

EPA Resources for Healthy Homes

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Indian General Assistance Program (GAP)

 Assist tribes and consortia in developing capacity to administer environmental protection programs

Region 10 FY20 NOFA just released!

- Tribes and consortia eligible for up to \$128,000
- Draft proposals due <u>January 31, 2019</u>
- Project Officers will negotiate to finalize submissions for grants.gov by May 24

Typical GAP Capacity Building Activities

- Conduct needs assessments, identify goals, develop plans
- Train staff and Council
- Conduct community environmental education and outreach
- Identify partners and collaborate with others
- Research and apply for other grants
- Solid and hazardous waste activities

Healthy Homes and GAP: How do I know if I can do it?

- 1. Is it related to developing tribal environmental capacity?
 - Conducting needs assessments, identifying goals, developing plans
 - Training staff and Council
 - Conducting community environmental education and outreach
 - Identifying partners and collaborating with others
 - Researching and applying for other grants

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2. Does it fit within the GAP Guidance requirements and Capacity Indicators?

http://www.epa.gov/tribal/GAP-guidance-final.pdf

- Capacity Indicators are examples of how a tribe may build capacity
- Each chapter of the Appendix to the GAP Guidance is organized by environmental topic: air, water, solid waste, etc.
- Each chapter contains lists of Cl's

Healthy Homes GAP Capacity Indicators

C.3.3 Staff has completed appropriate **Indoor air quality training** and acquired skills related to indoor air quality (e.g., **Healthy Homes training**)

C.3.9 Tribe has completed a **report analyzing air quality and radiation hazard issues impacting the tribe and evaluated air pollution control options** (identifies air pollution sources and known levels of emissions, defines potential human health and environmental impacts of current air quality, and provides recommendations for action).

C.3.10 Tribe has completed an indoor air quality assessment and report.

C.3.11 Tribe has established a radon program that **tests residential and other occupied structures for radon**, identifies those above the EPA action level, and conducts **outreach and education** in the community.

Healthy Homes GAP Capacity Indicators

C.3.12 Tribe has prepared a report recommending actions to improve indoor air quality and reduce levels for radon, mold, moisture, and environmental pollutants.

C.3.19 Tribe has established **community outreach/education programs**, including air quality advisory system (e.g. indoor air quality, radon, diesel emissions reduction, burn barrels, wood smoke, anti-idling, greenhouse gas and ozone-depleting substance reduction, climate change, and radiation hazards).

C.3.32 Tribe has established a program to conduct **indoor air quality outreach, education, and/or training for tribal government personnel and/or community members.**

Example Healthy Homes GAP Workplan Activities

- Identify and summarize community member concerns
 Seek technical assistance from EPA, ADEC, ANTHC, THHN, etc.
 Read, collect, and share information with families at and others at meetings, events, or at school on healthy homes,
- ☐ Share information in IGAP newsletter, send out fliers/brochures, hang posters, publicize during school activities, or during Clean Up/Green Up week
- Educate community using Air Matters/resident education toolkits

exposures, indoor air quality, etc.

Example Healthy Homes GAP Workplan Activities

- ☐ Collaborate with other tribal departments such as housing, transportation, clinic, etc.
- Conduct healthy homes assessments using the ANTHC Phase 1 Community Air Quality Assessment Tool, Healthy Homes Checklist, 7 Generations, etc.
- Determine common indoor environmental hazards and resources to address them
- ☐ Identify and apply for other grants for addressing air/housing issues

Healthy Homes and GAP: How do I know if I can do it?

- 3. Is air quality and/or healthy homes work a priority in the ETEP?
- 4. Are air quality and/or healthy homes activities included in the current GAP workplan? If not, do you have approval from your EPA Project Officer to begin this work?

