

US EPA Region 7 and Headquarters Radon Updates

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Headquarters Updates:

Radon Benefit Cost Analysis

- ▶ This tool is designed to help quantify benefits of radon risk reduction programs.
- ▶ It was finalized at the end of 2025 and is available on the EPA's radon webpage:
<https://www.epa.gov/radon/radon-risks-and-solutions>.

State and Tribal Indoor Radon Grants (SIRG) utilization and Tribal set-aside:

The EPA continues to support programs aimed at risk reduction through the SIRG Program.

The EPA administers SIRG through the Regional offices.

Each EPA Region distributes SIRG funding to their States and Tribes using an application process.

In FY26, the radon grant program received \$9.13M - a small reduction from the FY25 funding levels.

Cooperative Agreements

- ▶ We currently have three cooperative agreements which are in their second of three years:
 - ▶ CRCPD - Provide coordinated assistance to states, Tribes and local governments implementing radon programs.
 - ▶ Kansas State University - Assist the public and professionals through the radon hotline/website, secondary chamber lab and professional trainings.
 - ▶ American Lung Association - Support the implementation of the National Radon Action Plan (NRAP)

Region 7 Updates

Outreach:

EPA Region 7 Social Media, Press Release, Podcast and Newsletter

HQ and the Regions Hosted: Highlighting the Outreach Successes of the State and Tribal Indoor Radon Grantees Webinar last April

- Recording is available to anyone who missed it <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w7Jz7PKWbDY>

Radon Test Kits and Radon information was handed out at the Kansas Natural Resource Conference

Library Table Session at KC Public Library

Medical Field Project with EFC Update

Our goals for the medical community are:

- For physicians to ask the question, “Have you tested your home for radon?”
- To educate patients prior to developing lung cancer by hanging posters in exam rooms and providing brochures to patients that ask for more information.
- To better inform physicians and medical staff about radon exposure.

The Environmental Finance Center at Wichita State University is helping to continue this work in the medical community in Kansas City

- This is a follow-up project for the Indoor Air Quality: Radon Action Month and Event Impact Follow-up project. This additional funding is supporting their deliverables that will increase radon actions and awareness to improve the health of those living in EPA Region 7 and reduce their risk of lung cancer.

EFC has developed short, animated video about radon that is now being played in doctors offices, health departments, and more.

- The purpose of the video is to continue and enhance the reach of the family and health focused posters and fliers that the EFC developed in previous projects.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OoB15jmBwgA&t=3s>

State and Tribal Indoor Radon Grant Program (SIRG)

- 3 Tribes received SIRG allocations this year: Prairie Band, Ponca and Sac and Fox Nation
- All 4 states will start a new 3-year grant cycle for FY27-FY30

EPA and National Radon Program Services present

Radon Outreach, Testing and Mitigation in Schools and Large Buildings Webinar

March 17, 1-2:30 p.m. EDT

Presentations and a Q&A panel
with State and Tribal experts

Register here:



shorturl.at/1k9PS

For more info visit:
sosradon.org/radon-in-schools





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