

Radon Test Kits for Rockaway Borough Residents

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ROCKAWAY BOROUGH ANNOUNCES FREE RADON TEST KITS

Rockaway Borough, NJ, -- Mayor Russell Greuter and the Rockaway Borough Health Department received a grant with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection(NJDEP) to bring awareness to residents regarding risks of radon. Residents have access to receiving a free radon test kit. **The kits are available at Rockaway Borough, Borough Hall, 1 East Main Street, Rockaway, NJ 07866 from the hours of 9 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Radon is an odorless and colorless gas that can cause lung cancer. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that radon is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers and is responsible for about 21,000 lung cancer deaths nationwide every year. Of the 4,700 annual lung cancer deaths in New Jersey each year, as many as 250 are due to radon.

Fortunately, testing for radon is simple and inexpensive. The DEP Radon Program can provide a list of certified companies that provide testing services.

If the test indicates a radon problem, radon mitigation systems can be installed at a cost similar to that of other home repairs. A list of certified mitigation companies is also available from the Radon Program.

For more information on radon or how to obtain a free test kit, contact **Rockaway Borough Health Department at 973-989-7050** or the DEP Radon Program at (800) 648-0394 or visit www.njradon.org