DID YOU KNOW?
Car exhaust can aggravate asthma and decrease lung function – especially in kids.

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Extended idling produces greenhouse gas emissions that go into the air.

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Idling engines diminish the quality of life in our community by causing air pollution, noise, and odor.

DID YOU KNOW?
Turning off your engine after two minutes of idling actually saves gas and cuts down on emissions.
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