

# ASTHMA COALITION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL COALITION MEETING

**Meeting Notes  
October 24, 2011**

ISSUE/TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FINDINGS
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review minutes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting was called to order at 1:15pm</li> <li>Minutes were reviewed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes approved as written.</li> </ul>
<b>Presentation and Discussion: “The Clean Cars Campaign and new CARB Regulations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jane Warner – President and CEO of the American Lung Association in California</li> </ul>	<p>Highlights from the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Purpose is to support clean car standards. Smog, greenhouse gases, fuel cell cars, clean fuels outlet.</li> <li>California is the leader for many car standards. Cleaner cars will create jobs in CA.</li> <li>38% of greenhouse gas emissions are from transportation.</li> <li>“Road to Clean Air Report” ALAC showed the benefits of strong advanced clean car regulations. Could save up to \$7 billion in health and other societal damages annually.</li> <li>Annual cost savings with clean cars \$12,000 per vehicle.</li> <li>CARB will meet January 26-27, 2012 in Los Angeles to vote on proposed regulations. Urge everyone to go and show support.</li> <li>What you can do to help: letters to the editor, show up in January, think about how we can educate everyone, etc. Most important thing is to get local governments involved.</li> <li>Get involved at <a href="http://www.calcleancars.org">www.calcleancars.org</a>. Endorsement form is available on website.</li> <li>Opposition to Clean Cars Campaign is the typical fight in corporate America.</li> <li>We have to outweigh the numbers, presence, and sense of the car company’s oppositions.</li> <li>Get everyone involved even kids can help.</li> </ul>	
<b>Small Group Discussion:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broke out into 5 groups and discussed a series of questions the most critical being “how can your organization provide support for the Clean Cars Campaign?”</li> </ul>	<p><b>Ways participating organizations can provide support for the Clean Cars Campaign</b></p> <p>Group 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letters of support from Queenscare, BreatheLA, TCC</li> <li>Circulate a petition through social media</li> <li>Have Dr. Vinetz and Dr. Neal Richmond testify along with patients or family members</li> <li>Have city resolutions</li> </ul> <p>Group 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase awareness to the communities they serve and inform their friends.</li> <li>Individuals can work to promote policy change.</li> <li>Attend the January CARB meeting</li> <li>Send letters to local politicians as tax payers</li> <li>Speak to superiors in individual organizations</li> </ul> <p>Group 3:</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACLAC can advertise, network, emails to members</li> <li>• Personally talk to friends, purchase clean vehicle, call political reps</li> <li>• Template letters</li> <li>• List of CARB members and contact info</li> <li>• Appeal to university and college student activists.</li> </ul> <p>Group 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Get organizations to endorse clean cars campaign</li> <li>• Send letters of support. Steering committee to draft template for other organizations to send to CARB members</li> <li>• Testify: steering committee draft bullet points and individuals show up to support those who testify</li> <li>• Bring awareness to other groups</li> </ul> <p>Group 5:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letters to legislature, place on org. websites, personal twitter and facebook, community meetings, workshop in community, school parent groups, church groups</li> <li>• Put on websites, social media, youtube, attending the hearing in January, providing the public with information, talking to elected officials, meeting with CARB</li> <li>• Will need translation and interpretation for hearing</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Workgroup Updates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Asthma Friendly Schools</b></li> <li>• <b>Outdoor Air</b></li> <li>• <b>Indoor Environments</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Clinical Workgroup will regroup in 2012 – currently not meeting.</li> <li>• Healthy Schools Workgroup: Kerry Van Frank submitted draft comprehensive asthma policy to be considered by the Pasadena Unified School District. The hope is Pasadena will be our model district since it is small and the asthma policy can be expanded to larger districts in the future, with the goal of establishing a policy within LAUSD.</li> <li>• Indoor Air Workgroup: Contact Katie if interested in getting involved with the workgroup.</li> <li>• Outdoor Air Workgroup will be leading the Clean Cars Campaign on behalf of the Coalition.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Announcements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial Report - Pass the Hat</li> <li>• Legislative Update</li> <li>• Fight for Air Walk Results</li> <li>• Regional Meeting of Asthma Coalitions</li> <li>• From the Floor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not passing the hat this meeting</li> <li>• Financial report: about \$4,200 left in budget</li> <li>• Legislative update: there were 3 new proposed policies that the Asthma Coalition recently supported.</li> <li>• Fight for Air Walk, Coalition had a team of 3, ACLAC ranked #8 out of top 10 teams for amount of money raised.</li> <li>• CAFA/ RAMP held a regional meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>. Great meeting with an opportunity to find out what other coalitions are doing in So. Cal.</li> <li>• Project TRUST is hosting a multi-housing forum. Will update with more information.</li> </ul>	