



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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St. Joseph County Department of Health

"To promote health and wellness with compassion and integrity through partnerships, education, protection, and advocacy for all who reside in and visit St. Joseph County"

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Halloween Spectacular and Lead Testing Fair

With Lead Poisoning Prevention Week taking place October 20-26 and Halloween right around the corner, the St. Joseph County Department of Health is hosting two (2) Halloween and Lead Testing events. The Department of Health, Anthem, La Casa de Amistad, Indiana Health Centers, CareSource, United Way of St. Joseph County, South Bend Venues, Parks, and Arts, and the Indiana Dinosaur Museum are working together to bring local children resources, education, and Halloween treats while fostering a safe and positive Halloween experience.

These events aim to provide information on lead poisoning prevention in St. Joseph County and to screen children six (6) and under for lead. We know lead is a unique challenge our community faces, as most of the housing was built before lead was removed from paint by law in 1978. Lead can cause irreversible health issues for children, both physically and cognitively. Lead is a neurotoxin, and no amount of lead is safe. The only way to know if lead is in the body is to conduct lead screenings.

In addition to lead testing, we will have fun games for the kids, face painting, balloon art, and free haircuts available. Children (6 and under) who get tested for lead will be entered to win one of two grand prizes: free tickets to the Indiana Dinosaur Museum or tickets to ice skating at Howard Park. Since this is a Halloween event, attendees and vendors are encouraged to wear costumes.

The first event will be held at OneRoof Southeast on Monday, October 21, 2024, from 3-7 p.m. The second event will be at the Charles Black Center on Thursday, October 24, 2024, from 3-7 p.m.

OneRoof Southeast address: 405 E Dubail Ave, South Bend, IN 46613

Charles Black Center address: 3419 W Washington St, South Bend, IN 46619

If you have any questions, please contact Matt Gotsch, communication and events coordinator for the St. Joseph County Department of Health, at the number at the top or by email at mjgotsch@sjcindiana.com

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Lead testing doesn't have to be

SPOOKY

Monday, Oct. 21 | 3 - 7 p.m.

One Roof Southeast
405 E Dubail Ave,
South Bend, IN 46613

Thursday, Oct. 24 | 3 - 7 p.m.

Charles Black Center
3419 W Washington St,
South Bend, IN 46619

- Halloween Games + Prizes
- Face Painting + Balloon Art
- Free Haircuts
- Costumes encouraged
- Get lead tested to enter to win the Grand Prize!!!

Grand Prizes: free Indiana Dinosaur Museum tickets OR Ice Skating at Howard Park



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LA CASA
DE AMISTAD



INDIANA DINOSAUR MUSEUM



INDIANA HEALTH CENTERS



United Way
of St. Joseph County



Las pruebas de plomo no tienen por qué dar

MIEDO

Lunes 21 de octubre | 3 - 7 p.m.

One Roof Southeast
405 E Dubail Ave,
South Bend, IN 46613

Jueves 24 de octubre | 3 - 7 p.m.

Charles Black Center
3419 W Washington St,
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- