

It's Important to **Reduce Idling** in Your Community

1. Reducing Idling Makes the Air Cleaner in Your Community

Cleveland as well as most of Northeast Ohio is in violation of Federal Clean Air Standards (called non-attainment) for both ozone and fine particle matter. This finding has severe impacts for both the health and economic future of our area as non-attainment status may limit production capabilities of existing industries and could keep new industries from locating in our region.

Diesel exhaust contains billions of very fine particles known as particulate matter.

2. There is a Link Between Exhaust and Your Health

You can protect everyone's health and help everyone to breathe easier by reducing idling.

Idling dirties the air and causes significant health impacts. Diesel exhaust can be especially harmful to the elderly and children who are more susceptible to air pollution than healthy adults.

3. You Can Save Money by Not Wasting Fuel, and Reduce Wear-and-Tear on Engines

Idling for more than just 10 seconds uses more fuel than restarting engines. One hour of idling consumes one gallon of fuel. Idling for 10 minutes a day uses more than 27 gallons of fuel a year.

Idling causes significantly more wear on internal engine parts compared to driving at regular speeds.

How Can You Help?

Don't idle your engine.

Join communities across Northeast Ohio to **adopt citywide Idle Reduction Legislation**. Encourage your **children's school** and your **business** to adopt an Idle Reduction policy.



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