



#### **Clean Air Partners**

Contributing to Improvements in Air Quality

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## Who We Are

- Public-private partnership formed in 1995 and comprised of a 31person Board representing:
  - Local governments (DC, MD, and VA)
  - State transportation and environmental agencies
  - Businesses and major employers
  - Advocacy groups (health, environmental, education, and transportation)
- Clean Air Partners was founded by MWCOG and BMC to
  - improve the Baltimore-Washington region's air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through voluntary actions.
  - increase public awareness about the health effects of air quality.



#### **Our Mission**

Educate individuals, businesses, and organizations in the greater metropolitan Baltimore-Washington region about health risks associated with poor air quality and the impacts on our environment.



# **Outreach Activity**

- School Program
- Air Quality Forecasting
- Social Media Campaigns
- Pop Up Events





## On the Air

- Standards-aligned air quality curriculum created to support inquiry-based science education for students in grades 5-12
- Available to teachers as a tool, and Education Program Manager is available to present in the classroom
- Key concepts
  - how ozone and particulate matter pollution affects human health
  - how human activities and weather influence short and long-term trends in air quality
  - connection between air quality and water quality in the Chesapeake Bay
  - climate change and the role of air pollution in rising sea levels





#### **Collaboration with Air Quality Forecasting**

- Partner with MD, MWCOG, DC, and VA to provide daily air quality forecasts and current air quality conditions via web and smartphone app
- Historic daily regional air quality data from 1993 on available to view
- Air Quality Index education







#### **Social Media Campaigns**

- Air Quality Awareness Week
  - May 2 to May 6
- Monthly social media posts sharing every day tips for reducing emissions
  - Toolkits with ready made content available monthly
- Ozone Action Month
  - Partner with influencers and meteorologists to spread emissions reductions tips

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**#DYK** the fashion industry contributes 10% of all carbon emissions? If you're in need of some new clothes, we recommend forgoing fast fashion and checking out your local thrift shop to find something new-to-you!

Follow us for more clean air tips!

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#### **Pop Up Events**





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