

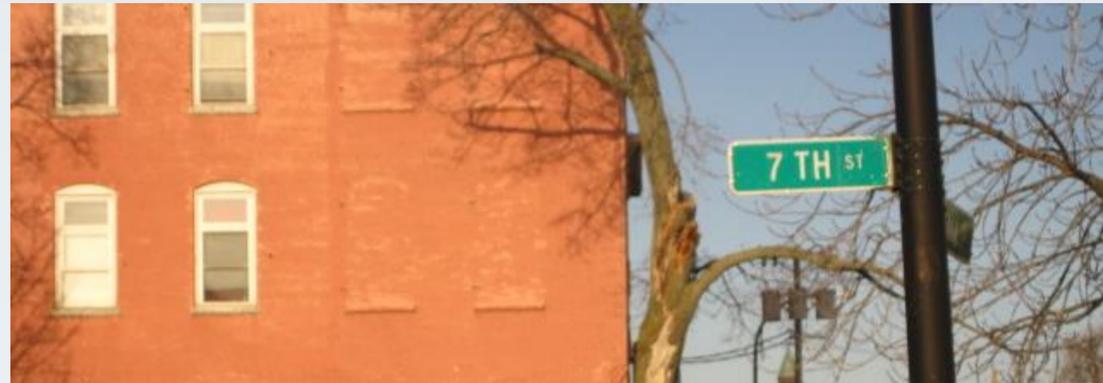
What is really in the air YOU breath?

What **Buffalo West Side Community Collaborative** in collaboration with **The Clean Air Coalition of W.N.Y. (CACWNY)**

Is doing to find out what is in Buffalo's air

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Our Mission: Problems with ownership and establishing a strong sense of community have led to crime and decreased property values on Buffalo's West Side. However, there are currently many signs of renewal in this stressed part of our city: The West Side Community Collaborative, under founding director Harvey Garrett, essentially works to empower citizens to become a community bonded together by shared interests, block-style planning, and the motivation to make the West Side a better place. We are going door-to-door in the neighborhood affected by the Peace Bridge diesel fumes, surveying health concerns and educating people about what they can do to change this desperate situation.



“A study conducted by Dr. Lwebuga- Mukasa, Professor of Medicine at the University of Buffalo, found that nearly 45% of West Side households reported at least one case of chronic respiratory illness or asthma.”

CACWNY

(Erin Heaney- Executive Director)

“The Clean Air Coalition protects the right of Western New York residents to breathe clean air and live, work, and play in a healthy environment. To protect that right, the Coalition organizes community members and builds diverse coalitions to implement initiatives to reduce environmental hazards.”



Peace Bridge opens to commemorate 100 years of friendly relations between Canada & US

Planning to expand bridge and U.S Plaza begins

PBA agrees to put off tearing down homes in West Side neighborhood

CACWNY is currently in the process of testing air quality in the neighborhoods surrounding the Peace Bridge in attempt to prove the source of the pollution and terminate the bridge expansion plan.

1927

1967

1992

2000

2009

An engineering feasibility report recommends widening bridge, but isn't approved

PBA asks for withdrawal of all permits and approvals for companion bridge due to environmental issues