

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## San Ysidro School District Receives Grant Supporting Electric Busing

**SAN YSIDRO** – The San Ysidro School District has been approved for a grant fund amount of \$1,005,916 by the Community Air Protection Program. Per Assembly Bill 617, the Air Pollution Control District grant funds will be used to offset the purchase of four new electric buses in the coming school year. The San Ysidro community, led by Mothers Out Front, partnered with the district to submit the grant application and help guide the district in efforts to improve the community's air quality with actions such as electric busing.

"Our ultimate goal is to convert our entire fleet of fossil fuel school buses to electric buses," stated Paulo Azevedo, Director of Maintenance, Operations, Transportation Facilities (MOTF). "We want to do our part in reducing the air pollution and improving air quality in our community."

The San Ysidro School District is excited to utilize these new clean air vehicles to serve students while reducing future fuel usage and costs. The District plans to have these buses charged by carbon neutral energy from the existing on-site solar fields.

If you have any questions, please contact Francisco Mata, Coordinator of Public Relations and Community Services, at (619) 750-6720.

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