Clean Air Act 103 Grants via ANTHC Mini-Grants

- For tribal air projects, funded on a first come, first served basis
- Application process:
 - Email the air program a description of your desired project
 - Included Tribal Organization name, your name, phone #
 - Include Tribal DUNS and Tax ID number
 - Complete Phase I Air Assessment
- No cost-share or match
- Contact <u>air@anthc.org</u>

State & Tribal Indoor Radon Grants (SIRG)

- For radon work including outreach, testing, and partnership building
- Match required
- Contact Jim McAuley for more information:
 Mcauley.Jim@epa.gov

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Grants (DERA)

- For tribal diesel projects, including retrofitting and/or replacing existing engines
- Cost-share varies by project technology
- Competitive nationally
- Contact Lucita Valiere for more information:

Valiere.Lucita@epa.gov

EPA Assistance to Tribes

- Help identifying how to get started on air work or further developing a project
- Example grant workplans to use in developing proposals
- ➤ GAP workplan review and technical assistance from the Region 10 Tribal Air Program

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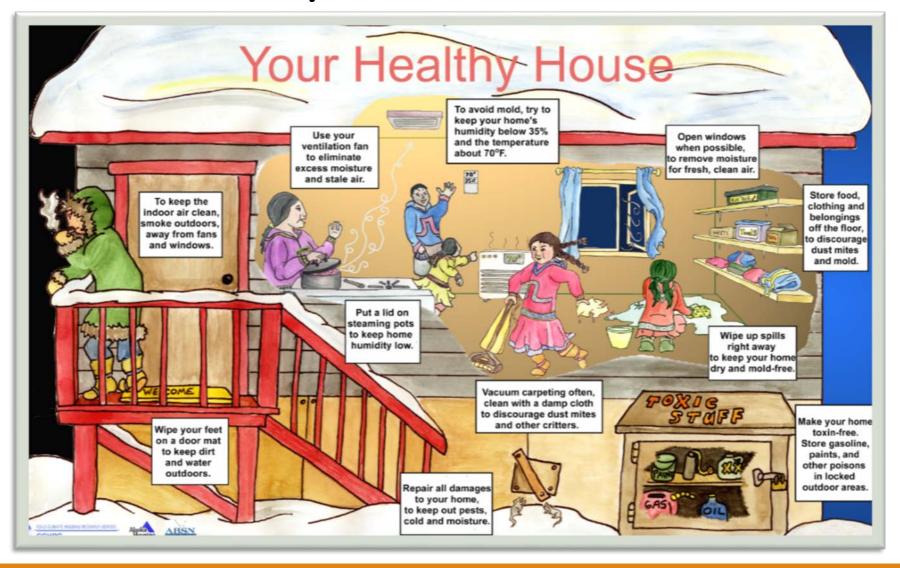
- Clean Air, Healthy Villages Video Series
- Alaska Native Village Air Quality Factsheets
- Topics include:
 - Indoor Air Quality
 - Wood Smoke
 - Solid Waste Burning
 - Road Dust
 - Diesel Emissions



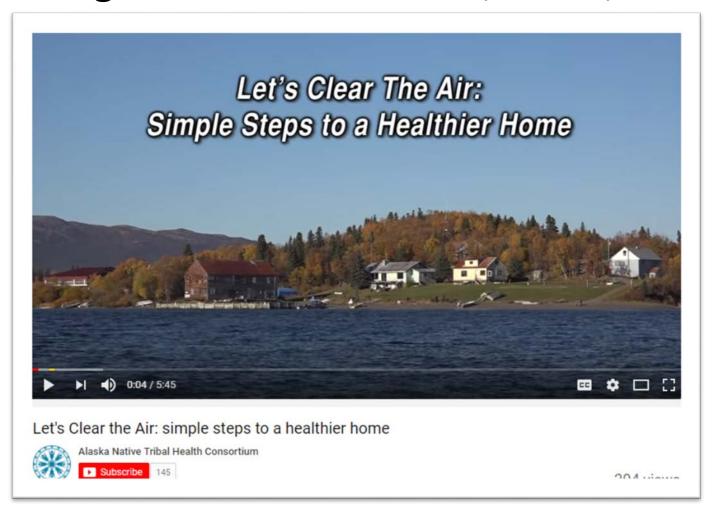
Indoor Air

https://www.epa.gov/tribal/alaska-tribal-air-toolkit

Alaska Healthy Homes Poster & Manual



Let's Clear the Air Video Series Aleknagik Traditional Council, BBNA, ANTHC



EPA-Funded Technical Assistance

- Tribal Healthy Homes Network http://thhnw.org/
- Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium http://anthc.org/what-we-do/community-environment-and-health/healthy-homes/
- Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/iaq/

Tribal Healthy Homes Network **Funding Guide**



http://thhnw.org/funding/

Questions?

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