



VEHICLE REPAIR, RETIREMENT, AND REPLACEMENT FOR MOTORISTS (VRRRM)



The Foundation for California Community Colleges' Vehicle Repair, Retirement, and Replacement for Motorists (VRRRM) program is a vehicle emissions reduction program designed to repair, retire, and/or replace high-emitting vehicles to improve air quality and provide a fuel efficiency benefit for California motorists. As the official foundation for the California Community Colleges, the Foundation manages clean air programs that support and enhance Community College programs related to automotive smog check technologies and associated technical training.

The VRRRM program is made possible by a grant from the Reformulated Gasoline Settlement Fund (RFG Settlement Fund). Created as a result of an antitrust class action, the purpose of the fund is to achieve a clean air or fuel efficiency benefit for California consumers. These funds provide a unique opportunity to fill voids in existing repair, retirement, and replacement programs, opening up vehicle emission reduction benefits to all motorists, especially those who are disqualified from existing programs.

Clearing the Air

Depending on various factors, including consumer demand, the VRRRM program is expected to extend until February 28, 2013, and aims to repair, retire, or replace thousands of polluting vehicles and remove hundreds of tons of pollutants from the air in California over the next two years. The program will be implemented as offered statewide, with emphasis in areas where the greatest impact to air quality can be achieved, such as the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley air basins.

Program Components

The VRRRM program takes a multi-pronged approach to maximize both the benefits available to California consumers and vehicle emissions reductions.

- VRRRM for CAP: A statewide assistance program that supplements the Bureau of Automotive Repair's Consumer Assistance Program for vehicle repair.
- VRRRM for PASS: An initiative to add a vehicle repair component to the Polluting Automobile Scrap and Salvage program in the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District.
- VRRRM for HEROS: A component that complements the South Coast Air Quality Management District's HEROS II program by offering Southern California consumers cash incentives to retire or replace their qualified high-emitting vehicle.

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Highlights

- VRRRM aims to repair, retire, or replace thousands of polluting vehicles.
- The program is expected to remove hundreds of tons of pollutants from the air over the next two years.

Partner Organizations

- California Bureau of Automotive Repair
- California Air Resources Board
- San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District
- South Coast Air Quality Management District

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