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## Zero-emission yard care incentive program not just for lawnmowers anymore

For nearly two decades, Valley residents have had access to rebates when retiring their gas mowers in favor of electric. Now, Clean Green Yard Machines (CGYM) offers much more.

The program has expanded to offer rebates on electric mowers, edgers, trimmers, chainsaws and pole saws, all simply by purchasing electric instead of gas powered equipment.

Historically, CGYM only allowed a rebate if participants turned in a gas mower for retirement, under the new program residents can receive up to \$250 with retirement of a gas mower and the purchase of a new electric mower, or a rebate of up to \$50 without a gas mower to trade in. Additionally, the purchase of a new electric edger, trimmer, chainsaw or pole saw also offers a maximum rebate of \$50 and does not require trade in.

Interested Valley residents should visit [www.valleyair.org/cgym](http://www.valleyair.org/cgym) for program guidelines and application before purchasing new equipment. For questions, email: [grants@valleyair.org](mailto:grants@valleyair.org) or, call 559-230-5800.

## Healthy Air Heroes teaches kids at home or school

The Valley Air District offers a free, fun educational kit that is a great resource for engaging kids in the world of air quality. Healthy Air Heroes is perfect for K-6 grade children and available free by request to parents and teachers.

Kids will learn about the health effects of ozone and particulate matter, living a Healthy Air Life, and how to use valuable online tools like RAN (Real-time Air Advisory Network) and ROAR (Real-time Outdoor Activity Risk) guidelines.

Each kit includes an activity booklet filled with a variety of games, a pencil, crayons and stickers.

While parents can obtain kits for their kids to use at home, teachers may request them for the entire class, turning Healthy Air Heroes into a fun school assignment or constructive free time activity.

To request a kit, e-mail: [public.education@valleyair.org](mailto:public.education@valleyair.org). You can also download the activity booklet at: [www.healthyliving.com/schools/outreach-materials](http://www.healthyliving.com/schools/outreach-materials).



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