TOP 10 THINGS I CAN DO TO REDUCE AIR POLLUTION FROM CARS

1. DON’T IDLE MORE THAN 10 SECONDS
Idling for more than 10 seconds uses more fuel than turning the car off and back on (and idling past 3 minutes is against the law).

2. OBEY THE SPEED LIMIT
Don’t ride in the car with a speeder—not only is it safer for you, staying within the posted speed limits increases your car’s fuel efficiency.

3. WALK TO DESTINATIONS CLOSE BY
Not only will you get more exercise, you will eliminate a lot of pollution from the air.

4. CARPOOL
Riding with your friends is more fun, and helps the environment, too!

5. RIDE YOUR BIKE TO SCHOOL (WITH YOUR PARENTS’ PERMISSION)
It’s good for you, and you won’t have to wait in those long drop-off lines.

6. DON’T WAIT IN LINE AT THE DRIVE-THRU
Park your car and walk inside. You will help clean up the air, and won’t have to breathe the exhaust of the car in front of you.

7. TAKE THE BUS WHEN YOU GO ON LONGER TRIPS
Public transit is a great option for longer trips, and with the price of fuel today, a very cost-effective alternative.

8. MAKE SURE YOUR CAR’S TIRES ARE PROPERLY INFLATED
Under-inflated tires mean your car has to work harder to move, using up extra fuel and emitting a lot of extra pollution.

9. TRY NOT TO USE YOUR CAR’S AIR CONDITIONER
Roll the window down for a breeze on short trips, or open the car’s vents when you’re on the highway.

10. CLEAN OUT YOUR TRUNK
Extra weight costs you more fuel!

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1-877-WARN DEP (1-877-927-6337)