes that we have in water," said Yoshiaki Kanazawa, CFAY environmental management system manager. "We look at various components of water and evaluate those components against quality standards to make sure the water our tenants receive meets and exceeds those quality standards."

Preparing for Infrastructure Repairs

Beyond routine sampling, the environmental team also manages the quality of our water supply during major infrastructure projects, including the upcoming water line repair. Foote understands that residents might feel unease when they see construction on the water lines. He emphasizes that the team leaves nothing to chance.

"I can say with confidence that CFAY's water has been and remains fit for human consumption," Foote said. "We have been preparing for months (for the water line repair) and have looped in all pertinent parties. We've planned for all contingencies, and we're ready to go."



A Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka Public Works contractor uses a pocket colorimeter to test a water sample at CFAY June 8. This is part of routine water quality testing to ensure is fit for human consumption.

A Note to the Fleet Activities Yokosuka Community

On Wednesday, June 17 through Thursday, June 18, Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) is scheduled to conduct a water line repair near Carney Gate. From June 15 – 18, water conservation efforts are in place to lessen the water demand during and leading up to the repair period.

As a standard public health precaution, a Boil Water Advisory for Main Base will take effect immediately following the repair at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, and is expected to remain in place for approximately three days while water samples are tested and validated.

We recognize that any disruption to a service as essential as water affects our households, workspaces, and daily routines. For the most up-to-date information, visit the CFAY water line repair landing page at <https://go.mil/cfay-water>. Conditions can shift once work is underway, and we are committed to keeping you informed as new details emerge.

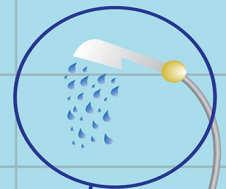
While the Boil Water Advisory is being implemented out of an abundance of caution, ensuring the health, safety, and overall well-being of our Sailors, civilians, and families remains our top priority. Thank you for your patience and partnership as we complete this important work.



WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS



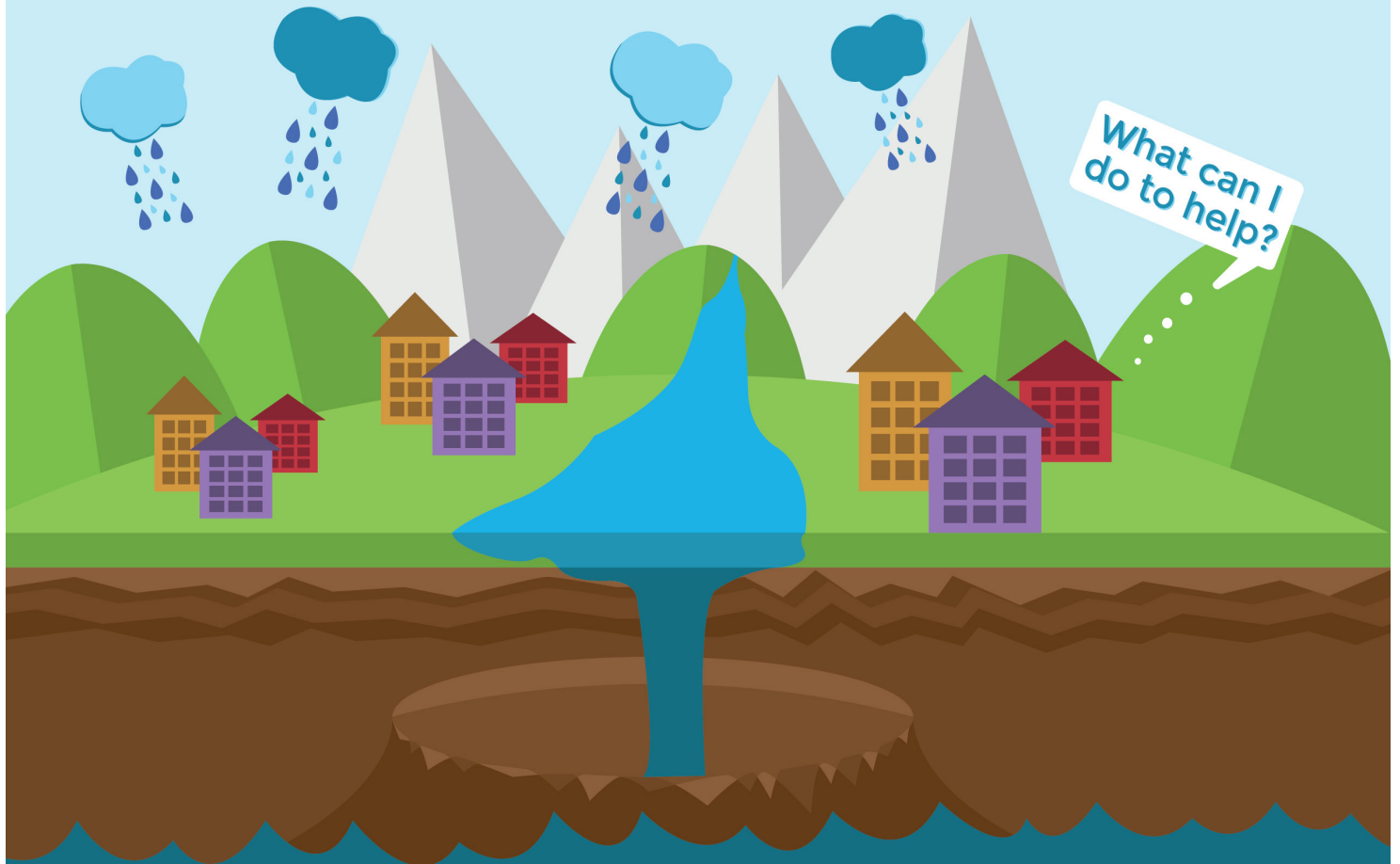
When washing your hands, turn off the water while you lather.



