

District of Columbia

# Healthy Homes

Resource Guide

The Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health and the Environment



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# MACCHE

**The Mid-Atlantic Center for Children’s Health & the Environment (MACCHE)** is the Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit (PEHSU) of Region 3 ; serving Delaware, District of Columbia, Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia). It is a joint effort of the George Washington University and the Children's National Medical Center.

The mission of MACCHE is to provide education about children’s health and the environment (CHE) to health professionals in Region 3 and to answer questions from health providers, parents and community members about the impact of the environment on children’s health.

For more information visit our website at [www.health-e-kids.org](http://www.health-e-kids.org).

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*Targeted Grants to Improve Childhood Asthma Management.*

# Lead

## *Home Assessment/Inspection:*

### **Coalition for Environmentally Safe Communities**

703-868-1701

[www.cesckids.org](http://www.cesckids.org)

Provides education and free home visits to assess risk of lead poisoning and asthma.

### **Lead-Based Paint Management Program**

DC Department of Health and Department of the Environment

(202) 535-1934 (DC Lead Hot-line)

Provides hotline where the public can get information on or make complaints about possible lead-based paint activities. May be able to perform a home assessment if a resident has a documented elevated blood lead level.

### **Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning**

410-534-6447 OR 800-370-LEAD

[www.lead-safe.org](http://www.lead-safe.org)

The Coalition's lead hazard reduction crew provides services FOR MARYLAND RESIDENTS which may include window replacement, paint stabilization and emergency cleans. Most lead hazard reduction services are free of charge for families with small children or pregnant women meeting income eligibility requirements.

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## *Abatement:*

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### **Lead Safe Washington**

Residential and Community Services Division

DC Department of Housing and Community Development

202-442-7180

Lead Safe Washington provides grant funding to property owners for full remediation of lead-based paint hazards in eligible single-family and multifamily properties. Please call the Lead Safe Washington Hotline at 202-442-7180 to learn more about eligibility requirements and applying to the program.

## *Referrals:*

### **Child Lead Poisoning Prevention Program**

DC Department of Health and Department of the Environment

(202) 442-9216

825 N Capitol St, NW 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Provides education and referrals for further assistance with lead screening and home assessments. Spanish available.

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### **Office of Healthy Homes/Lead Hazard Control**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
1-800-424-LEAD (National Lead Information Center Hotline)

Provides answers on lead hazards in the home through its hotline.

### **Lead Poisoning Prevention Program**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Go to: <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/>

The CDC Lead Poisoning Prevention Program has information about lead poisoning, updates on the latest lead-related product recalls, and FAQs about lead poisoning and poisoning prevention.

## ***Blood Lead Testing/Screening:***

### **Children's Health Center at Children's National Medical Center**

111 Michigan Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20010

Hours: 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. for most clinics; emergency services available 24 hours

(202) 476-2123

Provides screenings and treatment for lead exposure, asthma, and other respiratory illnesses for newborns through age 13.

### **Children's Health Project of DC / Children's National Medical Center Pediatric Mobile Clinic**

(202) 476-3033

Provides lead screenings for children 0-18.

#### Clinic site locations:

Mondays: AME Allen Chapel Church,  
2439 Ainger Place, SE

Tuesdays: Atlantic Terrace Apartments,  
4319 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, SE

Wednesdays: Parkland Apartments,  
3300 Stanton Road, SE

Thursdays: Ferebee Hope Community Center,  
3855 8<sup>th</sup> Street, SE

Fridays: Fort Dupont Community Center,  
24 Ridge Road, SE

Monthly: "Grandma's House",  
1222 T Street, NW

### **Mary's Center for Maternal and Child Care**

2333 Ontario Road, NW  
202-483-8196

[www.maryscenter.org](http://www.maryscenter.org)  
[info@maryscenter.org](mailto:info@maryscenter.org)

Blood lead testing for children and families in DC. For uninsured residents, fees depend on income levels.

***Blood Lead Testing/Screening,  
cont:***

**Unity Health Care, Inc. /  
DC Health Care Alliance**

Clinics provide screening and treatment for asthma, other respiratory illnesses, and lead exposure.

