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## **More than 130 Car Dealerships Compete in Contest to Support the Bay through Chesapeake Bay License Plates**

*Annapolis, Maryland* – On April 1, at the start of the spring car season, a new contest kicks off among environmentally friendly automobile dealerships. Dealerships who send the most customers off their lots with Treasure the Chesapeake Bay Plates, sell the highest percentage of cars with Bay Plates, and those who are most improved over previous years during the months of April, May, and June 2017 will be named winners. Already, 138 automobile dealerships, named “Dealers for the Bay,” have signed up to participate in the contest, and friendly rivalries among neighboring dealerships and dealerships within car families have begun.

“What a fun way for our member dealers to show their support for the Bay and our communities’ rivers and streams during this busy car shopping season,” said John O’Donnell, President and CEO of the Washington Area New Automobile Dealers Association, many members of which have already signed up to be Dealers for the Bay. “Our dealerships love a friendly rivalry, and with this contest they can compete with each other, show their customers they care about our natural resources, and do good at the same time.”

Funds generated from the sale of the Bay Plate are distributed by a nonprofit organization, the Chesapeake Bay Trust, through grants that fund natural resources, K-12 education, conservation, and restoration programs. Schools, students, teachers, community associations, and other organizations tap into this funding to carry out projects all across the state, in every county from the mountains to the coast.

“The Trust is so thankful to our Dealers for the Bay and to the hundreds of thousands of Marylanders who already have Bay Plates” said Jana Davis, executive director of the Chesapeake Bay Trust. “These dealerships, through their promotion of the Bay Plate, are helping get kids outside on field trips through their schools, trees planted with local civic associations, and gardens planted across our communities, all of which helps the Bay and its rivers and streams.”

A Bay Plate costs the car-buyer \$20, and he or she is then eligible to join the Plate Perks program in which they get discounts (generally worth more than \$20 per year) and preferred parking at businesses all across the state.

Dealerships who sell 20 more Bay Plates this spring will be able to get 10 more kids out on field trips and 6 more trees planted in local communities. If all 138 dealerships can do it, 1380 more students will be educated and over 700 more trees can be planted. With proposed reductions in federal funding for the Bay, Bay Plates become an even more important source of support.

Winning dealerships in each category will be announced in September 2017.

Current Dealers for the Bay can be found at: <https://cbtrust.org/bay-plate/dealers-for-the-bay/> and below, and a list of businesses that offer discounts and other perks for Bay Plate owners can be found at: <https://cbtrust.org/bay-plate/plate-perks-program-discounts-for-bay-plate-owners/>

## About the Chesapeake Bay Trust

The Chesapeake Bay Trust ([www.cbtrust.org](http://www.cbtrust.org)) is a nonprofit grant-making organization dedicated to improving the natural resources of Maryland and the Chesapeake region through environmental education, community engagement, and local watershed restoration. The Trust engages hundreds of thousands of individuals annually in projects that have a measurable impact on the waterways and other natural resources of the region. The Trust is supported by the sale of the Treasure the Chesapeake license plate and other sources. The Trust has received the highest rating from Charity Navigator for fourteen years: 92 percent of the Trust's expenditures are directed to its restoration and education programs.

## **Dealers for the Bay by Region**

### **Anne Arundel County**

[Adams Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Annapolis](#)  
[Annapolis Hyundai](#)  
[Annapolis Subaru](#)  
[Annapolis Volvo](#)  
[Audi Annapolis](#)  
[Bayside Nissan of Annapolis](#)  
[Bob Bell Ford](#)  
[Bob Bell Hyundai](#)  
[Bob Bell Kia](#)  
[Brown's Honda City](#)  
[Brown's Toyota Glen Burnie](#)  
[Carbiz](#)  
[Car Center of Glen Burnie](#)  
[Criswell of Annapolis Acura](#)  
[Criswell of Annapolis Acura Pre-Owned](#)  
[Fitzgerald Volkswagen](#)  
[Honda of Annapolis](#)  
[J.B.A. Chevrolet](#)  
[Jaguar Land Rover Annapolis](#)  
[Johnson Fiat of Annapolis](#)  
[Koons Toyota of Annapolis](#)  
[Mercedes-Benz of Annapolis](#)  
[Porsche of Annapolis](#)  
[Sheehy Nissan of Glen Burnie](#)  
[Sheehy Lexus](#)  
[Sheehy Infiniti](#)  
[Wilkins Buick GMC](#)

### **Baltimore City and Baltimore County**

[Al Packer Ford](#)  
[Anderson Honda](#)  
[Antwerpen Dodge Ltd](#)  
[Antwerpen Hyundai](#)

[Antwerpen Motorcars Ltd](#)  
[Antwerpen Security Nissan](#)  
[AutoNation Chevrolet](#)  
[Bill Kidd's Toyota Scion](#)  
[Bob Davidson Ford](#)  
[Cook Volkswagen](#)  
[Frankel & Chesapeake Cadillac](#)  
[Heritage Hyundai of Towson](#)  
[Heritage Mazda Subaru](#)  
[Volkswagen](#)  
[Heritage Subaru/Volkswagen](#)  
[Honda of Owings Mills](#)  
[Jaguar Land Rover Hunt Valley](#)  
[Koons Chevrolet](#)  
[Koons Ford](#)  
[Koons of Owings Mills](#)  
[Len Stoler Hyundai](#)  
[Len Stoler Lexus](#)  
[Len Stoler Porsche](#)  
[Mercedes-Benz Owings Mills](#)  
[Norris Ford](#)  
[Northwest BMW](#)  
[Plaza Ford](#)  
[R&H Toyota](#)  
[Wilkins Subaru](#)

