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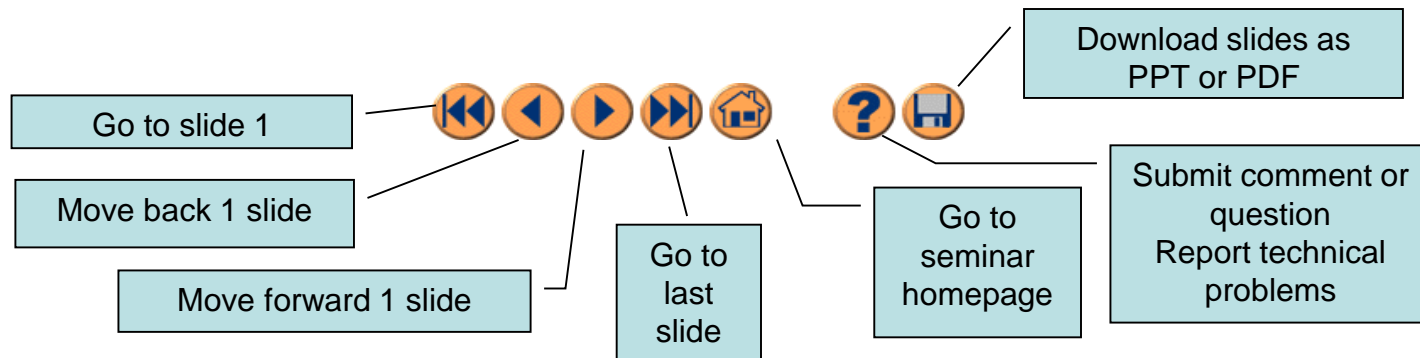
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Pollution Prevention Through Community Participation

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Pollution Prevention (P₂)

- Reducing or eliminating waste at source:
 - Modifying production processes
 - Promoting non-toxic or less-toxic substances
 - Implementing conservation techniques
 - Re-using materials

(U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)



Background

- Occupational disease eighth leading cause of death.
- Working conditions more hazardous and located in minority communities.
- Small businesses tend to employ minorities.



Background

- Small businesses utilize hazardous substances like larger businesses.
- Health and safety interventions do not reach all workers.
- Exposures mitigated in the work place decrease exposures in the communities.



Common Substances Used in Small Businesses

Industry	Substance
Auto Maintenance and Repair Auto Paint and Body	Toluene, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons* , benzene* , asbestos* , metals* , isocyanates* , methylene chloride**
Hair and Nail Salons	Formalin* , titanium dioxide* , di- <i>n</i> -butyl phthalate**, ethyl methacrylate***, hydroquinone***, sodium hydroxide***
Printing	Xylenes***, acetone***, tetrachloroethylene**, chromium* , methyl ethyl ketone* , carbon tetrachloride**
Woodworking	Isocyanates* , wood dust* , xylenes***, dichloromethane**, methanol***, arsenic*
Dry Cleaning	Tetrachloroethylene**, propylene glycol***, carbon tetrachloride**, stoddard solvent***, siloxane D5**, liquid carbon dioxide***

***Known Carcinogen**; **Probable Carcinogen; ***Carcinogenicity not classified

How Did This Project Begin?

- *Promotora*-initiated project.
- During *promotora* home visits issue was identified.
- Chemical odors and locations documented using GPS.





PROJECT AIMS

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1. Establish a *promotora* P2 training program.
2. Conduct 900 small business visits with measurable outcomes.
3. Provide 8 industry specific workshops.
4. Create P2 community leaders.

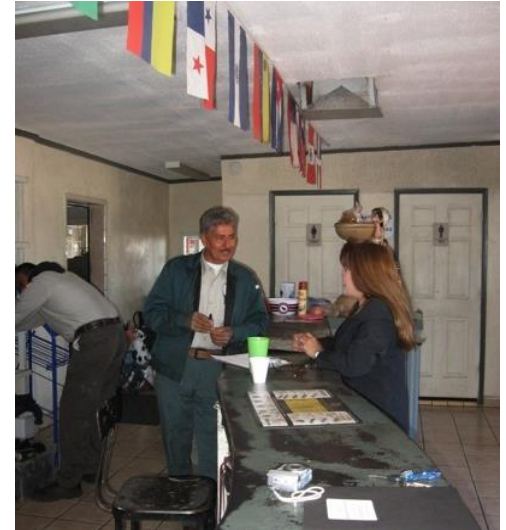


Project Partners



Targeted Small Businesses

- Auto Maintenance and Repair
- Auto Paint and Body
- Nail Salons
- Beauty and Hair Salons
- Printing
- Woodworking
- Dry Cleaning





PROJECT OUTCOMES

Aim 1: P2 Training Program

Preliminary steps:

- Researched P2 business opportunities (e.g. existing programs).
- Met with industry leaders and associations to discuss best practices.



