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PAG’s Clean Cities Coalition members contribute to major petroleum reduction milestone in nation
National program cuts petroleum use by 1 billion gallons in one year
Pima Association of Governments’ Clean Cities Coalition is among the U.S. Department of Energy’s nearly 100 Clean Cities coalitions nationwide contributing to the reduction of petroleum use by 1 billion gallons in 2013 alone. This keeps the DOE’s Clean Cities program on track to meet its ambitious petroleum-reduction goal of 2.5 billion gallons a year by 2020.

DOE launched the national program in 1993 and has been a key contributor to the Clean Cities’ mission in the region since its founding in 1998. The local coalition has helped reduce petroleum use by over 55 million gallons to date.

Reducing America’s oil dependency and our transportation system’s environmental footprint are at the heart of Clean Cities’ efforts. Nationwide, Clean Cities and its stakeholders prevented the production of 7.5 million tons of greenhouse gases in 2013.

“From 15 million gallons in its first year to a cumulative 6.4 billion through 2013, Clean Cities is shifting transportation away from petroleum—one vehicle, fleet and community at a time,” said Clean Cities National Director Dennis Smith. “The collaborations and relationships that local coalitions create are key to our national success.”

The coalitions’ local knowledge, combined with the objective, reliable technical expertise of the Energy Department and its national laboratories, make Clean Cities unique in its ability to stimulate change.

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Clean Cities advances the nation’s environmental, economic and energy security by supporting local actions to cut petroleum use in transportation. A national network of Clean Cities’ coalitions brings together stakeholders in the public and private sectors to deploy alternative and renewable fuels, idle-reduction measures, fuel economy improvements, and new transportation technologies as they emerge.

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