

→ **WA State Legislative Update:** <http://wliha.org/2013-bill-tracker>

→ **WA State Advocacy:** Urge Your Legislators to Match the House Operating Budget & the Governor's \$65 million HTF allocation.

Time is Running Out for Taking Action on the Budget!

And we can't end the session with a budget that harms our most vulnerable friends and neighbors.

Washington residents should have the opportunity to live in a safe, healthy, affordable home. But, if the Senate has their way, those opportunities could become much rarer. If passed, the Senate budget will enact deep cuts to every affordable housing and homelessness program we have. **Emergency shelters, youth shelters, domestic violence shelters, rent assistance, and more would be cut by 50%.**

The Housing and Essential Needs program would be cut by 57% and Aged, Blind & Disabled program would be eliminated. **The resulting impact would force thousands of disabled individuals onto the streets.** The Senate also allocated just \$35 million for the Housing Trust Fund, even though the need for affordable housing across the state is so much greater.

So, before it's too late, we must **urge our lawmakers to invest in homes for low-income families and individuals and also to protect services that help people meet their most basic needs.** **Please take action today by clicking on the web address below.** It will be quick and easy. Then ask five others to join you in taking action and send them the link to this page.

http://org.salsalabs.com/o/2685/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=13235

→ **Advocacy Letter for Housing Trust Fund:**
<http://www.affordablehousingconsortium.org/client/assets/files/04-2013%20WLIHA%20Advocacy%20Letter.pdf>

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AHC Training: Healthy
Homes May 28, 29**



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Integrated Pest Management (IPM) & Indoor Environmental Quality Course

May 28-29, 2013

Catholic Community Services

1323 South Yakima Avenue ♦ Tacoma, WA 98405

This 1.5 day course will help you implement a comprehensive integrated pest management program to effectively eliminate pests and rodents from multi-family housing. In addition, the course will provide an overview of some of the most common hazards that impact our indoor air quality, including mold, chemicals, and dust.

According to the EPA, we spend 90% of our time indoors and our indoor air can be up to 5 times more polluted than outdoor air. Register now for this course to learn how you can create healthier home environments.

Registration Instructions: Please email, mail or fax the registration to Connie Brown at the Tacoma/Pierce County Affordable Housing Consortium.

Fee: \$50 per person (includes food and materials)

Mailing Address:

ATTN: Connie Brown, Tacoma/Pierce County Affordable Housing Consortium, 1323 S Yakima Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98405

Fax: 253.627.2160

Email: connie@tpcahc.org

When your registration form is received, you will receive a confirmation via e-mail.

Instructors: [Chuck Treser](#), University of Washington

[Aileen Gagney](#), American Lung Association

Who Should Attend?

- Property Owners
- Property Management
- Maintenance
- Resident Services
- Community-Based Organizations
- Environmental Health Professionals
- Residents
- Pest Control Operators
- Housing Inspectors
- Public Health Professionals

Course Goals

- Understand health effects of household contaminants.
- Learn how to implement integrated pest management.
- Identify resources to solve problems.
- Learn techniques to reduce resident exposures.
- Identify potential violations of law, policy or contract and report it to proper person at housing owner organization.

REGISTRATION

➔ Send to Connie Brown - connie@tpcahc.org

Organization: _____

Name of Participant: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Payment

➔ Send check to TPCAHC, 1323 S Yakima Ave, Tacoma WA 98405