Aim 1: P2 Training Program

- Training Themes:
 - Environmental exposure
 - Air quality
 - Water conservation
 - Industry solvents
 - Green printing
 - Auto repair and maintenance
 - Dry cleaning
 - Woodworking



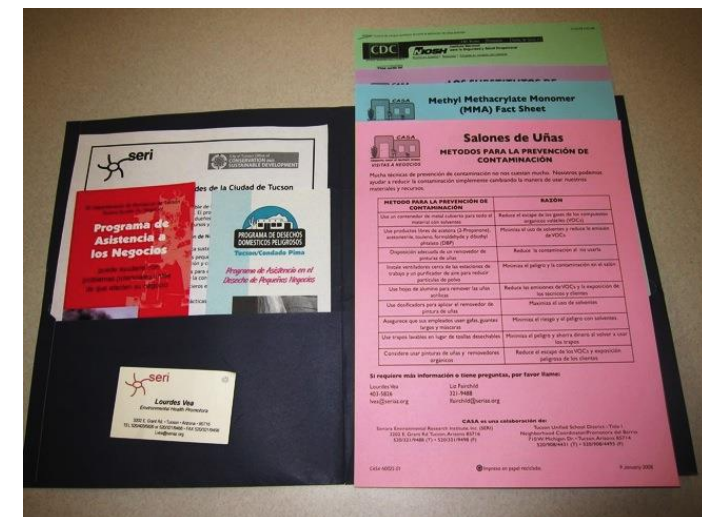
Aim 2: Small Business Visits

- 682 initial small business visits.
- 388 follow-up visits and 105 phone calls.



Aim 2: Small Business Visits

- Distributed P2 packets at initial visits.
- Small business P2 surveys business visits.
- Monitored volatile organic compound levels.



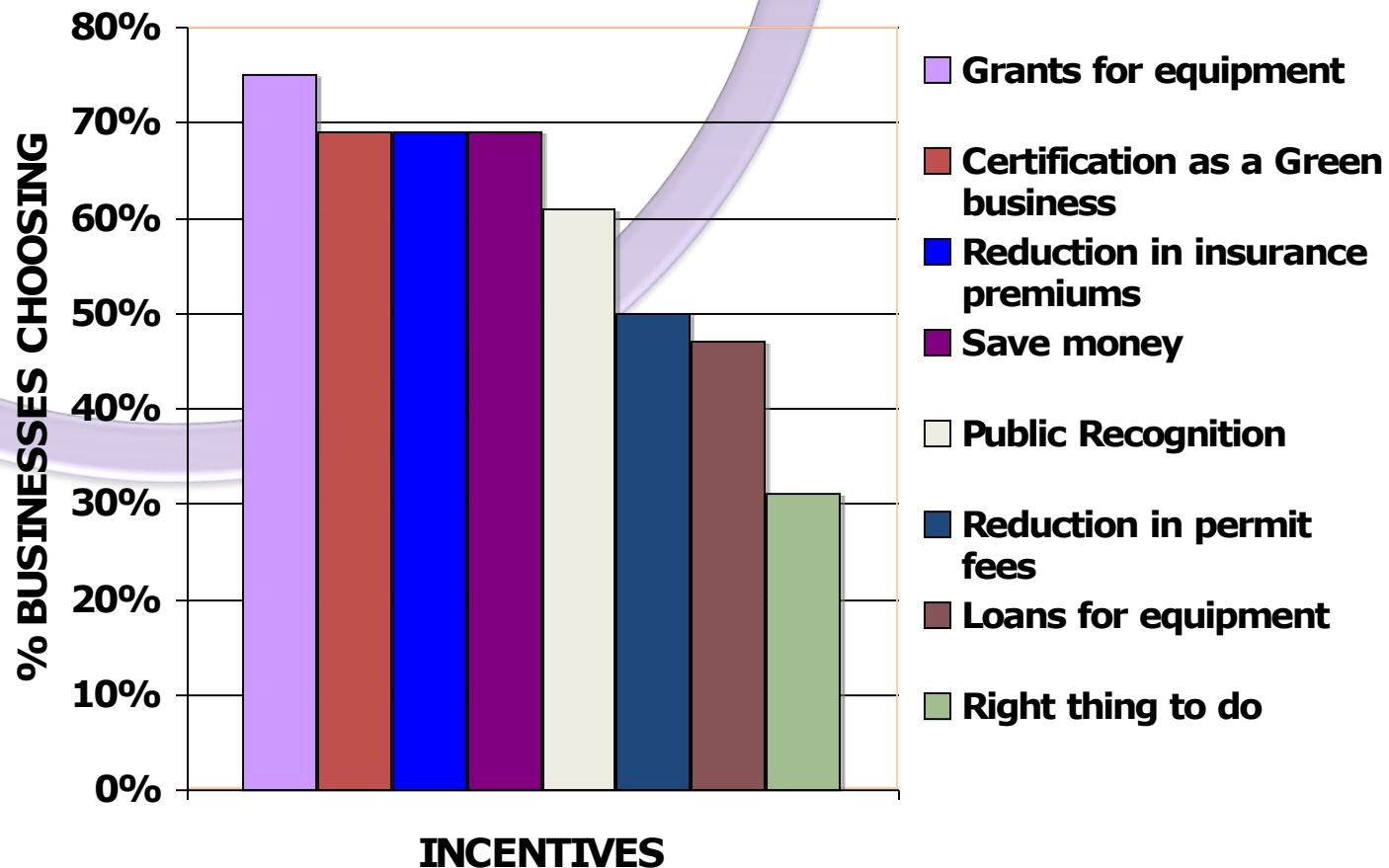
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- 84 nail salons reported they switched to non-acetone remover:
 - Emissions reduced ~36,000 lb/yr.
- 238 auto repair shops reported they covered degreaser canisters:
 - Emissions reduced ~24,000 lb/yr.
- 11 hair salons reported they switched to ammonia-free hair dye.