### **Central MD**

[Antwerpen Hyundai Clarksville](#)  
[Antwerpen Nissan Clarksville](#)  
[Antwerpen Toyota](#)  
[Antwerpen VW](#)  
[Apple Ford Lincoln](#)  
[Classic Kia](#)  
[Cook Automotive](#)  
[Criswell Nissan](#)  
[Fred Frederick Chrysler Jeep](#)  
[Dodge Ram of Laurel](#)  
[O'Donnell Honda](#)

[Ourisman Chevrolet](#)  
[Ourisman Chrysler Dodge Jeep & Ram](#)  
[Ourisman Honda/VW of Laurel](#)  
[Tischer Acura](#)  
[Tischer Nissan](#)  
[Win Kelly Chevrolet Buick GMC](#)

### **DC Metro Area**

[BMW of Silver Spring](#)  
[Capitol Cadillac, Buick, GMC, Fisker](#)  
[Carmax of Gaithersburg](#)  
[Criswell Honda](#)  
[EuroMotorcars](#)  
[DARCARS 355 Toyota Rockville](#)  
[DARCARS Chevrolet](#)  
[DARCARS Chrysler Jeep Dodge](#)  
[DARCARS Chrysler Jeep Dodge of New Carrollton](#)  
[DARCARS Ford-Kia](#)  
[DARCARS Honda of Bowie](#)  
[DARCARS Nissan of Rockville](#)  
[DARCARS Toyota of Silver Spring](#)  
[Fitzgerald Auto Mall – Gaithersburg](#)  
[Fitzgerald Auto Mall - Rockville](#)  
[Fitzgerald Buick](#)  
[Fitzgerald Lakeforest Motors](#)  
[Gaithersburg Mazda](#)  
[Herb Gordon Nissan](#)  
[Herson's Kia Motors](#)  
[Herson's Honda](#)  
[Jim Coleman Toyota](#)  
[Jim Coleman Infiniti](#)

[Jim Coleman Automotive Group](#)  
[King Buick GMC](#)  
[Koons of Silver Spring](#)  
[Lexus of Rockville](#)  
[Nissan of Bowie](#)  
[Ourisman Chevrolet of Bowie](#)  
[Ourisman Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram](#)  
[Ourisman Hyundai](#)  
[Ourisman Hyundai of Bowie](#)  
[Ourisman Mazda](#)  
[Ourisman Mazda of Rockville](#)  
[Ourisman Rockmont Chevrolet](#)  
[Ourisman Volkswagen of Bethesda](#)  
[Ourisman Volkswagen of Rockville](#)  
[Ourisman Volvo of Bethesda](#)  
[Pohanka Honda](#)  
[Pohanka Hyundai](#)  
[Pohanka Volkswagen](#)  
[Renegade](#)  
[Rosenthal Acura](#)  
[Sheehy Ford Gaithersburg](#)  
[Sport Honda](#)

### **Eastern Shore**

[Gateway Subaru](#)  
[Hertrich Chevrolet Buick GMC](#)  
[Hertrich Ford](#)  
[Koons Easton Toyota](#)  
[Pohanka Automotive Group of Salisbury – Honda](#)  
[Pohanka Automotive Group of Salisbury – Hyundai](#)  
[Pohanka Automotive Group of Salisbury – Mercedes-Benz](#)  
[Pohanka Automotive Group of Salisbury – Nissan](#)  
[Pohanka Automotive Group of Salisbury – Scion](#)  
[Pohanka Automotive Group of Salisbury – VW](#)  
[Preston Hyundai](#)  
[Preston Mazda](#)  
[Preston Nissan](#)

### **Western MD**

[Diehl's Ford Sales](#)  
[Fitzgerald Auto Mall – Frederick](#)  
[The Frederick Motor Company](#)  
[Frederick Subaru](#)

[Hagerstown Honda](#)  
[Hagerstown Kia](#)  
[Hamilton Nissan](#)  
[King Auto](#)  
[Sharrett Auto Stores](#)  
[Shockley Honda](#)  
[Thomas Subaru Hyundai](#)

### **Southern MD**

[Bayside Auto Group – Chevrolet](#)  
[Bayside Auto Group – Toyota](#)  
[Bayside Kia of Waldorf](#)  
[Fitzgerald Auto Malls](#)  
[Prince Frederick Ford](#)  
[Sheehy Hyundai of Waldorf](#)  
[Sheehy Nissan of Waldorf](#)  
[Waldorf Chevrolet and Cadillac](#)  
[Waldorf Ford](#)  
[Waldorf Honda](#)  
[Waldorf Toyota](#)  
[Wes Greenway's Waldorf Subaru and Volkswagen](#)  
[Winegardner Buick GMC](#)