

# **Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi**

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## **MEDIA ALERT**

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**WHO:** Pollution Prevention Partnership at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

**WHAT:** AutoCheck Clinic to Identify Vehicles Emitting Harmful Pollutants

**WHEN:** Thursday, Dec. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** Whataburger Field

## **Pollution Prevention Partnership's AutoCheck Program Provides Free Repairs for High-Polluting Vehicles**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – The Pollution Prevention Partnership (P3) at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will hold a free AutoCheck Clinic Thursday, Dec. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Whataburger Field.

The Corpus Christi Police Department Auto Theft Division will also be there to provide VIN window etching and information on how to protect your vehicle.

AutoCheck is a state-of-the-art auto engine analyzer that quickly identifies vehicles that are discharging harmful pollutants into the air. When a high-polluting automobile is identified, AutoCheck will schedule the vehicle for repairs at a participating garage, typically with no cost to the owner.

AutoCheck was purchased with a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) grant from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The AutoCheck analyzer breaks down exhaust components of a passing vehicle to determine if it is running clean.

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