

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.

Supported by the Mike Biadasz Farm Safety and Education Memorial Fund and the National Farm Medicine Center, the Agriculture Rescue Training program will provide your department with a FREE four gas monitor when you bring three department members of their department to the Agriculture Rescue Training event.

The meters supplied by the Agriculture Rescue Training program are intended to keep both first responders and agricultural community members safe. We hope that farmers and ranchers in your area 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 proper operation of the gas monitor.
- Determine how the agricultural 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 you build positive relations with this community. Laying the groundwork for future prevention efforts.
- Encourage local farmers/ranchers to utilize your department for advice about hazard mitigation or emergency pre-planning to increase the safety of their operation. (RF-DASH is a perfect program to implement).

