

Colorado's Clear the Air Foundation Receives More than 1,000 Aging Vehicles to be Recycled to Reduce Pollution

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DENVER – Colorado's Clear the Air Foundation has passed an important milestone – receiving more than 1,000 old high-polluting vehicles to be crushed, recycled and removed from the roads for good.

The Clear the Air Foundation is a nonprofit organization created by the Colorado Automobile Dealers Association to recycle old or poorly maintained cars and trucks, which disproportionately contribute to the region's air quality problems.

The vast majority of the 1,022 donated vehicles came from Colorado's new car dealers who received them as trade-ins.

“Because an old, high emitting car may pollute a hundred times or more than a new car, the impact for Colorado of removing 1,000 of these old cars from the road is huge,” said Lee Payne, chair of the Clear the Air Foundation.

The Regional Air Quality Council partnered with the Colorado Automobile Dealers Association in 2012 to support the Clear the Air Foundation.

Through an agreement with the Colorado Auto Recyclers, the foundation crushes and shreds the donated vehicles. The proceeds from selling the cars to local auto recyclers help underwrite scholarships for aspiring auto technicians.

Members of the public can help take these cars off the road by donating their aging vehicles. They can learn more by visiting ClearTheAirFoundation.org or calling 303.775.8896.

The Colorado Broadcasters Association and its member stations have supported the Clear the Air Foundation by airing radio and TV ads promoting the public donation option.

Taxpayers who donate vehicles to the Clear the Air Foundation may qualify the same tax benefits they would receive from any other car donation program.

The following list notes specific dealerships around Colorado and the number of their vehicles donated in descending order.

Planet Honda – Golden, CO – 62
Planet Hyundai – Golden, CO – 57

Larry H. Miller Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram – Thornton, CO – 57
Shortline Automotive – Aurora, CO – 40
Christopher's Dodge World – Golden, CO – 27
The Faricy Boys Chrysler Jeep – Colorado Springs, CO – 27
Suss Buick GMC – Aurora, CO – 26
AutoNation Chevrolet – Denver, CO – 24
Longmont Ford – Longmont, CO – 23
Courtesy Acura – Littleton, CO – 22
Dellenbach Motors – Fort Collins, CO – 22
AutoNation Ford – Littleton, CO – 22
John Elway Chevrolet Broadway – Englewood, CO – 22
Medved Chevrolet – Wheat Ridge, CO – 19
AutoNation Honda – Westminster, CO – 17
Ralph Schomp Honda – Littleton, CO – 17
Emich Volkswagen – Denver, CO – 16
Kuni Honda – Centennial, CO – 15
Glenwood Springs Ford – Glenwood Springs, CO – 14
Berthod Motors – Glenwood Springs, CO – 13
AutoNation Toyota Arapahoe – Centennial, CO – 13
Johnson Auto Plaza – Brighton, CO – 13
Peak Kia – Littleton, CO – 13
Bighorn Toyota – Glenwood Springs, CO – 12
Phil Long Ford Denver – Denver, CO – 12
Pueblo Toyota – Pueblo, CO – 11
Ed Carroll Motors – Fort Collins, CO – 10
Emich Chevrolet – Lakewood, CO – 10
Markley Motors – Fort Collins, CO – 10
Spradley Barr Ford – Fort Collins, CO – 10
Davidson-Gebhardt Chevrolet – Loveland, CO – 9
Sill TerHar Motors – Broomfield, CO – 9
Spradley Chevrolet Hyundai – Pueblo, CO – 9
Turner Automotive – Montrose, CO – 9
Freeway Ford – Denver, CO – 8
Greeley Volkswagen – Greeley, CO – 8
AutoNation Nissan Littleton – Littleton – 8
Hellman Motor Co – Delta, CO – 8
Mountain State Toyota – Denver, CO – 8
Dale Spradley Motors – Pueblo, CO – 7
AutoNation Nissan 104th – Federal Heights, CO – 7
Lakewood Fordland – Lakewood, CO – 7
Tynan's Fort Collins Nissan – Fort Collins, CO – 7
Tynan's Volkswagen – Aurora, CO – 7
Tynan's Kia – Fort Collins, CO – 7
Fuoco Motors – Grand Junction, CO – 6

