

Welcome



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Welcome and Introductions

Please tell us...

What is your name?

Where do you work?



Membership Agreements

ASTHMA COALITION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

Mission Statement:

The Asthma Coalition of Los Angeles County acts as a collective, powerful voice for policy and systems change to prevent, minimize and manage the burden of asthma.

Coalition Goals:

The document "Controlling Asthma in Los Angeles: A Call to Action" set the foundation for the goals of the Asthma Coalition. The current strategic plan (under review, 2013-2017) outlines the Coalition's goals to advocate for policy and systems changes in order to accomplish the following:

1. Increase access to and improve quality of health care;
2. Improve indoor air quality in homes;
3. Improve asthma management in schools;
4. Improve outdoor air quality.

In addition, through each of the above goals, the Coalition strives to address racial/ethnic and socioeconomic disparities and promote research related to asthma.

Guiding Beliefs and Principles for Working Together:

We, the members of the Asthma Coalition of Los Angeles County, affirm we have a common purpose. Therefore we commit ourselves to act in synergy, to pursue our shared vision by setting aside competitiveness, to pool our resources to achieve our mission, and to share responsibility for the Coalition's successes and challenges.

We believe that consistency of individual participation over time is important and necessary for successful collaboration. Therefore, Coalition members are encouraged to attend all Coalition meetings and events and to take

- * New Members
- * Renewing Members
- * Returning Members who have not filled one out previously

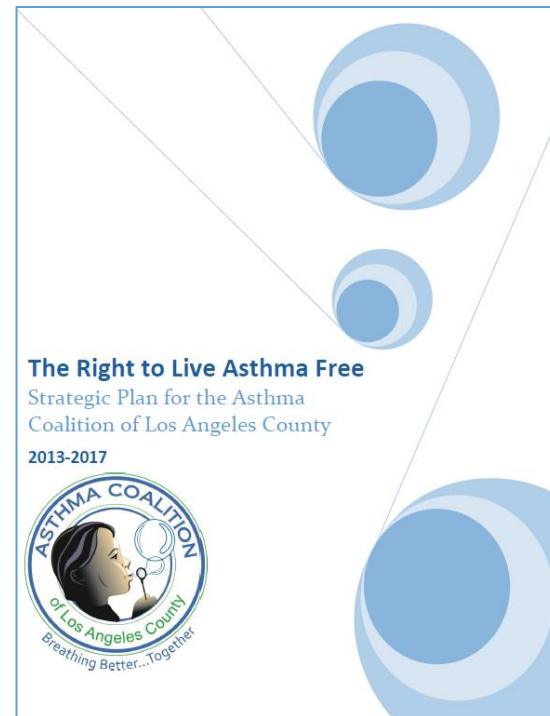


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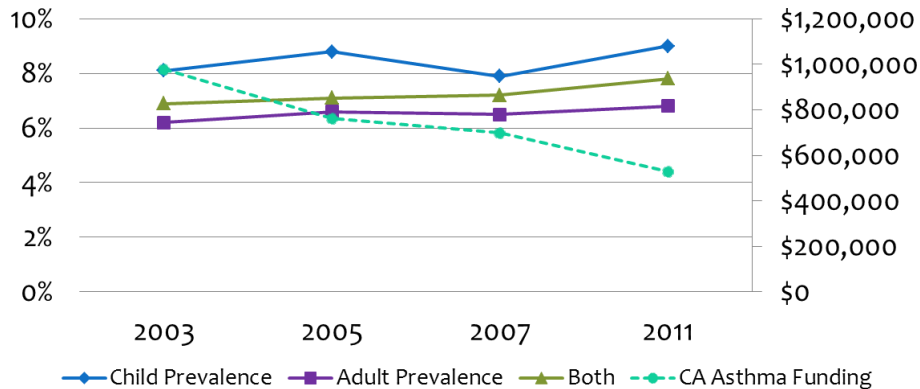
5-Year Strategic Plan