Aim 2: Small Business Visits

**Preferred Incentives for Implementing P2 Measures
(N=535)**



Aim 3: Industry-Specific Workshops

- 11 specialized and mini workshops.
- 175 attendees.
- Fostered new business partnerships.
- Provided quick-and-easy best practices leading to implementation.



Aim 4: Creating Community Leaders

Example 1:

- Provided customers greener options.
- Tested “green” degreasers.
- Recycled used metal and automotive oil.
- Used sawdust to clean up oil spills.

Jorge's Auto Repair



Aim 4: Creating Community Leaders

Example 2:

- Installed ventilation system.
- Provided customers with less-toxic hair care options.
- Eliminated acrylic nail services.
- Participated in P2 business trainings.

Extreme Hair Salon



Aim 4: Creating Community Leaders

Example 3:

- Provided P2 trainings to auto repair businesses.
- Purchased a “green” part cleaner (sand and vapor).

McElroy's Automotive



Aim 4: Creating Community Leaders

Example 4:

- Replaced toxic hair products in salon.
- Provided customers with less toxic hair care options.
- Eliminated permanent hair wave service.
- Participated in P2 business trainings.

Karina's Home Hair Salon



Aim 4: Creating Community Leaders

Example 5:

- Implemented paint room to decrease fumes.
- Created paint mixing room.
- Switched to water-based automotive paint.

