

Four Gas Monitor Program

On August 15th, 2016, Mike Biadasz was agitating a large outdoor manure pit on the family farm when he was fatally overcome by hydrogen sulfide gas. Mike's family established a gas monitor program to help prevent other families from enduring the same kind of tragedy.

On behalf of the Mike Biadasz Farm Safety and Education Memorial Fund, National Farm Medicine Center, and Marshfield Clinic Health System Auction of Champions, we will be providing a free, four gas monitor if three or more personnel from your department register and attend the Agriculture Rescue Training in October.

The meters supplied for the Agriculture Rescue Training program are intended to keep all of your personnel safe as well as the agricultural community that we hope will utilize them with your guidance.

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Your area needs to know about the program you are implementing and how you acquired the equipment – tell your story and why its important for everyone's safety.

- Train your personnel in the operation of the meter.
- Determine how the Ag community can reach your department to request your assistance with the meters. (Non-emergency phone numbers, individuals to contact, etc.)
- Your assistance is required to guide them on meter usage. This will also help get you some access to these facilities in your area that you normally do not inspect.
- Suggest additional involvement with your agency in helping them make their farm safer for their family and employees as well as for the F.D. if a response is ever required (RF-DASH is a perfect program to implement).

For registration and additional information on the Agriculture Rescue Training, visit www.agrescue.org.



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