

Dear Resident of Santa Monica,

We at Crossroads School for the Arts and Sciences in alliance with Green Depot, a sustainable energy non-profit based in Santa Monica, urge you to demonstrate support for biodiesel, an environmentally responsible, domestically produced alternative fuel.

Our goal is to strongly encourage the city of Santa Monica to join us in our advocacy for the establishment of a "Green Depot" Sustainable Energy Center which will feature an easily available, public access biodiesel pump where our own school, as well as all other Westside schools and the community can fill up their buses and cars with eco-friendly, sustainable fuel.

Biodiesel is a cleaner burning alternative to petroleum diesel, and it is made from renewable resources, like soybeans and other natural fats and oils, grown right here in the United States. In addition, biodiesel can help protect the environment by reducing particulate, hydrocarbon, carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide emissions.

Biodiesel is not an experimental fuel. The American Society of Testing and Materials has issued a full specification for biodiesel, ASTM D 6751. During the last 10 years, biodiesel has been tested in virtually every diesel engine type and application resulting in more than 60 million successful road miles and countless marine and off-road hours. After its own extensive tests, the Department of Defense issued a policy guidance letter encouraging the use of B20 in military vehicles.

I encourage you to demonstrate a commitment to the environment and the U.S. economy by supporting our petition to get the city of Santa Monica to agree to support Green Depot in their efforts to establish a new environmentally friendly fuel station and Sustainable Energy Center, so that we may pursue our ambition of being part of the solution rather than contributing to our environment's problems.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to provide this input, and we hope that you will aid us on our journey to provide a cleaner earth for generations to come.

Sincerely,

The Biofuel Alliance  
Students for Environmental Action (S.E.A.)  
Crossroads School for Arts and Sciences  
New Roads School  
Santa Monica High School  
Green Depot <[www.GreenDepot.org](http://www.GreenDepot.org)>  
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Please return all signed petitions to

Green Depot  
PO Box 3096  
Santa Monica, CA 90408  
310.962.0488

Please return before January 23<sup>rd</sup> if possible.