Reducing your time in the shower by just three minutes can save about eight gallons of water.



WATER CONSERVATION



- Wait until you have a full load before using the dishwasher
- Regularly check faucets and pipes for leaks
- Thaw frozen food in the refrigerator or microwave, not under running water
- Check faucets and pipes for leaks regularly

- For washers with variable settings for water volume, select the minimum amount required per load
- Operate the washer with full loads
- Use the shortest wash cycle for lightly soiled loads
- Pretreat stains to avoid rewashing laundry
- Check hoses regularly for leaks



- Keep tub baths to a minimum. Bathe in a partially-filled tub
- Replace leaky drain plugs in sinks and bathtubs
- Install water-saving showerheads
- Take shorter showers. Limit your showers to the time it takes to clean and rinse yourself
- Report malfunctioning sprinkler heads and systems



WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS



Washing dishes by hand uses nearly 5,000 more gallons of water a year than using a dishwasher.



DISHWASHERS COULD SAVE YOU NEARLY

5K GALLONS OF WATER A YEAR



WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS

Turn off the water while you brush your teeth and you could save up to 4 gallons of water per minute.



This could save a family of four

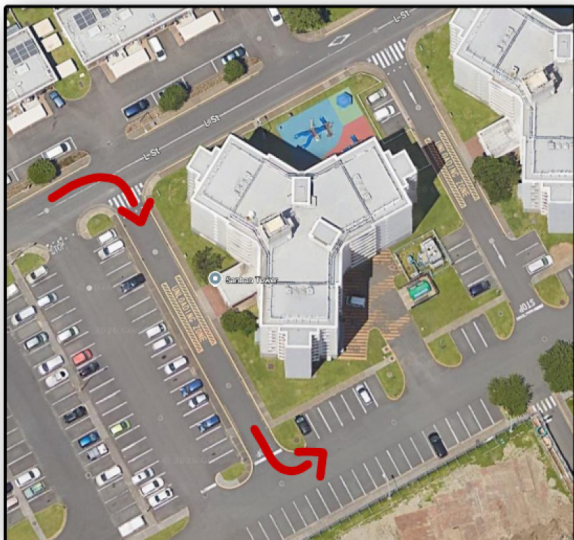
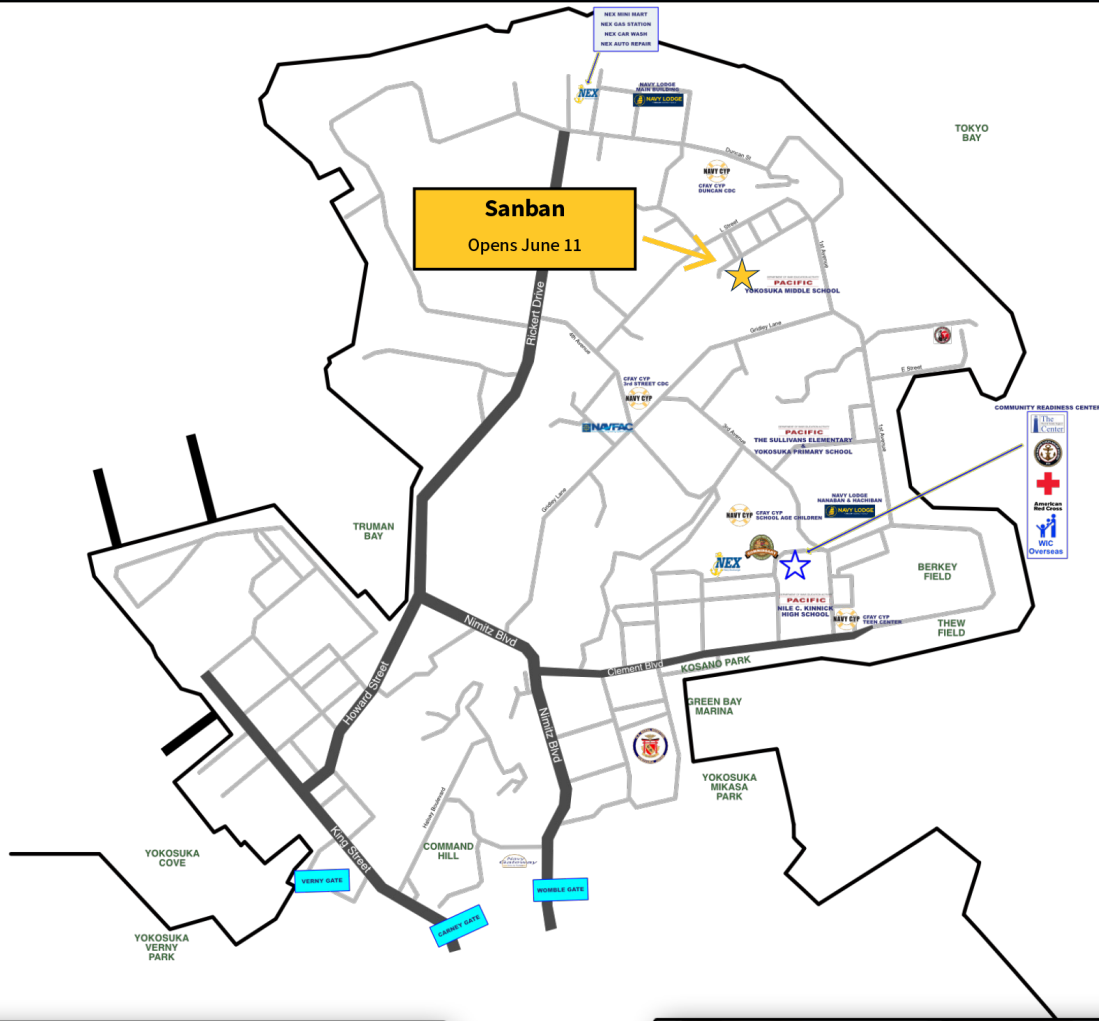
200 GALLONS PER WEEK!



BOTTLED WATER DISTRIBUTION

Hours of Operation:
June 11- June 21, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