- * Collaborative effort among all four ACLAC Workgroups
- * Includes goals, objectives, and strategies for each area
- * Features new evaluation components
- * Used as a guide for all ACLAC projects for the next 5 years



ACLAC Annual Highlights

Asthma Prevalence in LA County & Asthma Funding



Productivity Investment Fund (PIF) Grant

- * Clinical Workgroup success
- * Partnership between DPH/ACLAC and DHS & ALA
- * Received \$150,000 to pilot a two-year clinical asthma management training program
- * Finalized MOA with DHS & completed SOW with ALA
- * Clinical Workgroup to continue advisory role for the project

ACLAC Annual Highlights

Asthma Brief

- * ACLAC instrumental in the development of an Asthma Brief featuring data from the 2011 LA County Health Survey
- * Highlights connection between asthma & physical activity
- * Unveiled during Asthma Awareness Month in May
- * Available at: www.AsthmaCoalitionLA.org

BREATHING EASY? CHILD ASTHMA IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Introduction

Asthma is one of the most prevalent chronic diseases of childhood. It is a common inflammatory disease of the small airways in the lungs that makes it difficult to breathe. Symptoms include wheezing, coughing, chest tightness, and shortness of breath.¹ Asthma attacks range in severity from mild to life-threatening. Various environmental exposures such as mold, pests, tobacco smoke, and outdoor air pollution may cause or exacerbate asthma. There is no known cure for asthma, but it can be effectively managed with proper medical and self care, and reduced exposure to environmental triggers.²

We measure the burden of asthma by the number of asthma-related hospitalizations, emergency room (ER) visits, deaths, days of school or daycare missed, and other factors such as activity limitations. In Los Angeles County, the rate of children hospitalized due to asthma was 13.6 per 10,000 children in 2012. That same year, the rate of ER visits for children was 88.5 per 10,000 children in LA County (equating to 20,737 visits).³

Asthma is associated with tremendous health care expenditures that include both direct and indirect costs. Direct costs include ER visits, hospitalizations and medications, while indirect costs take the form of lost days of work and school, and loss of future potential earnings associated with premature morbidity and mortality.⁴

Data from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) indicate that total annual costs are approximately \$450 for patients whose asthma is well controlled, compared to \$5,000 annually for patients with more than one hospital admission. For

TABLE 1 Percent of Children (0-17 years) Who Currently Have Asthma¹, LACS 2011

	Percent (%)	95% CI	Est #
Los Angeles County	9.0	7.6-10.3	214,000
Gender			
Male	10.6	8.5-12.6	129,000
Female	7.3	5.5-9.0	85,000
Age Group			
0-5	6.1	3.9-8.2	47,000
6-11	9.4	7.3-11.5	72,000
12-17	11.1	8.5-13.7	94,000
Race/Ethnicity			
Latino	8.0	6.3-9.7	119,000
White	7.2	4.7-9.7	32,000
African American	24.9	17.7-32.1	49,000
Asian/Pacific Islander	4.1	2.2-5.9	10,000
Parent/Primary Caregiver's Education			
Less than high school	6.4	3.9-8.8	40,000
High school	9.0	5.7-12.4	41,000
Some college or trade school	12.3	9.0-15.6	62,000
College or post graduate degree	8.4	6.3-10.5	62,000
Federal Poverty Level²			
0-99% FPL	10.3	7.4-13.3	82,000
100-199% FPL	8.5	6.0-11.0	51,000
200-299% FPL	9.5	5.5-13.4	24,000
300% or above FPL	7.6	5.8-9.4	56,000
Service Planning Area			
Antelope Valley	12.2*	6.1-18.2	14,000
San Fernando	9.1	5.8-12.4	45,000
San Gabriel	7.8	4.5-11.2	32,000
Metro	4.3*	2.1-6.4	9,000
West	4.8	2.7-6.9	5,000
South	9.4	5.2-13.6	29,000
East	9.9	6.3-13.6	36,000
South Bay	11.5	8.2-14.9	43,000

*The estimate is statistically unstable because standard error >20%.

