

# TURN THE KEY, BE IDLE FREE!

*Improve public health, protect the environment & enhance the quality of life.*



**10 SECONDS** of idling wastes more fuel than restarting the engine.



DRIVING warms up your car

**2X FASTER**

than IDLING on a cold day.

## 5 MINUTES

is the legal limit on idling before violating Massachusetts state law. (MGL, Chapter 90, 16A)



## PENALTIES

are \$100 for the first offence and \$500 for the second and subsequent offences!

Outdoor air pollution is one of the 8 leading triggers of **asthma attacks** according to the CDC.



**3 pounds of pollution** per month are generated by **every vehicle** dropping off and picking up kids at **one school**.



**40+** hazardous air pollutants are emitted from engine exhaust.

**2 minutes** of idling uses as much fuel as travelling **1 mile**.



## CHILDREN...

- have still developing respiratory systems



- breathe **50% more air** per pound of body weight than adults
- are closer to exhaust tailpipes

**1 GALLON** of gas produces **17 LBS OF CO<sub>2</sub>** —a contributor to greenhouse gasses.



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