

A PLAN OF ACTION AND LASTING AIR QUALITY CONTROLS



“For over ten years we have been fighting smog.
The battle is not yet won.”

Carl P. Miller, President, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce
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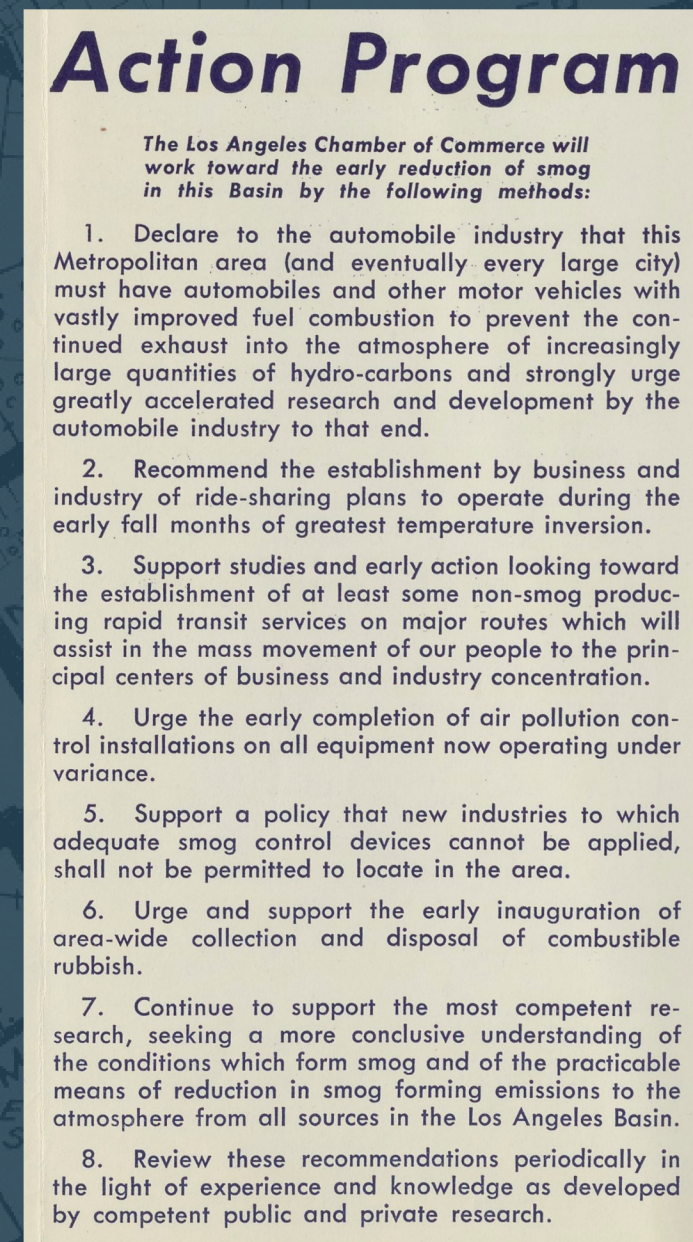
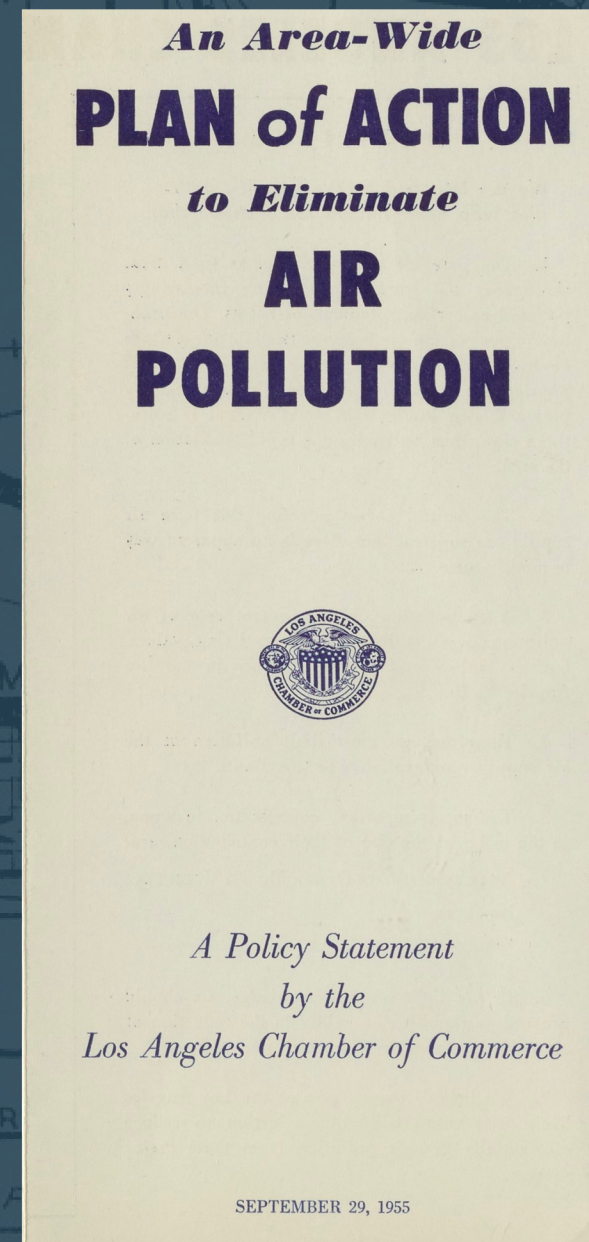




Inside the Mobile Sampling Unit
Dr. Beckman discusses the apparatus used for measuring chemical pollutants in the air.