Clinic site locations, phone numbers:

Upper Cardozo Center  
3020 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
(202) 745-4300

Anacostia Health Center  
1328 W Street, SE  
(202) 610-7160

Good Hope Road Health Center  
2041 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave., SE, Ste. 234  
(202) 610-7280

East of the River Health Center  
123 45<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
(202) 388-7890

Hunt Place Health Center  
4130 Hunt Place, NW  
(202) 388-8160

Phoenix Health Center  
1900 Massachusetts Ave., NW  
(202) 548-6500

Southwest Health Center  
850 Delaware Ave., SW  
(202) 548-4520

Walker Jones Health Center  
1100 First Street, NW  
(202) 354-1120

Woodbridge Health Center  
2146 24<sup>th</sup> Place, NE  
(202) 281-1160

Woodland Terrace Health Center  
2702 ½ Langston Street, SE

**Washington Free Clinic  
(DC Health Care Alliance)**

1525 Newton Street, NW  
(202) 667-1106

Provides screenings and treatment for asthma and lead exposure.

# Indoor Air Quality

## *Home Inspections:*

### **DC Air Quality Division**

DC Department of the Environment  
(202) 535-2257

Handles complaints relating to both indoor and outdoor air quality in your home, including problems from smoke, odors or dust caused by air pollution from businesses, traffic or construction. Depending on the severity of the problem, an inspector may be available to perform an indoor air quality check. The Air Quality Division does not perform mold inspections.

## *Education:*

### **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Indoor Air Quality Information Hotline**

1-800-438-4318

EPA's hotline and information clearinghouse provides information on indoor air quality issues, as well as information on specific indoor pollutants.

### **DC Environmental Health Administration**

51 N Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 535-2600

### **Center for Health, Environment & Justice**

www.chej.org  
P.O. Box 6806  
Falls Church, VA 22040-6806

(703) 237-2249

Email: chej@chej.org

### **National Safety Council - District of Columbia Chapter**

17 Governor's Court, Suite 185

Baltimore, MD 21244

(410) 298-4770

Toll Free: (800) 875-4770

Email: safety@chesapeakeesc.org

www.chesapeakeesc.org

### **American Lung Association**

<http://www.lungusa.org>

Lung Helpline: 1-800-LUNGUSA (586-4872)

## *Home Clean-Up services:*

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## **Outdoor Air Quality:**

### **California Air Resources Board: School Health**

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/health/school/school.htm>

1.800.242.4450

# Asthma & Allergies

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## *Education:*

### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Asthma Program**

<http://www.epa.gov/asthma/programs.html>

OR

[www.noattacks.org](http://www.noattacks.org)

Provides information about asthma and how to prevent asthma attacks.

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

Asthma Information page

<http://www.cdc.gov/asthma/children.htm>

### **National Capital Asthma Coalition**

[www.dcasthma.org](http://www.dcasthma.org)

This website lists resources for children, youth and their parents about asthma, downloadable asthma action plans, and information about school asthma resources.

### **Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America**

[www.aafa-md.org](http://www.aafa-md.org)

6609 Reisterstown Road Suite 204

Baltimore, MD 21215

Tel: (410) 484-2054

Email: [aafamd@rcn.com](mailto:aafamd@rcn.com)

## *Services:*

### **Mary's Center for Maternal and Child Care**

Provides support groups for parents and adults with asthma

2333 Ontario Road, NW

202-483-8196

[www.maryscenter.org](http://www.maryscenter.org)

[info@maryscenter.org](mailto:info@maryscenter.org)

### **Asthma Swim Program**

ProjectHEALTH

Children's National Medical Center

c/o General & Community Pediatrics, 2nd Floor

111 Michigan Ave, NW

Washington, D.C. 20010-2970

[dc@projecthealth.org](mailto:dc@projecthealth.org)

Phone: (202) 476-5780

[www.projecthealth.org](http://www.projecthealth.org)

Asthma Swim is an after-school program for families with asthmatic children living in Wards 1 and 2. ASP allows children to assume control of their health by: improving respiratory fitness through structured swimming lessons and completing schoolwork to compensate for asthma-related school absences.

### **IMPACT DC**

Center for Health Services and Community Research

111 Michigan Ave NW, Ste 5500  
Washington, DC 20010  
Phone: (202) 476-3970  
[impactdc@cnmc.org](mailto:impactdc@cnmc.org)  
[www.impact-dc.org](http://www.impact-dc.org)

Offer one-time clinical services for asthmatic children. Offer education for children and families about asthma and proper asthma management. Provide asthma kits to patients. Referrals strongly preferred.

