

Radon in Georgia

Georgia Radon Education Program

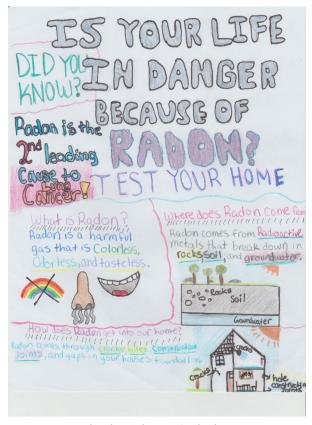
Newsletter and Outreach Report

October 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020

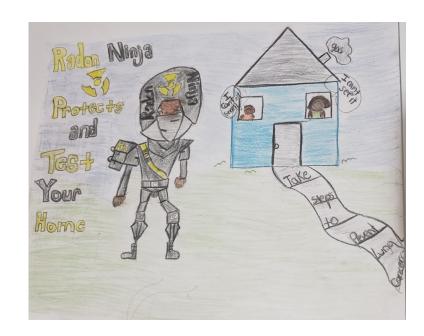
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Radon Poster Contest Winners Selected

The UGA Radon Program selected its winners for the 2020 Georgia Radon Poster Contest! The first place winner went on to enter the National Radon Poster Contest and took 3rd place in the nation. A huge congrats to this year's winners!



Makayla, Atlanta, 2nd Place



DaMarkus, Barnesville, 3rd Place



Sophia, Atlanta, 1st Place

Georgia Radon Educators at Work

Radon Program Gears Up for National Radon Action Month 2021

Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic the Program has encountered challenges conducting classes, the usual way we educate the public on radon. Virtual programming has helped bring awareness to Georgians while remaining safe. During National Radon Action Month, the program plans to incorporate many new ways to increase awareness.

With the help of county extension offices, the UGA Radon Program is continuing to offer its radon classes for homeowners online. Additionally, advertisements for the classes will be shared on social media. Additionally, local extension offices will help publish articles in local newspapers to raise awareness in the state.

The program is also conducting an ad campaign on social media to encourage testing during National Radon Action Month. This, along with a discount on radon test kits, should help encourage more Georgians to test their homes.

The Program requested proclamations from 14 Georgia counties (all zone 1 counties and the top 10 counties from the state map at radon.uga.edu) to make January "Georgia Radon Action Month".

Finally, the program is saving recordings of its webinars to share with viewers who are unable to attend live. This should help expand viewership and knowledge about radon risks in the state.

Do you want to host a radon webinar for your workplace, HOA, or club?

Reach out to the UGA Radon Program at:

UGARadon@uga.edu

Radon Outreach

Program Contacts & Media Impressions October through December 2020

	GA SIRG REPORT October-December 2020				
PROGRAM CONTACTS	Total				
Programs-Meetings	3				
Participants	57				
Materials Distributed	0				
Exhibits-Events	0				
Participants	0				
Materials Distributed	0				
OTHER CONTACTS	Total				
Total Contacts	83				
Medical Professionals	0				
Home Builders	3				
Realtors	5				
Consumer Contacts	75				
KIT USAGE DATA	Total				
Kits Distributed	278				
Results Received	168				
≥ 4.0 pCi/L	51				
< 4.0 pCi/L	87				
Incomplete	30				
% ≥ 4.0 pCi/L	37%				
Highest Level	16.2 pCi/L				
MITIGATION DATA	Total				
RRNC ²	17				
Mitigations ³	1,023				
Mitigation Referrals	51				
MEDIA IMPRESSIONS	Total				
Radio					
Listeners					
Television					
Viewers					
Newspaper ⁶					
Circulation					
Newsletter					
Distribution					
Local Web Hits ⁴					
GA SIRG Web Hits ⁵	2,954				
TOTAL IMPRESSIONS					

¹Other includes radon education/results of former educators & county FACS/4-H Agents.

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²Reported annually by Southface and building professionals

³Mitigation & RRNCs completed by Certified Mitigators are reported from 2018.