C & H Paint and Body



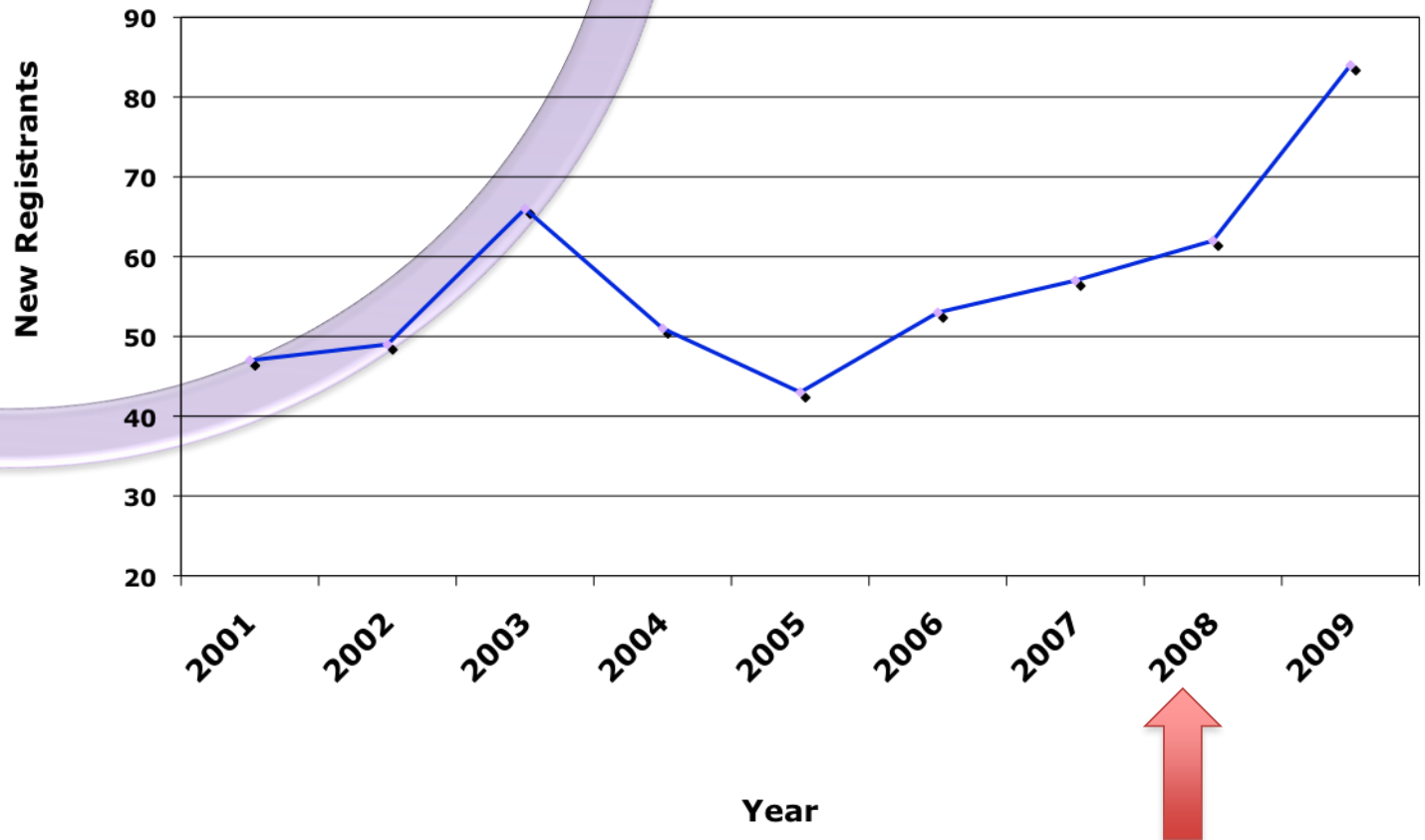
Conclusions

- Overcame barriers reaching minority small businesses not usually accessed.
- Accomplished behavioral changes in small businesses.



Conclusions

New Registrants by Year for City/County Small Business Waste Acceptance Program



Conclusions

- Community members are effective conduits of P2 education.
- Voluntary P2 approaches based on trust and dialogue are successful.
- Decrease exposure, decrease health effects.



Thank You!

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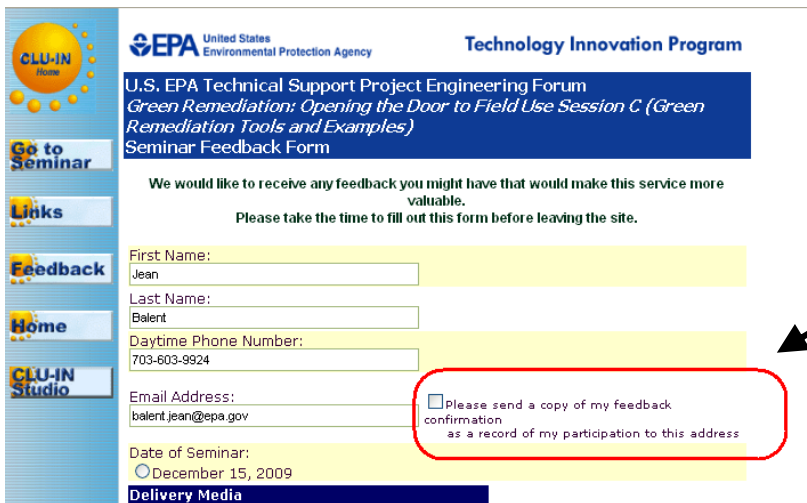
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