

I'm Anna Hoover, and this is the EnviroMinute.

The University of Kentucky is one of fifteen universities currently tackling important environmental health issues through the National Institute of Environmental Health Science's Superfund Basic Research Program, or SBRP.

UK-SBRP research focuses on toxic environmental pollutants and on how nutrition can reduce the negative effects of these chemicals on human health. University scientists also are exploring better ways to detect, monitor, and minimize these pollutants in the environment.

The UK-SBRP Community Outreach Core provides support and guidance for individuals and communities affected by environmental contaminants. Superfund Community Action through Nutrition (or SCAN) Programs have been held across the Commonwealth and have ranged from overviews of the Superfund program to the health benefits of proper nutrition.

Working closely with the Community Outreach Core, the Research Translation Core helps ensure the timely dissemination of research outcomes to the people who need to know about them – whether those people be healthcare workers, government officials, or individuals who have been exposed to Superfund chemicals.

To learn more about UK-SBRP, visit www.uky.edu/Research/Superfund, or call me, Anna Goodman Hoover, at 859-257-8637.

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