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Southland Seniors Learn About Air Quality and Healthy Living at SCAQMD Event

More than 2,500 seniors attended the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Healthy Living and Clean Air Fair for Seniors today at the Los Angeles Convention Center.

"Research has shown that seniors are more susceptible to the harmful effects of air pollution than the general population," said SCAQMD Chairman William A. Burke, Ed.D. "This event provided practical tips for seniors and their families to help protect their health and improve their well-being."

Seniors from throughout Los Angeles County, representing more than 50 senior centers, attended the luncheon. Today's fair was the eighth senior event hosted by SCAQMD, following one in 2011 and six in 2012.

Los Angeles City Council President Herb J. Wesson, Jr. was the keynote speaker and Dominique DiPrima, radio talk show host from KJLH 102.3-FM, emceed the event.

Attendees watched a new version of "The Right to Breathe," SCAQMD's signature documentary film about environmental justice and air quality. They also had the opportunity to visit nearly 30 exhibits showcasing advanced-technology vehicles and organizations promoting healthy lifestyles.

The SCAQMD is the air pollution control agency for Orange County and major portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

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