¹ National Institute of Health. Asthma. Retrieved April 7, 2011 from <http://health.nih.gov/asthma/>

² Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2010). Asthma Facts—CDC's National Asthma Control Program. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

³ California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

⁴ Robinson C. Cost of Illness (CI). In: Smith C, Smith G, Smith J, and Fitzgerald M. Economic Burden of Asthma. A Systematic Review. BMC Pulmonary Medicine 2002; 2:26.

⁵ Based on U.S. Census Bureau, Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, 2000 Federal Poverty level (FPL) thresholds which for a family of four (2 adults, 2 dependent) correspond to annual incomes of \$16,460 (100% FPL), \$20,880 (200% FPL), and \$31,320 (300% FPL).

⁶ Asthma prevalence consists of those ever diagnosed with asthma by a health care provider and reported as having asthma within a household in within asthma in the past 12 months.



ACLAC Annual Highlights

Schools Workgroup

- * Successfully developed a relationship with LACOE to work on developing a singular Asthma Action Plan for all Los Angeles County public schools

Indoor Air Quality Workgroup

- * Successfully organized a press event and health fair
- * Is hosting a in-depth CHW training on healthy housing issues in September

Events

Asthma Awareness Month

Press Event



Health Resources Fair



Proclamation from L.A. Board of Education



Events

Long Beach Asthma Resources Fair



General Updates

ACLAC Actions & Legislative Support



Action/Accomplishment	Date	Description
<p>Sent a letter of support to Senator Hueso for SB 1167 and signed on to ALA's group letter .</p> <p>The Governor signed SB 1167 on July 7!</p> <p>This is a great win for healthy housing and clean indoor air advocates!</p>	07/07/14	By aligning existing state codes, SB 1167 requires owners cited for a pest infestation to eliminate the pest and remediate any structural deficiencies related to the infestation.

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Action/Accomplishment	Date	Description
Sent a letter of support to Senator Hueso for SB 488 that amends state law to give local code enforcement officers the legal authority to identify and abate pests and vermin	4/24/14	<p>The California Health and Safety Code currently deems infestations of pests and vermin substandard housing. However, state law limits the authority to cite for infestations to the County Health Officer.</p> <p>SB 488 amends state law to give local code enforcement officers the legal authority to identify and abate pests and vermin when a health officer is not available. This will allow all tenants in California to have state law enforced in their community and help resolve unhealthy housing for families in communities across the state.</p>

ACLAC Actions & Legislative Support

Update	Date	Description
Signed on to ALA's group letter to CARB Chair Mary Nichols re: Health recommendations for AB 32 Scoping Plan Update	5/21/14	The CA Air Resources Board adopted a strong first update to the AB 32 Scoping Plan this year, laying out the benefits of California's successful climate programs and the need to act now to put CA on a solid path to meet 2050 greenhouse gas reduction targets.

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Action/Accomplishment	Date	Description
Sent letter of support to Assemblymembers Skinner and Senator Leno , requesting Department of Public Health (4265) adoption of the Assembly's Public Health Reinvestment proposal	06/03/14	ACLAC urges Assms to requests the Budget Conference Committee's adoption of the Assembly's Public Health Reinvestment proposal to fund the Asthma Public Health Initiative and school-based health centers (SBHCs) at the level of \$1 million and \$3 million per year, respectively

ACLAC Actions & Legislative Support

Update	Date	Description
Sent a letter of support to Mike Gatto, Chair, Assembly Appropriations Committee re: SB 1204 (Lara and Pavley) Clean Truck, Bus, and Off Road Vehicles and Equipment Technology	6/13/14	SB 1204 would focus investment on the rapid development and deployment of zero and near-zero emission technologies for heavy duty trucks and buses to reduce diesel exhaust that threatens the health of our most disadvantaged communities and our climate. This is expected to be approved by the Governor this fall.

