



Community Action to Fight Asthma: 2013 Policy Opportunities

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CAFA Policy Prioritization

- Outdoor Air Quality
- Housing
- Schools
- Clinical

Coalition Capacity

- Letters of Support
- Testimony



Statewide Freight Initiative

- PM and Diesel Emissions
- Impacts felt statewide
 - Equity impacts greater in communities of color
- Existing opportunity
 - CARB examining regulatory options
 - Emerging advocacy network
 - California Cleaner Freight Coalition



Pest Infestations

- Cockroaches, rodents
 - Equity low income communities and substandard housing conditions
- California Healthy Housing Coalition
- Two Bills
 - Expand enforcement authority
 - Increase the use of integrated pest management in rental housing



School Facilities

IAQ in schools

 Schools in low income communities in most need of facilities funds

Existing Opportunity

- Schools Facilities Bond
 - Set priorities for the state's limited investment in school facilities



Single Payer Health Care

- Increase access to care
 - Equity expands coverage to all Californians
- Physicians for a National Health Program
 - SB 810 (Leno)



Local Priorities

- Which opportunities are most reflective of your local priorities?
- How would your rate these as statewide priorities?
- How might your coalition be able to contribute to advocacy efforts?