



Ohio's Clean Diesel School Bus Fund Grant Awarded, October, 2013



From the Fall 2013 grant cycle, Ohio EPA is awarding a \$62,298 grant to Zanesville City Schools to install pollution control equipment and install idle reduction technology onto 21 buses. This project will achieve an estimated annual emission reduction of 46.2 pounds of particulates, 326.1 pounds of carbon monoxide, 979.8 pounds of nitrogen oxides, and 73.8 pounds of hydrocarbons. These benefits will compound every year that these buses remain in service.

School bus retrofit grants are designed to protect schoolchildren and school bus drivers from the harmful pollutants in diesel exhaust. Projects are supported with a combination of funds from civil penalties collected by Ohio EPA for violations of Ohio's environmental protection laws. Since this grant program began in 2006, Ohio EPA has awarded more than \$7.7 million dollars to install pollution control equipment on 2,521 school buses statewide, install idle reduction equipment onto 866 buses, and remove more than 100 tons of pollutants from the air. The next grant application deadline will be March 1, 2014.

The new project funded this cycle:

Zanesville City School District, Muskingum County, \$62,298 to install emission reduction equipment onto 10 buses and anti-idling equipment onto 21 buses. #B2014F-001. Contact: Bryan Karling, bkarling@zanesville.k12.oh.us or (740) 588-552.

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