ACLAC Actions & Legislative Support

Update	Date	Description
Sent a letter of opposition to Assm Henry Prea and 15 legislators re: Letter to CARB opposing fuels under CAP (AB 69)	6/17/14	<p>Assm Prea's bill AB 69 would exempt transportation fuels from AB 32 compliance regulations under the state's Cap and Trade program for an additional 3 years.</p> <p>ALA is organizing health groups to join this letter opposing this harmful bill because transportation fuels are the major source of climate and criteria air pollution in our state, and all sectors of the economy must contribute to the cleaning up of our air and protecting our people from the worst impacts of climate change.</p>

ACLAC Actions & Legislative Support

Update	Date	Description
Signed on to ALA's group letter of support for SB 1275 (de León), Charge Ahead California Initiative	6/18/14	<p>SB 1275 aims to bring one million electric cars, trucks & buses to CA over next decade and ensure low-income Californians benefit from the transition to a clean transportation sector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• First, direct the ARB to develop a funding plan to meet the goal of putting 1mill electric vehicles on CA's streets and ensure low-income communities benefit transition.• Second, modifying the existing rebate program and create program for low-SES drivers who wish to purchase or lease an electric car. Also supports new charging infrastructure and electric car sharing.• SB 1275 will next be heard by the Appropriations Committee when it returns from simmer recess in mid-August

Kick Start Your Health:

Pediatric Asthma Intervention Program

Launch - 8/16/14

Launch Event

- * Asthma Irritants & Triggers
- * Medication Compliance & Safety Education
- * Asthma Management Tools & Resources
- * Health fair, biometric screenings, and clinical intervention workshops

Telephonic and In-Person Follow-up

- * Home Assessment
- * Case Management & Program Management Support
- * Child Wellness Visit
- * Establish Asthma Action Plan with medical provider

Partnership w Anthem BCBS

- * In East Los Angeles – Esteban Torres High School – August 16
- * For Anthem BCBS members AND surrounding community members
- * Need volunteers and asthma-related exhibitors

Community Action to Fight Asthma: Regional Summit Meeting

August 5, 2014 – CA Endowment

COMMUNITY ACTION
TO FIGHT ASTHMA



Register Now!

2014 Southern California CAFA Regional Meeting

Date: Tuesday, August 5th
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Lunch Provided
Location: The California Endowment
1000 N. Alameda St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Cost: No charge

Featuring Presentation and Discussion on:
Asthma Research on the Latest Clinical Treatments
Asthma Management and Indoor Trigger Reduction
Policy Update – Medi-Cal Reimbursement Rule
Regional Collaboration on Asthma Priorities

◆ **Travel Stipends Available** ◆

To register, visit:

<http://www.rampasthma.org/2014/06/southern-california-asthma-meeting/>

- * Southern CA asthma coalitions
- * Asthma Research and Clinical Tx
- * Asthma Management and Indoor Trigger Reduction
- * Policy Update – Medi-Cal Reimbursement Rule
- * Regional Collaboration on Asthma Priorities



Asthma & Healthy Homes: Making the Connection

CHW training – Sept. 22-23 @ Esperanza

- * ACLAC's Indoor Air Quality Workgroup
- * Provided in Spanish and English
- * Conducted by CA Breathing

Topics:

- * Healthy housing
- * Mold and moisture
- * Pests and integrated pest management
- * Conducting an environmental assessment
- * Motivational interviewing



Presentation by Patricia Ochoa,
Coalition for Clean Air

710 Freeway Expansion Project: Alternative CA 7

Pass the Hat!



Presentation by Denny Shaw, SCAQMD

Connect to Clean Air: Smart phone apps for on the go info



Get Connected to Clean Air

South Coast Air Quality Management District
 South Coast AQMD
 Download our Free Apps

Android iPhone iPad

Facebook YouTube Google play App Store

Get connected for the ones you love!