All personnel living and working on base are authorized to use the bottled water distribution points. A government ID is required to pick up water. Personnel are asked to act in good faith. The recommended quantity is one to two cases per authorized individual. One bottle of hand sanitizer per personnel. Personnel who cannot pick up their own water may have a friend pick it up on their behalf. Pet owners may also use the bottled water distribution for their pets. Commands are authorized to pick up bottled water in bulk.



Off-Base Escapes for Mid-June

By James Kimber, CFAY Public Affairs

With scheduled water line repairs at Fleet Activities Yokosuka's Carney Gate June 17 and 18, there's no better time to pack up the family, head out the gates, and explore Japan.

Mid-June is thick in Japan's rainy season, or tsuyu. But don't let the clouds keep you indoors. This week leads right up to the June 21 summer solstice, which means many local parks are throwing massive botanical displays, neighborhood festivals, and evening illuminations. Best of all? Almost everything on this list is entirely free.

Here's a brief guide to some of the best off-base events happening during the Water Line Repair period.

Local: Yokosuka and the Miura Peninsula

• **Yokosuka Iris Festival:** Walk through 10 acres of 140,000 blooming Japanese irises at Shobuen, where caretakers still work the fields in traditional Edo-period gear. It's a massive, kid-friendly outdoor space that looks especially vibrant on a misty day. <https://www.ryokukazouen.jp/iris/>



• **DobuSab FES Stamp Rally:** Barely Beyond The Gate, Dobuita Street has a stamp rally to explore city's submarine culture at local shops and eateries. Grab a Navy Burger, check out the Sukajan jackets, and support the local economy.

<https://dobuita-st.com/news/dobusubfes-2026.html>

• **Travel Note:** If you were planning to visit the Yokosuka Museum of Art, scratch it from the itinerary. It is completely closed for renovations until August 2026, though the surrounding Kannonzaki park trails remain open.