# Mold & Moisture

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## **National Library of Medicine Mold Page**

[www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/molds.html](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/molds.html)

## **District Department of the Environment**

Radon and Indoor Air Program

Keith Keemer

(202) 535-2999

## *Education:*

### **Mold Information Page**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

<http://www.cdc.gov/mold/>

### **Alliance for Healthy Homes**

Mold Information page

[http://www.afhh.org/hhe/hhe\\_mold.htm](http://www.afhh.org/hhe/hhe_mold.htm)

### **Fungal Research Group**

Information on Mold and Children

[www.fungalresearchgroup.com](http://www.fungalresearchgroup.com)

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# Injuries & Home Safety

<http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/physicalactivity/index.htm>

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## ***Education:***

### **Injury Center**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
<http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/duip/duip.htm>  
Provides information about unintentional injury prevention.

## ***Nutrition Resources:***

### **United States Department of Agriculture**

-Recipes for Child Care settings  
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Care/Publications/centerrecipes.htm>

-Food Buying Guide and Menu planning  
[http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/nal\\_display/index.php?info\\_center=14&tax\\_level=2&tax\\_subject=230&topic\\_id=1190](http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/nal_display/index.php?info_center=14&tax_level=2&tax_subject=230&topic_id=1190)

-Team Nutrition  
[http://teammnutrition.usda.gov/Resources/menu\\_magics.pdf](http://teammnutrition.usda.gov/Resources/menu_magics.pdf)

## ***Physical Activity Resources:***

### **National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion:**

-Links to resources, publications, websites targeted at kids (9-13 yr old)

-Physical Activity School and Community Guidelines

<http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/physicalactivity/guidelines/summary.htm>

### **American Dietetic Association**

[www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org)  
1120 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 480  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
1.800.877.0877

### **Nutrition And Physical Fitness Bureau**

WIC State Agency  
DC EAT SMART/MOVE MORE Program  
[http://app.doh.dc.gov/services/wic/index\\_fsnep.shtml](http://app.doh.dc.gov/services/wic/index_fsnep.shtml)  
202.698.1913

A program that forms partnerships with DC organizations to promote food security, good health, nutrition, and physical activity to low income individuals and families.

## ***Noise Pollution:***

### **Noise Pollution Clearinghouse**

<http://www.nonoise.org/>  
1.888.200.8332  
Has web resources like classroom acoustics. Assists with testimony and comments presented to planning commissions, zoning boards, city councils, and judges. Can also get you in touch with experts in the field and others working on similar projects in your local area or nationally.

### **NoiseOff**

[www.noiseoff.org](http://www.noiseoff.org)  
Teaching guides for elementary students

### **World Health Organization: Guidelines for Community Noise**

[www.who.int/docstore/peh/noise/Comnoise-1.pdf](http://www.who.int/docstore/peh/noise/Comnoise-1.pdf)

# Other Hazards

## *Carbon Monoxide*

### *Education:*

#### **Carbon Monoxide Information Page**

Indoor Air Quality Division

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/co.html>

Presents information about carbon monoxide, health effects and how to reduce carbon monoxide in your home.

## *Radon*

### *Education and Radon Test Kits:*

#### **Radon Program**

Air Quality Division

Environmental Health Administration  
(202) 535-2302

[www.ddoe.dc.gov](http://www.ddoe.dc.gov)

To receive a free radon test kit, call the radon hotline on (202) 535-2302. If you believe you may require assistance with testing, please indicate this after leaving your name, address and zip code.

#### **The National Safety Council's Radon Hotline**

1-800-767-7236

[www.nsc.org/ehc/radon.htm](http://www.nsc.org/ehc/radon.htm)

This hotline provides an informational recording 24 hours a day. You can order a brochure on radon by leaving your name and address. The brochure contains information on ordering a low-cost short-term test kit. In addition, callers are advised to call 1-800-55-RADON [1-800-557-2366] to speak with an information specialist.

\*\*Spanish speakers may call 1-866-528-3187 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to order a low-cost radon test kit, speak with an information specialist about radon, or order radon pamphlets.

#### **Radon Information**

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

<http://www.epa.gov/radon/index.html>

Has information about radon, its health effects and how to test for radon in your home.

#### **DC Environmental Health Administration**

51 N Street, NE

Washington, DC 20002

(202) 535-2600

#### **Center for Health, Environment & Justice**

[www.chej.org](http://www.chej.org)

P.O. Box 6806

Falls Church, VA 22040-6806

(703) 237-2249

Email: [chej@chej.org](mailto:chej@chej.org)

#### **National Safety Council - District of Columbia Chapter**

17 Governor's Court, Suite 185

Baltimore, MD 21244

(410) 298-4770

Toll Free: (800) 875-4770

Email: [safety@chesapeakeesc.org](mailto:safety@chesapeakeesc.org)

[www.chesapeakeesc.org](http://www.chesapeakeesc.org)

#### **Consumer Federation of America Foundation**

Radon FIX-IT Program: 800-644-6999

-Assists consumers with radon levels of 4 pCi/L or higher by providing free publications, referrals or lists of certified mitigators in your state.