SCAQMD's free App for smart phones is now available to help you plan activities for yourself and the ones you love. It offers real-time and forecasted conditions that let you know whether the air quality in your area is healthy or unhealthy. With this valuable information you can determine if you, your family or friends should enjoy your favorite outdoor activities or opt for some indoor fun.

After reading the release below to learn more about the easy-to-use SCAQMD App, take a few minutes to download it onto your smart phone. Do it today for the ones you love!

EXTRA! EXTRA!

SCAQMD RELEASES APP FOR SMARTPHONE MOBILE PHONE USERS

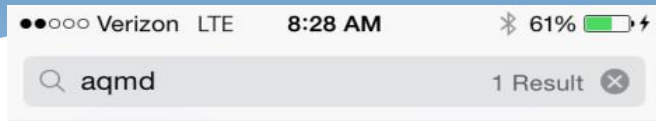
Android and iPhone users can now "Connect to Clean Air" with the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) launching of a new full-featured application offering a wide range of useful air quality information.

The free application is based on SCAQMD's original updated and streamlined iPhone app. It features real-time and forecasted air quality levels searchable by city, ZIP code or the user's location within the South Coast Air Basin; a carbon-footprint calculator to help individuals calculate their carbon emissions; a map of alternative fueling stations; air quality news and other features that can be used daily to help promote healthy living.

The app is part of the SCAQMD's "Connect to Clean Air" campaign, which strives to make it easier for as many users as possible to connect to the agency and get clean air information.

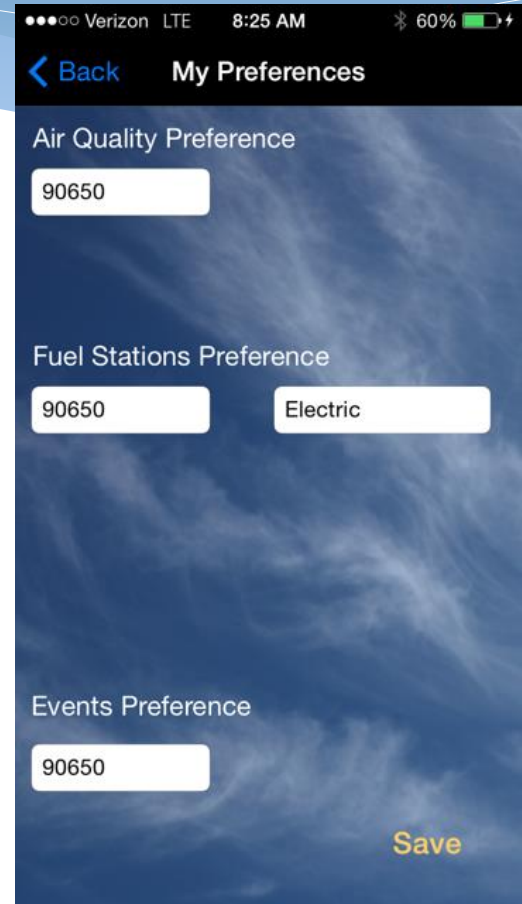
Earlier this year, SCAQMD also launched its free iPad app, which allows users to view its bimonthly news publication the SCAQMD Advisor and to take a virtual tour of the SCAQMD facility.

