One Breath Away:
Reducing Rates and Severity of Pollution Induced Asthma in the Boston Area

Problem:
One out of Nine children in Massachusetts Suffers from Asthma

Solution: Congestion Taxing

- Six Dollar Charge for Cars Driving into Congestion Zone
- Revenue Raised Invested in Public Transport
- High Polluting Vehicles Will have to Pay up to 110 Dollars

Implementation/Assessment

- Propose Policy to Mass Department of Transportation
- Persuade State Legislators to Support Policy
- Work with Advocacy Groups to Gain Support for Policy
- Develop Plans for Public Transport Improvement
- Take Daily Air Quality Tests to Show If Air Pollution is Decreasing

Causes Of Asthma
- Illness
- Car Emissions
- Mold & Fungus

Impacts Of Asthma:
- Economic Strain on Family
- Missed Days at School
- Lifetime Health Issues for children

Shown to have up to a 20% reduction in air pollution levels in cities