

## **The Case Against Air Conditioning- STAN COX**

This essay is about why Washington/America should stop using air conditioners in everyday life with the expectation of hospitals, archives, and cooling centers. The author supports his argument by providing examples of what Washington would look like without air conditioners at work, at home, and around town. Cox's starts out with using modern day examples of people using air conditioning to beat the Heat and why it is bad.

Cox's wants readers to turn down, turn off, or just completely eliminate air conditioning use. He believes that it will benefit us by making neighborhoods more friendly, laws laxer, and climate change less of an issue.

People in Washington did not have to experience extreme heat because their houses were equipped with air conditioners. Air conditioners not only reduce heat but increase electricity bills and help increase greenhouse effects. This is not a smart activity because we are ruining our own environment. Refrigerators burn fossil fuels, which emit greenhouse gases. The greenhouse gases raise global temperatures. As a result, we will need more air conditioning.

America is one of the world's highest greenhouse-gas emitting countries. Now the consumption of electricity in America has doubled since the early 1990s.

Rather than sitting and entertaining alone in one's room, people in the neighborhood will get time to know one another. Because there are more people outside, there will be less crime and people will feel safer.

The deaths of elderly people inside their apartments will also decline because they will be spending more time outside. They will get immediate care from the public than they were at home.

Most people will now opt for cycling. There will be no school days for kids during the hot season. Children will also spend more time outside, somewhere in the shady playgrounds and water sprinklers will also increase in every neighborhood.

All houses will have green roofs due to grass, vegetables, etc. More greenery will be seen around the city. There will be more green tops of government and commercial buildings. These tops will obviously reduce the room temperature.