AQMD Smart Phone App

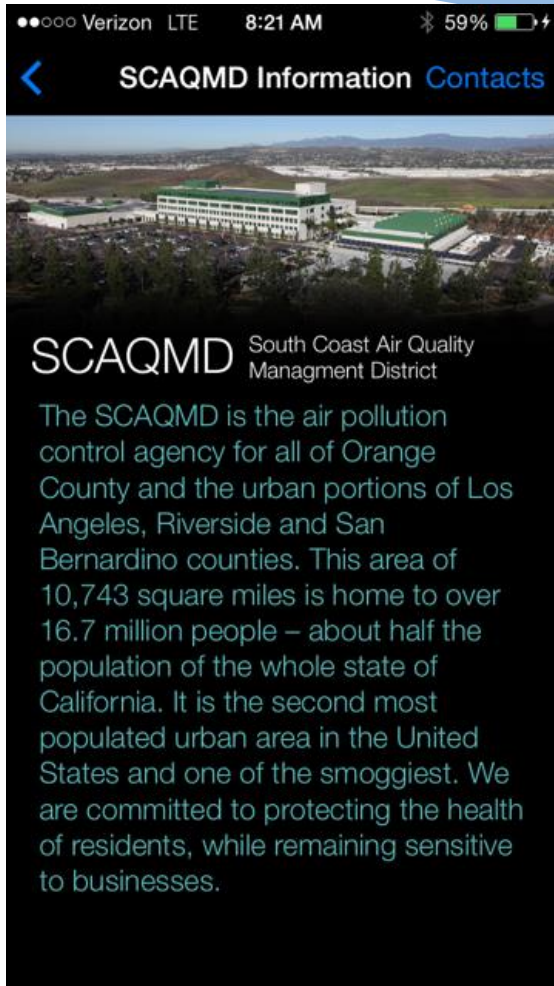


AQMD
South Coast Ai...
No Ratings

OPEN



AQMD Smart Phone App



AQMD Smart Phone App

Verizon LTE 8:22 AM 59%

Air Quality Index Basin Air Quality

Change Location 90650 Today Tomorrow

Moderate

The air is okay, but not the best for everyone. If you need to, just play easy.

Good Moderate Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups Unhealthy Very Unhealthy

The Air Quality Index (AQI) is an index for reporting daily air quality. It tells you how clean or polluted your air is, and what associated health effects might be a concern for you.

