

Community Advisory Group (CAG) for the Omaha Lead Site

**Education Subcommittee
Summary Notes from October 11, 2005 Meeting
Douglas/Sarpy County Extension Office**

The following people were in attendance at the Education Subcommittee meeting:

Name	Affiliation
Sue Casteel	ATDSR
Brenda Council	CAG Facilitator
Connie Determan	MFG, Inc.
Patty Falcone	Douglas County Health Department
Nick Flattery	OneWorld Health Centers
Kathy Leinenkugel	Douglas County Health Department
Youlanda Outin	ATSDR (by phone)
Jennifer Rawley	MFG, Inc.
Che Thompson	Lead Safe Omaha Coalition
Vernon Waldren	Douglas/Sarpy County Extension

The Education Subcommittee began by discussing a draft contact information handout designed for distribution by EPA's soil removal contractors. Ms. Leinenkugel questioned whether or not a new handout was necessary. Ms. Leinenkugel stated that the Douglas County Health Department has handouts available in one-page and half-page formats. Subcommittee members suggested various revisions to the handout.

Mr. Waldren stated that it has been a frustration of the Subcommittee's that information, which is readily available, is not being distributed to the community. Ms. Leinenkugel stated that offers have been made several times to provide the information to EPA and its contractors. Ms. Leinenkugel stated that many residents are confused about who is working on their yards and do not know who to contact with questions.

Ms. Falcone asked who would print the new handouts. Ms. Waldren stated that EPA has been able to print materials in the past. Ms. Casteel stated that she could make the copies.

Mr. Waldren stated that the draft scope of work was presented to the CAG and sent to EPA and NDEQ for consideration. Mr. Waldren stated that the 501(c)(3) might receive funding for educational activities through EPA rather than through the State's cost share. Ms. Council stated that Mr. Felix of NDEQ had stated that it would not hurt to resubmit the scope of work for reconsideration.

Ms. Council provided an update on the Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee. Ms. Council stated that the Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee met to discuss and suggest board members for Omaha's Healthy Kids Alliance.

The Subcommittee discussed plans for National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. Ms. Leinenkugel stated that a ConAgra/UNMC health fair and the Minority Health Conference would be held during National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. Ms. Leinenkugel suggested that the CAG register for a booth at the Minority Health Conference. The Subcommittee agreed to register for a booth.

Mr. Waldren stated that the Douglas/Sarpy County Extension Office would draft a PSA to distribute to a local public relations firm. Mr. Waldren asked if the Subcommittee would like to draft a mayoral proclamation. The Subcommittee agreed to draft a mayoral proclamation.

Ms. Leinenkugel stated that Ms. Tracy Madden of Channel 6 would be doing a story on lead during National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week.

Ms. Determan suggested that the Subcommittee start to think about next year's National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. Ms. Leinenkugel suggested holding Lead Poisoning Prevention Week in the spring next year. The Subcommittee agreed to discuss next year's Lead Poisoning Prevention Week at the next Subcommittee meeting.

Mr. Waldren discussed Environmental Education grants available through the EPA. Mr. Waldren advised Subcommittee members to review the grants.

Mr. Waldren stated that the Douglas/Sarpy County Extension has been working with Habitat for Humanity and Holy Name. Ms. Thompson stated that Holy Name does not provide follow-up at their homes.

The next Education Subcommittee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. at the Douglas/Sarpy County Extension Office located at 8015 W. Center Road.