

## Carroll County Public Library

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## **Check Out Air Quality Monitors at Library**

Carroll County, MD – You can now check out a Speck air quality monitor at Eldersburg, Finksburg, and Mount Airy branches of the Carroll County Public Library. Each branch has received three Speck indoor air quality monitors as part of a special project with specksensor.com and Carnegie-Mellon University (CMU).

The Speck sensors, which detect particulate air pollution in the home, have already been used by hundreds of patrons of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. CMU's <u>CREATE Lab</u>, which developed Speck, and spinoff company Airviz, which makes and markets the device, offer free Specks, informational materials, and training to public libraries that agree to make them available to their patrons.

Monitors may be borrowed for free using your library card. It's an easy way for anyone to determine air quality and enable you to make informed decisions about improving it. Speck is designed for use indoors, helping users realize when polluted outside air is coming into the house, or to recognize pollution sources within the home. It is also Wi-Fi-connected, so air quality data can be uploaded for analysis and shared, if desired, via the Internet.

For more information, contact your local library at 410-386-4488.

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