Local Organizations with Air Quality-Related Programs/Events/Info

EPA Region 5 – Justin Coughlin; coughlin.justin@epa.gov

- Calendar of events for public meetings, comment periods, etc. [https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-5](https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-5)
- Air Quality Awareness Week – May 1-5, 2017 [https://www3.epa.gov/airnow/airaware/](https://www3.epa.gov/airnow/airaware/)
- Indoor Air Quality info page [https://www.epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq](https://www.epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq)
- Indoor AirPLUS Program – Partnership & labeling program that helps new home builders improve indoor air quality by requiring construction practices & product specs that minimize exposure to airborne pollutants & contaminants [https://www.epa.gov/indoorairplus](https://www.epa.gov/indoorairplus)
- College/Underserved Community Partnership Program – Partnering & delivering technical assistance to small underserved communities from local colleges and universities at no cost to the communities [https://www.epa.gov/communityhealth/collegeunderserved-community-partnership-program-cupp](https://www.epa.gov/communityhealth/collegeunderserved-community-partnership-program-cupp)
- EnviroFlash – Online subscription for info about local air quality [http://www.enviroflash.info/](http://www.enviroflash.info/)
- Air Sensor Toolbox – Info for citizen scientists & others on how to select & use low-cost, portable air sensor technology & understand results from monitoring activities [https://www.epa.gov/air-sensor-toolbox](https://www.epa.gov/air-sensor-toolbox)
- Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools page [https://www.epa.gov/iaq-schools](https://www.epa.gov/iaq-schools)
- ENERGY STAR Buildings Program [https://www.energystar.gov/buildings](https://www.energystar.gov/buildings)

Madison County Green Schools – Eve Dueke; ehdrueke@co.madison.il.us

- Green Schools Quest – challenge for public & private schools in Missouri & Southern Illinois to devise & implement the most creative, effective, & no or low cost sustainable practices for their schools; Registration forms due in September, projects begin in October, submission for judging in March [http://www.usgbc-mogateway.org/green-school-quest/](http://www.usgbc-mogateway.org/green-school-quest/)
- Clean Air Bookmark Competition – Bookmark design competition that should illustrate various way to improve air quality in the St. Louis region; Entry forms due March 15, winners announced March 31, awards presented April 19
- EPA Air Quality School Flag Program –schools register online & receive a set of colored flags that correspond with air quality indicator colors [https://airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=flag_program.index](https://airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=flag_program.index)
Madison County Health Department – Erin Boester; ejboester@co.madison.il.us

- Radon kits & presentations – info about radon, buying radon test kits, & radon presentations put on by the health department
  http://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/health/rdon.php
- Info about mold & indoor air quality
  http://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/health/mold.php

Madison County Sustainability – Kim Petzing; kspetzing@co.madison.il.us

- Green Cities Challenge – sponsors local municipalities’ participation to foster incorporation of sustainable policies & practices within local government operations
- Air & Health Forum – annual sustainability-themed dialogue focusing on the connection between obesity, nutrition, air quality, & the environment
- Solarize Program – group buy program that helps home & business owners in Madison County invest in lower-cost solar installations; holding multiple “power hours” through the summer
  http://www.co.madison.il.us/SolarizeMCGC-Poster-8.5x11%20v2.pdf
- Sustainability Plan – completing a county-wide sustainability plan that addresses best management practices ranging from air quality to ecological health to growth of sustainable businesses
- Monthly Report
- Small Green Steps

Madison County Transit/RideFinders – Amanda Viliocco; aviliocco@mct.org

- RideFinders will be attending St. Louis Earth Day
- Madison County Transit – Muny Express (bus service to all Friday evening Muny performances); Summer Youth Pass (free rides on MCT for Madison County students 18 & under from Memorial Day to Labor Day); Learning in Motion (presentations to 3rd grade classes about the importance of public transportation, walking & biking in relation to air pollution); MCT Express Bus Service (bus service for Madison County residents working in downtown St. Louis or wanting to catch a Metrobus or train, helps reduce air pollution & congestion in the region)
- RideFinders – Ridematching Service (free online service connecting individuals interested in carpooling who live & work near one another); Vanpooling (group of commuters who share the ride to & from work in vans provided by RideFinders for a monthly fee); Guaranteed Ride Home (provides ridesharing commuters of participating organizations with up to four $125 taxi rides home annually)

