
CARS FOR SCHOOLS

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS



Bureau of Automotive Repair

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CONSUMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
BAR ADVISORY GROUP MEETING
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OVERVIEW

Through this program, BAR will provide retired CAP vehicles to publicly funded automotive technical training programs operated by:

- High Schools
- Community Colleges
- Regional Occupational Programs

PROGRAM GOALS

- Provide students additional hands-on training opportunities
- Increase the types of vehicles available for instructional purposes
- Contribute to the quality of automotive technical education
- Contribute to the quality of automotive repair in California
- Contribute to Smog Check repair effectiveness

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OBJECTIVES

- Provide up to 350 retired vehicles annually to public high school and junior college automotive programs statewide
- Establish a process that minimizes costs to schools, dismantlers, and BAR
- Allow schools to request specific vehicle types, makes, and models
- Ensure that retired vehicles used in this program are not driven on California roads and remain an insignificant source of air pollution
- Track vehicles and ensure they are permanently scrapped after a designated period of time

PROCESS SUMMARY

- A school signs an MOU with BAR
- The school submits a request for one or more vehicles from BAR, noting the year, make, and model desired (or a range of acceptable makes and models)
- BAR places the request(s) in a database shared with dismantlers
- BAR will notify the school when a requested vehicle becomes available at a local dismantler site
- The dismantler will obtain a non-revivable junk receipt and transfer ownership to the school via a zero-dollar bill of sale
- The school will be responsible for transporting the vehicle to their location by car-carrier or tow truck
- The school must return the vehicle to the dismantler for permanent disposal by May 31, 2022
- BAR will track and monitor the usage and disposition of vehicles

OBJECTIVES ACHIEVED

- New dismantler contracts, effective July 1, allow BAR to transfer up to ten vehicles per year from each of 35 dismantler locations
- Process developed
- Vehicle database completed
- MOU was drafted and approved for use between BAR and each participating school

NEXT STEPS

- Test process with a few interested schools in Fall
- Obtain a statewide list of public high school and community college automotive programs
- Conduct outreach:
 - Inform schools of program
 - Provide access to MOU

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Submit questions and/or comments to:

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