

## **Basic Concept**

The Toho Gas Group is advancing efforts to contribute to a sustainable society, addressing diverse regional needs and challenges such as carbon neutrality and enhanced resilience. We are deepening our collaboration with municipalities and other public entities, primarily in the three-prefecture Tokai region (Aichi, Gifu, and Mie), further strengthening our engagement with customers and striving to co-create new value. By addressing the emerging challenges in the region, we aim to contribute to achieving prosperity within the region.

## **Examples of Efforts to Coexist with Local Communities**

| Activity                            | Social issue  | Activity overview  |
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| Carbon credit creation              | Promoting the use of carbon credits to achieve carbon neutrality  | Using ENE FARM and solar power generation system residential fuel cells installed in homes with subsidies from local governments, we compile the amount of CO2 reduced in the home, convert it to J-Credits, and use them in the local government area to promote local production and local distribution of environmental value and contribute to realizing carbon neutrality in the region.  |
| Regional<br>new power generation    | Promoting local production (or sourcing) and consumption of energy, local economic circulation, and decarbonization   | We have established new regional power companies with local governments and other organizations in an effort to supply electricity generated from local power sources such as waste-to-energy to public facilities, thereby promoting carbon neutrality in the region and contributing to local production and local distribution of energy. Moving forward, we will also contribute to regional revitalization such as by donating business profits to local governments. |
| Next-generation education           | Creating educational opportunities for children to promote environmentally conscious behavioral changes   | In collaboration with local governments with which we have entered into cooperation agreements or registered as SDGs partners, we are working to raise awareness of the SDGs through environmental and energy education, as well as events for children who will lead the next generation.   |
| School club activity reform support | Providing support for retaining instructors and streamlining operations in preparation for the transition of school club activities to local communities        | As part of the "Toho Gas Tsunagutech" solution service for local governments, we aim to reduce the administrative burden on local governments through the introduction of more efficient systems, while utilizing corporate personnel as external instructors for school club activities.  |
| Child development support           | Creating opportunities to utilize child<br>development support facilities and providing<br>high-quality education for children with<br>developmental challenges | We established Flower Kids Nobiruko child development support facility to nurture children's emotions and social skills through creative activities and life experiences tailored to their individual traits and personalities.  |

## Collaborating with Local Governments in **Promoting Solutions for Social Issues**

We are deepening cooperation with local governments in various aspects, such as supporting carbon neutrality efforts and creating initiatives for new regional electric power companies, thereby contributing to creating more attractive communities (commenced collaborative agreements with local governments on 19 projects).

## Establishment of Corporate Venture Capital (CVC) Fund

We established the CVC "Shin Infrastructure Fund by TOHO GAS" with the aim of creating businesses through collaborations with start-ups that have innovative technologies and ideas.

Through fund management in four key areas agriculture and food, wellness and well-being, real estate, and tourism—we will contribute to the creation of new businesses and the development of local communities.





Initiatives related to local community contribution For details, please visit our website.

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