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Lisa Nahach; lisa.nahach@dnr.mo.gov

- Air Pollution Control Program – website has info on seasonal tips for saving money & lowering air pollution, monitoring air pollutants, & general info on air quality & various pollutants
  http://dnr.mo.gov/env/apcp/
- Anti-Idling Brochure – info about the effects of idling, state regulations, idling at schools, & myths & facts about idling
  http://dnr.mo.gov/pubs/docs/pub2354.pdf
- Gateway Vehicle Inspection Program – emissions testing program for vehicles registered in the St. Louis ozone nonattainment area (St. Louis, Franklin, Jefferson, & St. Charles counties & St.
Louis city)
http://dnr.mo.gov/gatewayvip/

- Air stations map – shows all of the air quality monitoring sites in Missouri & can break those into groups based on what pollutants each monitors
http://www.dnr.mo.gov/mapviewer/aqms.html

- Air pollution web cameras – real-time visibility monitoring in Kansas City & St. Louis
http://dnr.mo.gov/env/esp/aqm/archcam-1.htm

- List of air quality events, orgs, newsletters, etc. from various local organizations
http://dnr.mo.gov/env/apcp/improvingairquality-daysandways.htm

- Fact sheet & tips on how to improve air quality
http://dnr.mo.gov/pubs/pub2199.htm

- Air Program Advisory Forum – group of interested parties that exchange info with regards to air quality in Missouri; schedule of meetings & list of agendas
http://dnr.mo.gov/env/apcp/airadvisory/index.html

- Linda Wegrzyn; linda.wegrzyn@dnr.mo.gov – St. Louis Regional Office; anti-idling campaign at STL office & does an air quality exhibit at St. Louis Earth Day celebration

Sierra Club – Virginia Woulfe-Beile; virginia.woulfe-beile@sierraclub.org

- Most air quality work is done with partnering organizations

- Cool Cities Initiative – Alton, Godfrey, Granite City, Edwardsville, Glen Carbon; works with volunteers to aid municipalities in benchmarking & reducing greenhouse gas emissions in municipal operations

- Monitors EPA air permits & occasionally requests public meetings or hearings

- Helping facilitate community transition after the closure of Dynegy Wood River Coal Plant with a Beyond Coal national organizer

- National organization began the Ready for 100 Campaign that seeks a total transition away from fossil fuels to 100% renewable clean energy

St. Louis Regional Clean Air Partnership – Susannah Fuchs; susannah.fuchs@lung.org

- Air quality info, tips, & posters
http://cleanair-stlouis.com/air-pollution-101/

St. Louis Regional Clean Cities – Kevin Herdler; clnfuel@gmail.com

- VW Stakeholder Forums – Hear the latest on the settlement & express your thoughts on how best the state can use its funding under VW’s Environmental Mitigation Trust
Springfield, MO (March 31, 2017)
Columbia, MO (May 4, 2017)
St. Louis, MO (Date TBD)
Springfield, IL (Date TBD)
Other Local Organizations Contacted

Audubon Center at Riverlands – Julie Watson; jwatson@audubon.org
  • Never responded; resent email 4/10

East West Gateway – Frank Johnson; frank.johnson@ewgateway.org
  • CC’d two other staff members; they never responded
  • Forwarded my email to one of those staff members 4/10

IEPA – Brad Frost; brad.frost@illinois.gov
  • Never responded; resent email 4/10

Missouri Air Conservation Commission – David Zimmerman; dcz@sheetmetal36.org
  • Never responded; resent email 4/10

Missouri Botanical Gardens – Kat Golden; katherine.golden@mobot.org
  • No air quality-specific programs or info

Missouri Coalition for the Environment – Caitlin Zera; czera@moenviron.org
  • Never responded; resent email 4/10

National Great Rivers Research & Education Center – Natalie Marioni; nmarioni@lc.edu
  • NGRREC doesn’t focus on air quality/pollution

SIUE Environmental Sciences – Zhi Qing Lin; zhlin@siue.edu
  • No air quality-related info or programs currently

The Nature Institute – Ramona Puskar; rpuskar@thenatureinstitute.org
  • Never responded; resent email 4/10

Watershed Nature Center – Sarah Palermo; sarah@watershednc.org
  • Does not have any air quality programs or info
  • Would like to be part of an air quality program if we develop one