#### **Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection**

-Has information and videos about radon.

[www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/airwaste/rp/Radon\\_division/Radon\\_Homepage.htm](http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/airwaste/rp/Radon_division/Radon_Homepage.htm)

## **National Safety Council's radon page**

[www.nsc.org/ehc/radon.htm](http://www.nsc.org/ehc/radon.htm)

## **National Environmental Health Association**

[www.radongas.org/Description\\_of\\_Radon\\_Mitigation\\_Services.html](http://www.radongas.org/Description_of_Radon_Mitigation_Services.html) Lists Radon Mitigation Providers by Area

## ***Fire Safety***

### *Home Inspections:*

#### **DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services**

(202) 673-3331

Home fire safety inspections are available by appointment. They will look for overloaded outlets, working smoke detectors, unobstructed exit routes from your home, and good visibility from the street. A copy of the inspection findings will be given to the resident along with suggestions. A follow-up appointment may also be requested.

#### **DC Fire Prevention Division**

(202) 727-1600

Provides inspections of residential and commercial buildings for code violations. Call for an appointment.

### *Smoke alarms:*

#### **DC Fire Prevention Division**

(202) 727-1600

If you are a Washington DC resident and you would like to have a free smoke alarm installed in your home, call the DC Fire Prevention Division at (202) 727-1600. Leave your contact information, including name, address and phone number after the recorded message. Residents can also request a smoke alarm online using the Smoke Detector Request Form or visit their nearest fire station.

### *Education:*

#### **U.S. Fire Administration**

Federal Emergency Management Agency  
<http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/citizens/>

This site offers useful information about fire safety and fire safety tips for the home. Information is available to families, kids, older adults and people with disabilities.

## ***Pesticides***

#### **National Pesticide Information Center**

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

1-800-858-7378

<http://npic.orst.edu/>

Information hotline and website with information about pesticides. Interpretation services for over 170 languages available, including Spanish.

#### **Beyond Pesticides**

[www.beyondpesticides.org](http://www.beyondpesticides.org)

National Coalition against the misuse of pesticides

1-888-NO-POISON / (202) 543-5450

Email: [info@beyondpesticides.org](mailto:info@beyondpesticides.org)

#### **Pesticide Safety Education Program**

University of the District of Columbia Cooperative Extension

David Jefferson, Extension Specialist

202-274-7122

E-mail: [djefferson@udc.edu](mailto:djefferson@udc.edu)

Have educational materials on many aspects of pest management. Offer home repair workshops covering a variety of topics such as caulking, fixing leaky faucets, etc. Call 202-274-7115 for more information.

#### **The Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Institute of North America, Inc.**

[www.ipminstitute.org](http://www.ipminstitute.org)

608-232-1410

Email: [info@ipminstitute.org](mailto:info@ipminstitute.org)

#### **The Pennsylvania IPM Program**

<http://paipm.cas.psu.edu>

-has an "IPM Pyramid of Tactics for Kids":  
<http://resources.cas.psu.edu/ipm/PyramidPDF1.pdf>

## **IPM at Schools – University of Florida**

<http://schoolipm.ifas.ufl.edu>

## **Safer Pest Control Project (Illinois)**

[www.spcpweb.org](http://www.spcpweb.org)  
773-878-PEST (7378)  
Email: [info@spcpweb.org](mailto:info@spcpweb.org)

## **Pesticide Action Network of North America (PANNA)**

[www.panna.org](http://www.panna.org)  
(415) 981-1771  
Email: [panna@panna.org](mailto:panna@panna.org)

# *Household Cleaning Products*

### *Education:*

## **Household Products Database**

National Library of Medicine  
<http://householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov/>  
Has a searchable online database that gives health and safety information about thousands of common household products.

## **Healthy Schools Network**

[www.healthyschool.org](http://www.healthyschool.org)  
-Has site listing Safer Cleaning Products:  
[www.healthyschools.org/documents/green\\_cleaning\\_guide.pdf](http://www.healthyschools.org/documents/green_cleaning_guide.pdf)

## **The Green Cleaning Network: Safer Cleaning Products Alternatives**

<http://www.greencleaningnetwork.org/>

## **ToxTown: National Institute of Health**

<http://toxtown.nlm.nih.gov/>

## **Green Seal**

-List of Green Seal certified products  
<http://www.greenseal.org/findaproduct/index.cfm>

# *Home Hazardous Waste*

### *Disposal:*

## **DC Hazardous Waste Division**

DC Department of Health  
202-535-1660  
<http://dpw.dc.gov/dpw/cwp/view,a,1200,q,575102,dpwNav,|31204|,asp>  
The DC Hazardous Waste Division holds "collection days" during which you can bring your home hazardous waste to one of two collection points (one point is the Benning Road Trash Transfer Station, 3200 Benning Road, NE, and the other is at the Fort Totten Metro station). Call for specific dates.

