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Dear Fresno Community Organization,

The San Joaquin Valley (SJV) has some of the worst air pollution in the nation and residents experience high rates of asthma and other diseases related to air quality. Unfortunately, our valley does not have enough air monitors to measure air pollution locally.

We are asking community organizations (like you!) to host air monitors to help expand monitoring in the valley and provide data for our pollution monitoring network. All that's required to host a monitor is access to an outdoor power source and a Wi-Fi connection. If you would like to participate, you will be given a **free** air monitor (no cost to you!) which will allow you to monitor outdoor air quality at your location.

The SJV Center for Air Assessment and Injustice Reduction (SJV-CAIR) is a group of local environmental health scientists, epidemiologists, and other Public Health researchers that was formed to study inequalities in air pollution experienced in our communities. With your help, we can monitor our air quality to:

- Understand air quality in your location and the potential impacts on public health
- Develop strategies to improve air quality, and
- Share research results with stakeholders.

As monitors are limited, we encourage you to reach out to us quickly if you are interested in participating. To register today or learn more about this project, please contact Estrella Herrera at: airquality@ucmerced.edu and (915) 541-5997.

Sincerely,
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