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# Foreword

Around similar time every month, hundreds and thousands of Americans are visiting their mailboxes finding the comfort of their preferred magazine just to be faced with white envelopes having small cellophane windows. Most people are probably used to these mailers, water, telephone, gas and electric bills, all planning to take part of their hard-earned income. For the majority of individuals, making payments on utility bills could be a frustrating and hostile task. Get all the info you need here.



## ***Living Off The Grid***

When Living Within The Grid Is Not Making Sense Anymore

# Chapter 1:

## *What Is Living Off The Grid?*

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### Synopsis

What if there is something you can do or use to avoid these expensive bills from coming each and every month? Good thing, there is. Living “off-grid” is fast becoming a very popular option to those people wishing to lessen their carbon footprint, affirm their independence and stay away from the reliance to fossil fuels. Having this kind of lifestyle should be a very helpful idea if you want to cut off your monthly bill and at the same time to show your concern to the environment.



## **The Basics**

“The Grid” is the common term used for power grid. This is the connected system which designates electricity to the accumulations. An average house is linked to natural gas, telephone, water and power lines. Choosing to go off the grid should mean that you will turn away from those public utilities in support of producing your very own energy.

A few homeowners decide to be off the grid partially through producing the supply to their own energy and trenching their phone lines, while depending on the comfort offered by the city sewage and water. Other people choose from completely living off the grid through digging wells or making use of some cistern system in order to fetch water. A functional septic tank will take care of the sewage, which means you will no longer need to incur any water bill.

This is completely what you can get from living off the grid. It is a method that will enable you from changing your way of living and avoid you from incurring the bills you often receive every month. Therefore, if you want to learn and understand how this living method will be able to change your life for the better, checking out the following chapters should provide you the best ideas.

# Chapter 2:

## *Advantages of Living off the Grid*

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### Synopsis

Living your life to the fullest can be achieved once you make the most of using the innovative technological equipment introduced these days. However, this can be a bit difficult because if you choose to make the most of these pieces of equipment, it means a huge swell into your monthly bills. Just like what is mentioned earlier, most homeowners have to face the consequences of using their electricity in the form of the bills sent to them every month.



## **Benefits**

This is exactly where the role of “Living off the Grid” enters the scene. Choosing to go off the grid has a number of advantages. Deciding to go with this kind of lifestyle is not just advantageous to the people who use it, but also to the whole environment. Indeed, the natural environment can be a lot safer through opting to convert from fossil energy into an alternative power supply.

By using this method, you are helping in making the ecosystem an even more dependable and secure planet to live in. Some of the most common energy solutions that are often harnessed include green power energy coming from the wind, sun and water. These ones are called wind, solar and hydro-power.

With the application of green power, there are nil hazardous by-products, which mean that you can continuously make use of it without polluting or damaging the ecosystem. Once used, fossil fuel gives off dangerous by-products which are disseminated in many forms within the ecosystem.

After they have been used, these fossil fuels form hazardous nitrates, such as nitrogen oxide that goes back to the environment in the production of acid rain and many others. In fact, these by-products are known as the common causes for global increased temperatures.

When identified and practiced more efficiently, living off the grid should provide a huge impact to the atmosphere. Using this kind of method may even prevent global warming, which certainly benefits



all people on earth. One of the most interesting advantages you can get from living off the grid is the minimized energy expenses. When you really start to live off the grid, you may think that you are wasting more as compared to simply staying on conventional energy sources. However, the truth is that in the long run, you are switching over to something more secure, more advantageous and less costly.

At first it can be a bit costly, as you will need to purchase solar panels or pieces of hydro-power equipment you will use to start the process. However, once you are done with the process of purchasing and installing the equipment, you will then feel the benefits of not acquiring daily gas, electric and water bills.

This should take effect after a couple of days of straight utilization of the green power. In addition to this, the pieces of equipment that you will install can really be used for a long time, so can guarantee to make the most of its use.

Living off the grid will also give you the advantage of influencing and contributing to other people interested about using the same method. These days, there are a number of people getting interested about living off the grid, yet cannot continue because of having lack of knowledge.

In this case, once you've been a personal user of the method, you can then fill in this gap. Having the sufficient and reliable knowledge about the method, you can then eliminate the faulty information acquired by people from others who simple don't what they are talking about. If you know the right information regarding living off

the grid, you can then help those people close to you to take the right path by living off the grid.

Aside from these advantages mentioned above, there are many other advantages you will be able to discover once you use the method by yourself.



# Chapter 3:

## *Is It Practical To Live Off The Grid?*

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### Synopsis

Is it practical to live off the grid? This is a good question to be answered. Quite the obvious, it is indeed practical to choose living off the grid. Apart from the benefits offered by living off the grid, which are mentioned earlier, another striking advantage you can actually get from using this method is practicality.



## **Have A Look**

It is indeed a wise decision if you will switch to living off the grid because of the many different advantages you can actually acquire from it. Living off the grid is very practical first because of its cost efficiency. On the other hand, just like what have been mentioned earlier, you will need to face the expenses when purchasing the pieces of equipment needed to make the system work. For instance, you wish to take advantage of the sunlight, you will then require the presence of solar panels. Yes, it could be a bit expensive to purchase this kind of equipment. Yet, after you've set it up, there is a guarantee that you will make the most of its use for quite a long period of time.

Yet, it is a practical decision to live off the grid because you will be able to free yourself from your dependency on utility grid. By living off the grid, you will no longer acquire continuous dependency on the typical utility grid. Getting used to living without the dependency on utility grid will be a lot better than what you can imagine. It will prevent you from incurring the bills you get every month, which means greener and healthier environment for everyone.

Hence, if you are having some second thoughts about choosing to live off the grid, worry no more because deciding to use this method means you make a wise decision.

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