

StopPests in Housing Program 2017 Report

The Northeastern IPM Center is leading a project titled *Promoting Integrated Pest Management in Affordable Housing* that will fulfill the objectives of the 2012 and 2016 interagency agreement between the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and USDA–National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). The StopPests in Housing Program addresses the objectives by improving pest control in affordable housing by teaching everyone who works and lives in housing how to use integrated pest management (IPM). We promote IPM by providing online resources and free IPM consulting and training to qualifying, federally subsidized properties. We reach our audience through our website, at conferences, in webinars, social media, and one-on-one coaching. Visit StopPests.org for more information.





A high rise apartment and neighbors: rat burrows next to the dumpster. StopPests consultants do a site vsit ahead of the training to see the conditions and individual issues at each housing site.



Bed bugs often spread when residents pick up discarded furniture. StopPests produced a poster template for sites to discourage this practice.



Stoppests Trainer, Michael Swoyer training in Madison,

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- StopPests staff and contractors delivered the *IPM in Multifamily Housing* training on-site with 20 participating housing providers with 398 attendees, including housing executives, property managers, maintenance staff, resident support staff, partner agencies and residents. These 19 housing providers represented 27,082 living units in the following communities: Topeka, KS; Sharon, PA; LaGrange, GE; Saginaw, MI; LongBeach, CA; Gila River Reservation, AZ; Colorado Springs, CO; SanAntonio, TX; Fort Collins, CO; Grand Junction, CO; Richmond, VA, Portsmouth, VA; Des Moines, IA; Madison, WI; Hartford, CT; Altoona, PA; Chambersburg, PA; Bar Harbor, ME; Providence, RI
- On March 2nd StopPests hosted a webinar "the ABC's of Pest Control: Allergens, Baits and Cockroaches viewed by 605. www.stoppests.org/ipmtraining/training-opportunities/
- StopPests provided technical advice and r response to 39 inquiries and requests from sites for assistance and training.
- StopPests representatives presented IPM recognition to the following audiences and complete NEHA, Michiagn Dept of Health, PSWR Michiagn NAHRO, Kansas Rural Develop Housing Association, NAHRO New Mexico, TTER Tribal Housing Training, EPA Tribal Pesticide Council,

StopPests trainer, Dr. Deborah Young, training partner Dr. Siavash Taravati (U of CA urban IPM specialist) finish Long Beach training with staff.