# *Asbestos*

### *Education:*

## **Asbestos Information Page**

Indoor Air Quality Division  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/asbestos.html>  
Provides information about asbestos, health effects and how to reduce asbestos exposure in your home.

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# General Home Environmental Hazard Resources

## *Education:*

### **The Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health and the Environment**

1-866-MACCHE1 (622-2431) OR (202) 994-1166

[www.health-e-kids.org](http://www.health-e-kids.org)

Provides information about children's environmental health issues, as well as referrals to child environmental health clinicians.

### **EPA Office of Children's Health Protection**

202-564-2188

Can answer questions on children's health dangers like radon, pesticides, tobacco smoke, and lead that may be in the home.

### **The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Information Hotline**

1-800-CDC INFO (232-4636)

Promotes state and local screening efforts and develops improved treatments for lead exposure.

### **Consumer Product Safety Commission Public Affairs / Hotline**

1-800-638-2772 (Toll-free hotline)

Hotline answers questions and provides several booklets on health dangers in the home.

### **District of Columbia Department of Health**

[www.doh.dc.gov](http://www.doh.dc.gov)

825 North Capitol Street NE

Washington, DC 20002

(202) 671-5000

Email: [doh@dc.gov](mailto:doh@dc.gov)

### **District Department of the Environment**

Government of the District of Columbia

Frank D. Reeves Municipal Center

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[www.ddoe.dc.gov](http://www.ddoe.dc.gov)

(202) 535-2600

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### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3**

[www.epa.gov/region03](http://www.epa.gov/region03)

## *Federal Agencies:*

### **Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry**

[www.atsdr.cdc.gov](http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov)

ATSDR can tell you where to find occupational and environmental health clinics.

### **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services- Healthfinder.gov**

[www.healthfinder.gov](http://www.healthfinder.gov)

Reliable source of health information on a variety of different topics.

### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Child Health Protection**

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/ochp/ochpweb.nsf/content/homepage.htm>

This is a reliable source of information to protect children from environmental risk.

### **Center for Environmental Health, CDC**

<http://www.cdc.gov/Environmental/>

This site is a reliable source of information on environmental health.

## *National Organizations*

### **Children's Environmental Health Network**

<http://www.cehn.org>

CEHN's mission is to protect the fetus and the child from environmental health hazards and promote a healthy environment.

Phone: (202) 543-4033

Email: [cehn@cehn.org](mailto:cehn@cehn.org)

CEHN's Resource Guide: a list of key resources in children's environmental health

<http://cehn.org/cehn/resourceguide/keywordindex.html>

### **The Healthy Schools Network**

<http://www.healthyschools.org>

The Healthy Schools Network works to ensure that every child has a healthy learning environment that is clean and in good repair.

(202) 543-7555

Email: [info@fhealthyschools.org](mailto:info@fhealthyschools.org)

### **Natural Resources Defense Council**

<http://www.nrdc.org/health>

-Mission to safeguard the Earth: its people, its plants and animals and the natural systems on which all life depends

(202) 289-6868

Email: [nrdcinfo@nrdc.org](mailto:nrdcinfo@nrdc.org)

### **Alliance for Healthy Homes**

[www.afhh.org](http://www.afhh.org)

Works to prevent and eliminate hazards in our homes that can harm the health of children, families, and other residents

[afhh@afhh.org](mailto:afhh@afhh.org)

### **Physicians for Social Responsibility**

[www.psr.org](http://www.psr.org)

The medical and public health voice working to prevent the use or spread of nuclear weapons and to slow, stop and reverse global warming and toxic degradation of the environment.

(202) 667-4260

Email: [psrnatl@psr.org](mailto:psrnatl@psr.org)

### **Environmental Defense**

[www.environmentaldefense.org](http://www.environmentaldefense.org)

Partners with businesses, governments and communities to find practical environmental solutions.

(800) 684-3322

### **Institute for Children's Environmental Health (ICEH)**

[www.iceh.org](http://www.iceh.org)

Working for a healthy, just and sustainable future for all children.

360-331-7904

Email: [iceh@iceh.org](mailto:iceh@iceh.org)