



HOME HEATING SEASON IS HERE!

January

Is Radon Action Month

Stop by one of our IPH offices for your FREE (January only) Radon Testing Kits.

Monday – Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

LOCATIONS:

IPH-Riverfront

1400 Woodbridge St.

Detroit, MI 48207

IPH-Northend

9053 Woodward

Detroit, MI 48202

IPH

19830 James Couzens

Detroit, MI 48235

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN
I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim
January, 2015

RADON ACTION MONTH

WHEREAS, radon is a tasteless, odorless, colorless, radioactive gas that occurs as a result of the natural breakdown of uranium in soil and rock and sometimes enters homes through openings in the foundation floor or walls; and,

WHEREAS, exposure to elevated levels of radon is an environmental health threat; this exposure in homes is the leading cause of lung cancer among nonsmokers in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recommends that homes with radon levels at or above 4.0 picocuries (pCi/L) should be mitigated to reduce occupants' lung cancer risk; and,

WHEREAS, elevated radon levels can be found in every Michigan county; in some Michigan counties, more than 50 percent of homes tested had elevated radon levels; and,

WHEREAS, 27 percent of all radon tests conducted statewide returned results at or above 4.0 pCi/L; and,

WHEREAS, any home regardless of age or structural type may have elevated levels of radon even if nearby homes do not; and,

WHEREAS, testing for radon is easy and inexpensive, and the lung cancer risk can be significantly decreased by reducing the elevated radon levels found indoors; and,

WHEREAS, radon resistant techniques can be used during the construction of new residential structures to reduce the lung cancer risk associated with radon; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, we join with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, local health departments, and other statewide partners to encourage citizens throughout the state to test their homes, have elevated levels of radon reduced, and incorporate radon-resistant features into new home construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim January 2015 as Radon Action Month in Michigan.


Rick Snyder
Governor

