

# INVEST IN CLEAN AIR



**2024/25 BUDGET PRIORITIES**

*Our equitable, clean transportation programs  
are California's clean air safety net.*

- People of color are **60% more likely** to live with unhealthy air making it the **clearest example of environmental racism in California**.
- Transportation pollution is the state's **largest driver of climate change, which harms our most vulnerable first**.
- **Fossil fuel** subsidies continue to fund an industry **profiting off people's pain at the pump**. These programs alleviate that pain.

**980%**

**OF CALIFORNIANS LIVE IN A REGION  
EARNING AN “F” GRADE FOR AIR QUALITY.**

**7,500**

**THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DEATHS  
CAUSED BY AIR POLLUTION IN  
CALIFORNIA EACH YEAR.**

**\$1,600**

**THE AMOUNT PER PERSON THAT AIR  
POLLUTION COSTS THE STATE EACH YEAR.**



# *Everyone, everywhere should have the choice of clean transportation.*

**Californians who care about reducing pollution deserve the choice to charge.**

- **Clean:** EVs cut toxic fumes that are polluting our communities and overheating our planet.
- **Affordable:** EVs should not just be for the elites: they need to be available for anyone who wants one.
- **Practical:** EVs are here now and make sense for families and businesses.

# ***Are you ready to gut our clean air safety net?***

- **\$600 million** in cuts to clean transportation and equity programs in the form of a “delay.”
- **\$200 million** cut from the Active Transportation Program, the only major transportation infrastructure program in California with a floor for investment (25%) in disadvantaged communities.
- **\$45 million** cut from Clean Cars for All in funding for 2024-2025 (currently funded at just \$28 million for 2023-2024)
- **\$100 million** in cuts to drayage truck funding that cuts air pollution in port communities and near warehouses.
- 'Extended the timeline' for **\$10 billion for ZEV to 7 years instead of 5 years** and promising to make up less money this year in later years, however, there is nothing to tie either the Governor or his successor to that promise.
- **'Shifting' nearly \$1 billion** in general fund obligations for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) into Cap and Trade (GGRF) funds, reducing funding available to other climate investments by nearly \$1 billion.

**To give people the choice of  
clean transportation and  
save lives, we believe the  
budget should...**





# Avoid further delays and cuts to clean transportation.

Proposals will put the state even further off course of fulfilling the \$10 billion ZEV package, as well as delaying the emission reductions needed to meet our climate and air quality commitments.



# Cut fossil fuel subsidies, freeway expansions and other projects that pollute.

Build on the Governor's budget proposal that cuts fossil fuel subsidies. **Stop saddling consumers with bad investments** that work against our climate and clean air goals.



# Focus clean air investments on equity-centered programs.

Proposed cuts will hurt our most vulnerable Californians. We should invest *at least* **80% of clean air investments in low-income and disadvantaged communities.**



# Pay more attention to low-income and disadvantaged rural communities.

Invest more in rural communities, like the Coachella and Imperial Valleys and Central Coast. Local efforts to create their own innovative clean transportation and charging programs should be supported with state funding.



# Create stable, dedicated funding sources for clean transportation programs.

We ask the Administration and legislative leaders to prioritize the creation of a dedicated funding stream and aggressively pursue federal funding to supplement state investments in clean transportation.



Health, labor, business, community, environmental justice and climate action groups from across the state have historically called on Governor Newsom and legislators to **fund clean transportation programs and mitigate the worst impacts of the deficit on the communities that suffer most from the impacts of tailpipe pollution and the climate crisis.**



Give people choices that  
clean our air and save lives.

**Please save our  
clean air safety net!**

**Thank you for protecting  
clean air and clean car  
investments.**

**Questions?**