AutoNation Chrysler Jeep Broadway – Littleton, CO – 6
AutoNation Chrysler Jeep Dodge Southwest – Littleton, CO – 6
AutoNation Chrysler Jeep West – Golden, CO – 6
AutoNation Mazda Hyundai 104th – Northglenn, CO – 6
John Elway Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram – Greeley, CO – 6
Len Lyall Chevrolet – Aurora, CO – 6
McCaddon Cadillac Buick GMC – Boulder, CO – 6
Summit Ford – Silverthorne, CO – 6
Weld County Garage – Greeley, CO – 6

The following list notes dealerships that donated one to five vehicles:

Arapahoe Hyundai – Centennial, CO
Boulder Toyota – Boulder, CO
Brandon Dodge – Littleton, CO
Burlington Ford and Lincoln – Burlington, CO
Dave Solon Nissan – Pueblo, CO
Ehrlich Motors – Greeley, CO
Ehrlich Toyota East – Fort Morgan, CO
Fisher Auto – Boulder, CO
Flatirons Subaru – Boulder, CO
Frontier Honda – Longmont, CO
Ghent Motor Co. – Greeley, CO
Glenwood Springs Subaru – Glenwood Springs, CO
AutoNation Buick GMC Park Meadows – Lone Tree, CO
AutoNation Buick GMC West – Golden, CO
AutoNation Dodge on Arapahoe – Centennial, CO
AutoNation Fiat – Northglenn, CO
AutoNation Nissan Arapahoe – Centennial, CO
AutoNation Subaru Arapahoe – Englewood, CO
AutoNation Subaru West – Golden, CO
Groove Ford – Centennial, CO
Groove Mazda – Centennial, CO
Groove Subaru – Englewood, CO
Groove Toyota – Englewood, CO
King Chevrolet Buick GMC – Longmont, CO
Honda of Greeley – Greeley, CO
Hudson Auto Source – Silverthorne, CO
Interstate Ford – Dacono, CO
John Elway Chevrolet Colorado Blvd. – Denver, CO
John Roberts Motor Works – Gunnison, CO
Kuni Lexus of Greenwood Village – Greenwood Village, CO
Land Rover Flatirons – Louisville, CO
Larry H. Miller Toyota of Colorado Springs – Colorado Springs, CO
Limon Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram – Limon, CO

Mazda of Lakewood – Lakewood, CO
McDonald Automotive – Littleton, CO
Medved Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram – Castle Rock, CO
Mike Shaw Buick GMC – Colorado Springs, CO
Mike Shaw Subaru – Thornton, CO
Montrose Ford – Montrose, CO
Morehart Murphy Regional Auto Center – Durango, CO
Mountain Chevrolet – Glenwood Springs, CO
Murray Motorworks – Englewood, CO
O'Meara Ford – Northglenn, CO
Perkins Motors – Colorado Springs, CO
Phil Long Ford Chapel Hills – Colorado Springs, CO
Phil Long Ford Motor City – Colorado Springs, CO
Phil Long Hyundai Chapel Hills – Colorado Springs, CO
Phil Long Hyundai Motor City – Colorado Springs, CO
Purifoy Chevrolet – Fort Lupton, CO
Quality Mitsubishi – Littleton, CO
Ralph Schomp BMW – Highlands Ranch, CO
Red Noland Used Car – Colorado Springs, CO
Rickenbaugh Cadillac Volvo – Denver, CO
Signature Kia of Colorado Springs – Colorado Springs, CO
South Colorado Springs Nissan – Colorado Springs, CO
Spradley Ford – Pueblo, CO
Stevinson Chevrolet West – Lakewood, CO
Stevinson Imports – Littleton, CO
Stevinson Toyota East – Aurora, CO
Stevinson Toyota West – Lakewood, CO
Subaru of Pueblo – Pueblo, CO
Suss Superstore – Colorado Springs, CO
Valley Chrysler Jeep Ram – Longmont, CO
Victory Motors of Craig – Craig, CO
Vidmar Motors – Pueblo, CO
Western Slope Auto – Grand Junction, CO
Wilcoxson Buick GMC Cadillac – Pueblo, CO