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### HOW TO IMPROVE AIR QUALITY

Community Action to Promote Healthy Environments (CAPHE) Public Health Action Plan\* contains 25 recommendations to improve air quality and health in the City of Detroit. Below are several strategies which could improve air quality in District 5.

#### **Vegetative Buffers**

Planting trees along key routes, like I-94, I-75, I-96, and M-10, could lower residents exposure to roadway air pollutants.

#### Filters

Installing filters in childcare centers and in schools would help lower children's exposure to indoor air pollutants.

#### **Renewable Energy**

Encouraging the use of renewable energy, like solar panels and small wind turbines, would reduce reliance on coal-fired power plants and improve air quality.

#### Monitoring

Monitoring air quality around roadways and point sources could help identify "hot spots" that could be targeted to reduce emissions.

#### **Health Impact Assessments**

Requiring Health Impact Assessments for development projects in the City could identify important opportunities to protect residents health.



#### **DISTRICT STATISTICS**

District 5 has 3.6% tree cover, which is lower than American Forests' recommendation of 40% coverage for (eastern) metropolitan areas.





I-94, I-75, I-96, and M-10 are major roadways that all contribute to air pollution in District 5.



Over 40% of households in District 5 have incomes below the poverty line, and over 60% rent thier homes.



District 5

District 5 has a cancer mortality risk that is higher than the average in the City of Detroit at 41.9 per million.

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# **COMMUNITY ACTION TO PROMOTE HEALTHY** ENVIRONMENTS PARTNERS









Community Action Against Asthma













## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

CAPHE is a partnership working to reduce air pollution and improve health in Detroit. CAPHE's Public Health Action Plan leverages over 20 years of communityacademic research and action between academic, community, and governmental organizations to identify and create solutions to Detroit's air quality challenges. This community-based participatory research initiative ensures that Detroit residents have a substantial voice and opportunity to impact the environment and public health.



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