



This story spotlights one of GVMC's Programs.....

**Ozone Action Forecasting
Season Is Here!**

As the weather warms up, so will the likelihood of Clean Air Action Days. Action Days are called when either ozone or fine particulate matter are expected to reach or exceed the "unhealthy for sensitive groups" range. Sensitive groups include children, the elderly, those with heart and lung disease, and those who are active outdoors. In West Michigan, Action Days are most frequently called when ozone levels are expected to be elevated, which happens on hot, humid spring and summer days when the humidity is high and when winds are from the southwest.

We reach out to the public in a variety of ways to inform them about Clean Air Action Days and what they can do to reduce emissions and protect their health. This year, we will have commercials on tele-



vision and the radio, and I'll be bringing our Clean Air Action display, along with an assortment of promotional materials, to various jurisdictions in West Michigan where it will stay for a week.

I'll also be attending a variety of events. *If you are interested in hosting our display or if you have any events in your area in which I can participate (health and wellness or children's events are generally the best fit), please contact me by phone (616.776.7603) or e-mail (andrea.faber@gvmc.org).*

Please feel free to contact me at anytime. Thank you for doing your share for cleaner air!

-Andrea Faber

Street Maintenance Survey

Katherine Collen our Grand Valley State University Graduate Assistant recently sent out a survey to local road agencies regarding general-fund expenditures for streets.

We would like to compile the information to present to state leaders and demonstrate the high level of local funding (non Act 51) in addition to normal Act 51 funds being utilized to maintain our region's street system.

In the dialogue for additional funding, the issue of current investment of general fund dollars is often overlooked. This data will give us a better understanding of the degree of local investment necessary to maintain the street system in our communities. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Katherine. She can be reached at Katherine.Collen@gvmc.org.

**Have a Safe Memorial
Day Weekend!**



Send Us Your Community's
Ideas for Collaboration and
Cooperation!



**WEST MICHIGAN
CLEAN AIR
ACTION!**