

# Environmental Public Health Tracking

#### USING EPHT DATA AND RESOURCES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

## Highlighting the Sources and Dangers of Carbon Monoxide

#### What was the problem/situation?

The number of accidental carbon monoxide (CO) hospitalizations and deaths is a problem in Missouri. Homes in Missouri often lack properly installed and maintained carbon monoxide detectors.

#### How was Tracking involved?

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (MDHSS) Environmental Public Health Tracking (EPHT) program recognized the gap in visual training aids for informing the public of the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning. The MDHSS EPHT program worked with their Office of Public Information and partnered with the Missouri Department of Public Safety's (DPS) Division of Fire Safety and developed a podcast and various 'quick tips' (video clips) highlighting potential sources of CO.

### What action was taken to resolve the problem?

As a result the podcast and 'quick tips' were then rolled into a playlist and published on the MDHSS website and You-Tube channel. The embed code was also shared with the DPS for publication on their website as well to reach the largest audience possible. The podcast and quick tips were also shared on the MDHSS's Facebook page as Public Service Announcements.