⁴Began tracking Jan 1, 2010

⁵Web hits for www.UGAradon.org are shared equally among the radon educators.

⁶As of 4/20/18 circulation numbers are reported in full

Radon Outreach

Program Contacts & Media Impressions Apr. 2003 through Sep. 2020

	April 2003 through December 2020										
PROGRAM CONTACTS	Hall	DeKalb	Gwinnett	Elbert	Walton	Southface	Other ¹	Totals			
Programs / Meetings	385	187	266	193	624	1,084	27	2,766			
Participants	11,976	4,335	15,112	3,866	23,080	17,946	2,099	78,414			
Materials Distributed	21,015	11,441	15,887	6,595	46,547	9,184	75	110,744			
Exhibits or Events ¹	686	86	175	63	175	67	31	1,283			
Participants	51,167	6,558	146,287	11,978	161,033	13,798	2,996	393,817			
Materials Distributed	107,583	8,947	50,145	8,057	26,470	1,296	1,346	203,844			
OTHER CONTACTS	Hall	DeKalb	Gwinnett	Elbert	Walton	Southface	Other	Totals			
Total Direct Contacts	9,858	1,385	1,216	475	5,507	12,268	52	29,952			
Medical professionals	603	51	242	56	905	0	24	1,881			
Home builders	398	29	43	45	378	10,082	0	10,975			
Realtors	811	93	85	25	209	836	28	2,087			
Consumer Contacts	8,046	1,212	846	349	4,015	1,350	0	15,818			
KIT USAGE DATA	Hall	DeKalb	Gwinnett	Elbert	Walton	Southface	Other	Totals			
Kits Distributed	16,501	4,275	7,895	2,893	12,183	5,192	4,600	53,539			
Test Results Received	8,296	1,622	2,477	1,354	6,309	1,060	849	21,967			
Highest Level	66.6	31.3	54.4	44.0	85.8	77.1	0.0	85.8			
MITIGATION DATA	Hall	DeKalb	Gwinnett	Elbert	Walton	Southface	Other	Totals			
Mitigation Referrals	2,583	249	361	91	751	412	0	4,447			
Mitigations ^{2,3,7}	8,522										
RRNC ³		1,497									
MEDIA IMPRESSIONS	Hall	DeKalb	Gwinnett	Elbert	Walton	Southface	Other	Totals			
Radio Outreach	123	11	8	4,278	137	1	2	4,560			
Listening Audience	5,087,027	3,670,000	10,000	4,020,000	2,693,000	2,000	377,000	15,859,027			
TV Outreach	140	75	713	8	279	2	437	1,654			
Viewing Audience	25,170,100	12,733,000	73,981,740	15,080	27,894,200	1,328,000	8,385,000	149,507,120			
Newspaper Outreach	120	4	19	13	102	0	6	264			
Circulation ⁶	3,292,036	3,223,000	1,304,817	154,800	3,545,449	0	69,500	11,589,602			
Newsletter Outreach	3	2	14	17	56	9	16	117			
Distribution	190,240	249	16,746	9,215	1,832,280	903,048	6,054	2,957,832			
Local Web Hits ⁵	1,126	1,044	20,600	0	12,000	0	0	34,770			
State Web Hits ⁶			107,686			51,296	0	158,982			
TOTAL IMPRESSIONS	33,762,066	19,648,830	75,355,440	4,220,632	35,998,466	2,284,344	8,837,554	178,953,423			
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⁷Mitigation data reflect installations during 2018 that were collected during this reporting period

Radon Resources & Contacts

Radon Hotline Numbers

National Hotlines

Kansas State University / EPA

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

National Hispanic Indoor Air Quality 1-800-725-8312

The Radon Fix It Line: (National Safety Program) 1-800-644-6999

Get live help for your radon questions 1-800-55RADON (557-2366)*

Radon Fix-It Hotline—General information on reducing radon levels 1-800-644-6999*

Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791

* Operated by Kansas State University in partnership with EPA

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