A Little Further: Yokohama and Kanagawa

• **Hakkeijima Hydrangea Festival:** Explore this amusement park island in Tokyo Bay for absolutely free, checking out 20,000 hydrangeas across eight viewing zones. It's an unbeatable, low-stress spot for a family picnic

right by the water. https://www.welcome.city.yokohama.jp/eventinfo/ev_detail.php?bid=yw9946

• **Kawasaki Sanno Festival:** Ditch the massive Tokyo crowds for a highly authentic, community-driven neighborhood festival at Inage Shrine, complete with traditional food stalls called yatai. <https://visitkanagawa.jp/destination/kawasaki-sanno-festival/1852>



• **Nagao no Sato Hydrangea Festival (Sunday, June 21):** Hosted at Myorakuji Temple, this one-day event features a thunderous local children's taiko drum performance, outdoor tea ceremonies, and a kids' Japanese chess school. <http://tamaku-kanko.net/?p=4607>

• **Hakone Night Hydrangea Train:** Ride a train up a steep volcanic mountain where conductors dim the interior lights to showcase floodlit hydrangeas right outside your window. Obviously, there is a required train fare. <https://www.hakonenavi.jp/groupnews/16482/>

City Bound: Tokyo Highlights

• **Sanno Matsuri Closing Ceremony (Wednesday, June 17):** Catch the quiet closing of this massive festival at Hie Jinja, featuring a completely silent, highly structured traditional tea-offering ceremony at 10 a.m. <https://visit-chiyoda.tokyo/en/sannomatsuri/>

• **Candle Night for a Million People (Saturday, June 20):** Head to Zojoji Temple to see 1,690 candles illuminate the grounds while the adjacent Tokyo Tower goes completely dark for an hour at 8 p.m. Show up early at 2 p.m. to catch the acoustic music and organic food market. <https://www.zojoji.or.jp/news/600.html>

Weekend Getaways

• **Himeji Yukata Matsuri (June 20–21):** Take the bullet train to Hyogo Prefecture for Japan's oldest yukata festival, where wearing the traditional summer garb gets you massive discounts on the castle, zoo, and local attractions. <https://visit-himeji.com/en/events/himeji-yukata-festival/>

• **Geshi Purification at Futami Okitama Shrine (June 21):** Down in Mie Prefecture, ring in the summer solstice by watching worshippers wade into the ocean at dawn to purify themselves as the sun rises perfectly between the famous Wedded Rocks. <https://en.ise-kanko.jp/focus/futamiokitamashirine/>

Did You Know: Traffic Safety Trivia

A. Off-limits area

B. No stopping zone

C. Crosswalk ahead

D. Safety zone

1.



2.



3.



4.



Answers: A-2, B-3, C-4, D-1



Father's Day Weekend Buffet

Club Takemiya
June 20 & 21
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Celebrate all Dads at Club Takemiya as we host a 2-day special Father's Day buffet. We will have soup, appetizers, salads, breakfast specialties, a carving station, hot dishes, assorted desserts & beverages.

Reservations are highly recommended.
Please call 046-806-8077
\$25 / Adults
\$17.50 / Kids (13 - 17) • \$12.50 / Kids (8 - 12)
Free / Kids (7 & Under)
Open to All Hands



Thank You Dad!

Green St.,
Ikego &
Third Ave.
SAC

SUMMER CAMP

**Nine weeks
of activities**
June 15 - August 14
6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**MAKE
NEW
FRIENDS**

**FOR MORE
INFORMATION CALL**
IKEGO SAC
046-806-8301
GREEN ST. SAC
046-896-4100

THIRDAVE. SAC
046-816-3439



Request Child Care on
MilitaryChildCare.com





Child and Youth Programs CYP Registration

BEYOND THE GATE

Zushi World Trip Festa

June 14 (Sunday)

10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | Zushi Cultural Plaza Civic Exchange Center (3-minute walk from Keikyu Zushi-Hayama Station, KK-53/6-minute walk from JR Zushi Station, JT-16)

Let's take a passport-free trip around the world! This workshop is designed to enhance the quality of life of international residents in Zushi. There will be food booths, stage events and international shops.

Yokosuka Morning Market

June 20 (Saturday) - 22 (Sunday)

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. | Ichigo Yokosuka Port Market (10-minute walk/3-minute drive from Yokosuka Base Womble Gate)

Find a wide variety of local products like freshly picked vegetables, seafood, and a quality selection of meat.