The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce issued a policy statement calling on the citizens of L.A. to make a concerted effort to rid the area of smog, and provided a plan of action.



The Chamber's plan recommended eight methods of smog reduction:

- 1 Improved exhaust prevention by the auto industry
- 2 Implementation of company ride-share programs
- 3 Increased use of non-smog producing mass transit
- 4 Early air pollution control installations on equipment
- 5 New industries must have smog control devices
- 6 Collection & disposal of combustible rubbish
- 7 Ongoing research to better understand smog
- 8 Regular review of smog reduction recommendations





Car manufacturers began installing catalytic converters as standard equipment in cars, which reduced smog within the Los Angeles basin, and the Federal U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued new air quality regulations.



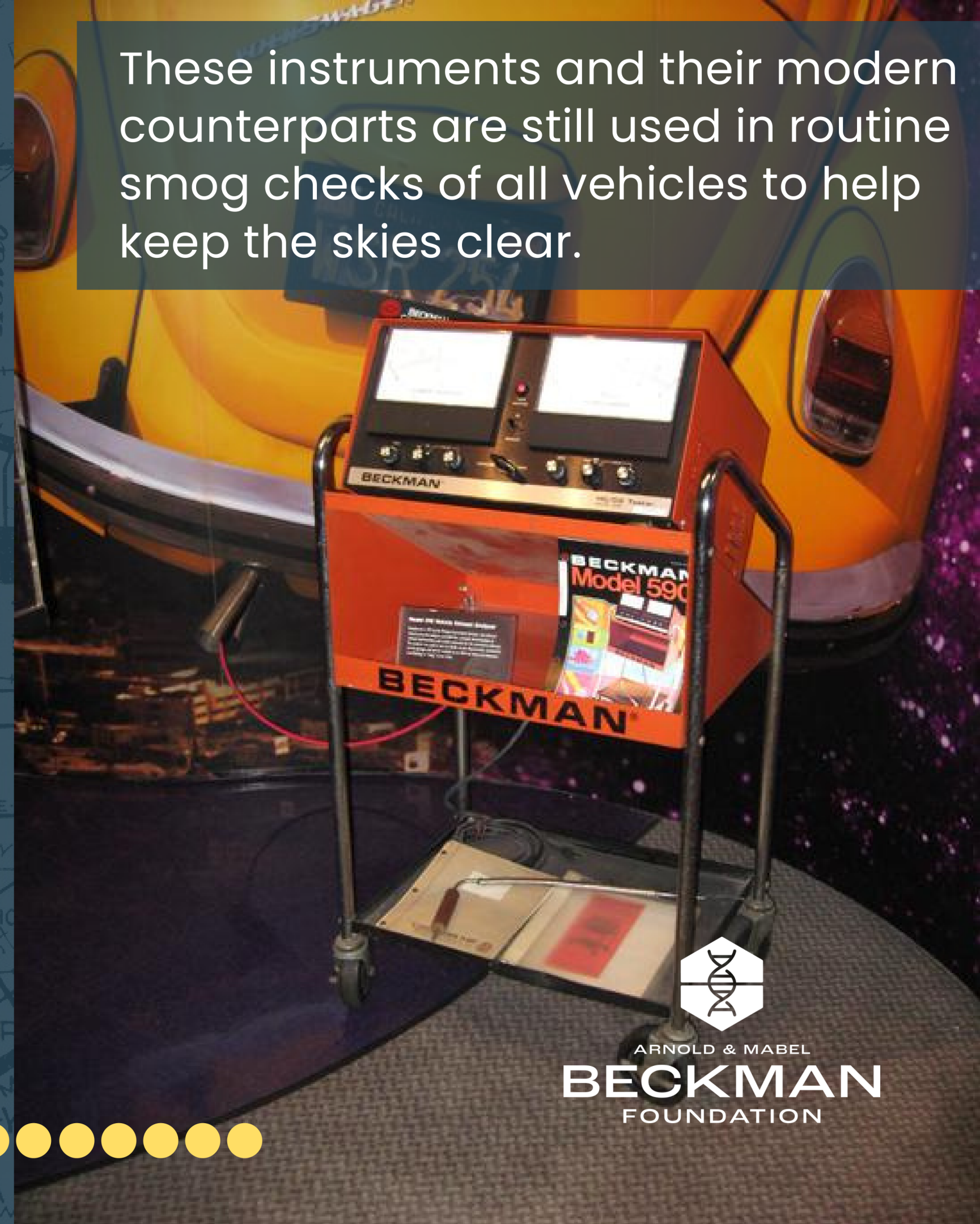
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Beckman Vehicle Emissions Analyzer, ca. 1980s

Beckman Instruments produced a vehicle emissions analyzer that could rapidly determine if the catalytic converter was working properly and the vehicle emission met the new EPA standards.

These instruments and their modern counterparts are still used in routine smog checks of all vehicles to help keep the skies clear.



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