

JOIN NEW HAVEN IN GOING IDLE-FREE

3.8 MILLION GALLONS OF FUEL
IS WASTED BY UNNECESSARY IDLING
IN THE U.S. EVERY DAY



10 SECONDS OF
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4 REASONS TO STOP IDLING

IT SAVES FUEL

Due to advances in technology, letting a vehicle idle burns more fuel than restarting it. After just **10 seconds of idling**, your car will have **burned more gas** than it would have if you'd restarted it. Even in cold weather your engine only needs 30 seconds to warm up.

IT MAKES US HEALTHIER

Idling is linked to increases in asthma, allergies, heart and lung diseases and cancer. Kids are especially vulnerable because they inhale more air per pound of body weight. New Haven has one of the highest asthma rates nationally due in large part to the high concentration of vehicle emissions in the city.

IT HELPS OUR COMMUNITY

Idling vehicles emit carbon dioxide (CO₂) and other pollutants that produce smog, soot and acid rain and contribute to climate change. In Connecticut, 2.2 million people live in a county with failing air quality. New Haven County received an "F" for air quality and ozone pollution in 2013 from the American Lung Association.

IT'S PATRIOTIC

Drivers in the U.S. consume almost 19 million barrels of oil per day, and 60% of it is imported from other countries. Turning off our engine is one easy step we can all take to contribute to a more energy-secure future.