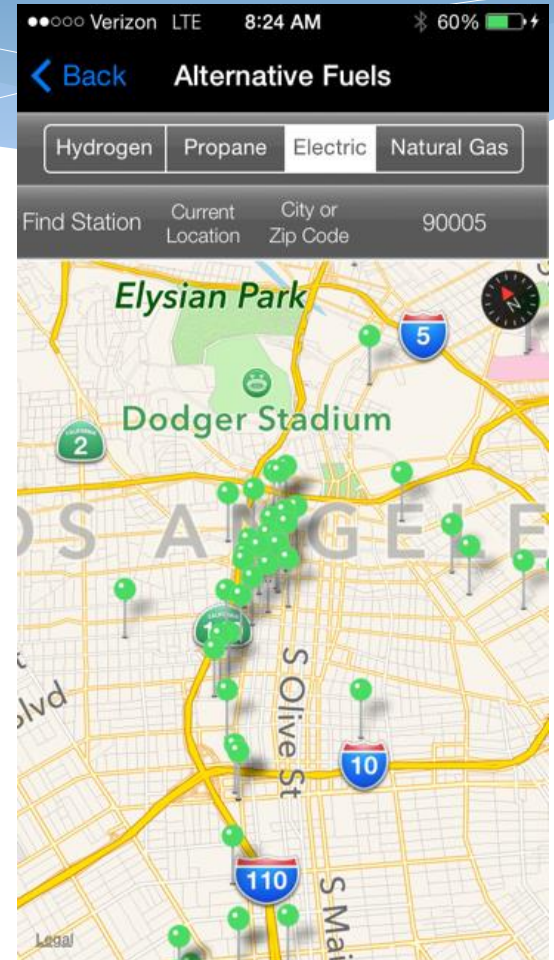
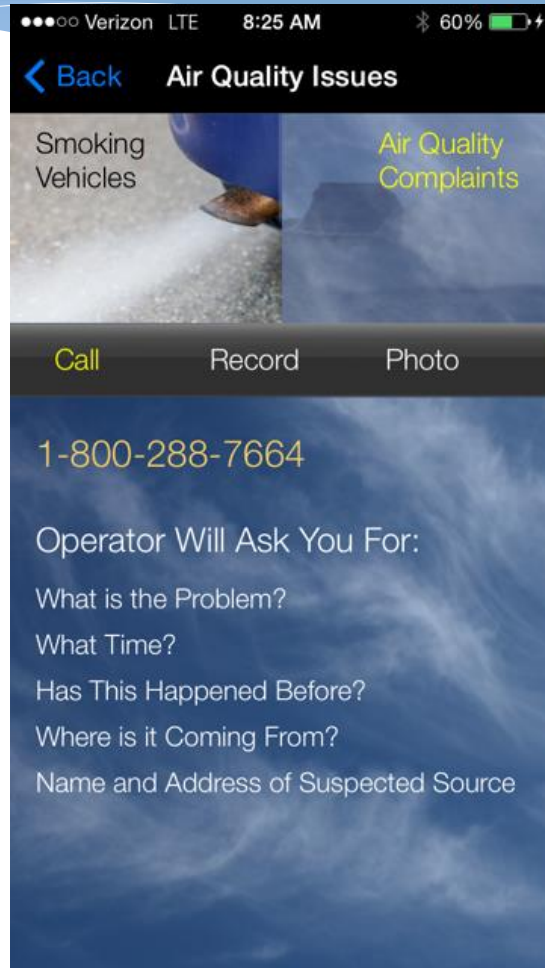
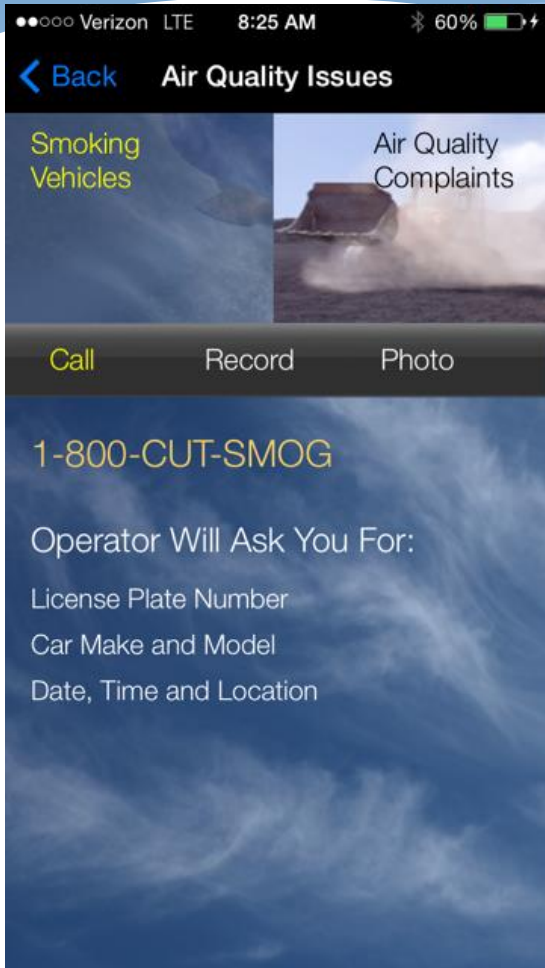
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Basin Air Quality

Air Quality Index

- Good
- Moderate
- Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups
- Unhealthy
- Very Unhealthy
- Hazardous
- No Data Available

AQMD Smart Phone App



Workgroup Break Out Sessions

Please choose one...

Clinical,
Healthcare

Asthma
Friendly
Schools

Indoor Air

Outdoor Air

Promotores/
CHWs

Workgroup Break Out Sessions

Work groups:

- * Clinical/Healthcare
- * Asthma Friendly Schools
- * Indoor Air Quality
- * Outdoor Air Quality
- * Community Health Workers (New!)

Work group agendas:

- * Updates
- * Work plan revisions
- * Next Steps
- * Meeting dates

Announcements

Meeting Evaluations

- * Please finish filling out the evaluation form
- * Write your **comments** in the boxes!
- * Return them to Loretta in the manila folder

Thanks for your participation!

Next Meeting:
Monday,
October 27, 2014