Kamakura Goshō Shrine Annual Festival

June 13 (Saturday) - 14 (Sunday)

Saturday, 6 p.m./Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Kamakura Gohō Shrine/Zaimokuza Beach area (20-minute walk from JR Kamakura Station, JO-07)

The Goshō Shrine Annual Festival commemorates the guardian shrine of the Zaimokuza area in Kamakura. A small mikoshi will be paraded through the streets, followed by floats and residents, and dipped into the sea at Zaimokuza Beach.

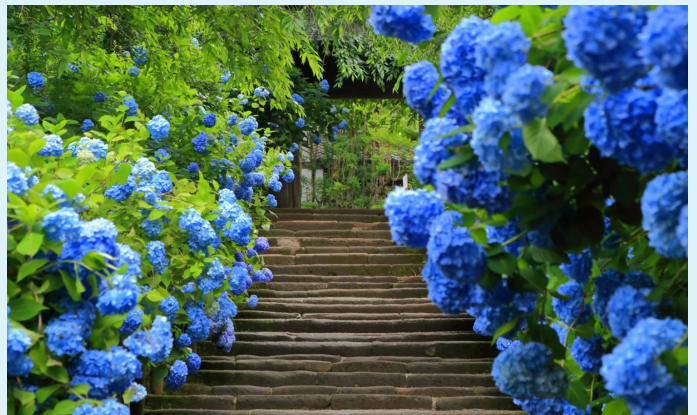


Odawara Castle Hydrangea and Iris Festival

Until June 14 (Sunday)

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. | Odawara Castle (8-minute walk from JR Odawara Station, JT-16)

The grounds of Odawara Castle are sprinkled with more than 10,000 irises and 2,500 hydrangeas. They contrast beautifully with the brilliant red bridge in Odawara Castle Ruins Park. The flowers will be lit from sunset (around 7 p.m.) till 8:30 p.m. On the weekend during the festival, food trucks and stalls will open in front of Hanashobu Square.



Hydrangea Temple Gardens in Kamakura

Hasedera | 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (3-minute walk from Enoden Hase Station, EN-12).

Meigetsuin | 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (10-minute walk from JR Kita-Kamakura Station, JO-08).

Tokeiji | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (3-minute walk from JR Kita-Kamakura Station, JO-08).

Jojuin | 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (5-minute walk from Enoden Gokurakuji Station, EN-11).

NEWS AND NOTICES

PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

Want to effect change and be a part of healthcare solutions that affect our Sailors and their families? Join the Patient and Family Partnership Council at USNH Yokosuka. Engage directly with hospital leadership in matters that concern the health and welfare of CFAY. Join us at the upcoming meetings.

- July 7 from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Naval Hospital's Command Auditorium, 3rd floor.

If there is a specialty or any medical personnel you are hoping to meet, please let us know so we can try our best to ensure attendance. You can also send in questions beforehand to our distro email:

dha.yokosuka.yokosuka-nh.list.pfpc@health.mil

CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURES

Yokosuka: Carney Gate will be reduced to one inbound and two outbound vehicle lanes during following maintenance periods:

- June 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- June 17, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Two partial road and one parking lot closure between Main Street Food Court and the NEX Home Gallery is scheduled Saturday, June 6 continuing through the fall of 2026 for construction of the new bowling center and food court.
- Howard Street partial road closure from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the following days. June 5 -30.
- Clement Street partial road closure from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m., until July 3.
- High traffic lane modification

from 5 to 8:30 a.m. Outbound traffic merges into one lane in front of the CPO Club. Inbound traffic will shift to the two middle lanes creating a two lane inbound pattern in front of Building 1997.

- Partial Road Closures are required for cleaning of CHT lines at various locations on base. Two-Way Traffic will be maintained through flagmen.

- San Diego Street: Until June 19.
- The parking lot in front of Afloat Training Group Western Pacific is secured through 2027 in support of the Navigation, Seamanship and Shiphandling Trainer construction.

Ikego: Imattumi Road partial closure for general excavation work until Dec. 30.

American Red Cross Classes CPR Training, Basic Life Support, and Babysitting Basics

All classes are blended learning classes. Classes may be added based on community need and instructor availability. Enroll today!

CPR/AED/First Aid Course (\$18)

- Saturday, June 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 30, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

To register, email: Yokosuka@redcross.org with the class and preferred date/time. You will receive a payment link and be asked to send your receipt in order to guarantee a spot in the course.

 Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka

 @CFAY_Japan

 cfay-information@us.navy.mil

Receive My CFAY Weekly by email! Subscribe at cfay-information@us.navy.mil, subject line: Subscribe