

# Media Advisory

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## Joint program offers cash to change out old stoves, inserts

Representatives of the Valley Air District, Operation Clean Air and the Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association will be on-site at local recyclers Monday and Tuesday in the District's three regions for a stove-crushing demonstration and to provide information about the first-time Burn Cleaner Woodstove and Fireplace Change-out program.

Pollution from residential wood burning is a significant contributor to wintertime air pollution in the Valley. The Burn Cleaner program, which kicks off Feb. 1, will give Valley residents a way to change out their older units for newer units that meet EPA Phase II standards, thereby reducing particulate emissions.

**What:** Burn Cleaner Fireplace and Woodstove Change-out program kick-off

**When and where:**

in Modesto, Monday, Jan. 29, 11 a.m., Modesto Junk Co., 1403-1425 Ninth St.

In Bakersfield, Monday, Jan. 29, 10:30 a.m., Golden State Metals, 2000 Brundage Lane

In Fresno, Tuesday, Jan. 30, 10 a.m., Heppner Iron and Metal, 3489 S. Chestnut

**Who:**

Representatives of the Air District; the Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association; and Operation Clean Air

Events will include a stove-crushing demonstration.

The Valley Air District covers eight counties including San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and the valley portion of Kern. For more information, visit [www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org) or call the nearest District office: Modesto (209) 557-6400, Fresno (559) 230-6000 and Bakersfield (661) 326-6900.