

Celebrate 25 Years on World Environment Day with Georgia's Clean Air Force



On **June 5**, recognized globally as **World Environment Day**, Georgia's Clean Air Force (GCAF), in partnership with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, celebrates its **25th anniversary**.

GCAF identifies and repairs vehicles that pollute the air, while helping metro Atlanta work toward attaining federal clean air standards.

In honor of these two monumental occasions, let's look at the impact the Vehicle Emission Inspection and Maintenance Program has had since 1996:



Removed nearly 2.0 million tons of harmful pollutants.

This includes 1.8 million tons of carbon monoxide, 160,000 tons of nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide (NO_x) and 101,800 tons of volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

This is the equivalent of planting more than 522.7 million trees!



Saved Georgia's residents \$400 million in utility bills.



Identified and repaired more than four million heavy-polluting vehicles.

According to the United Health Foundation, **Georgians were exposed less** than the average American to particulate matter of 2.5 microns or less. This accomplishment is due in part to Georgia's Clean Air Force's commitment to helping metro Atlanta work toward better air quality.

While these are great successes, there is still much to be done.

For more information, please visit www.cleanairforce.com.

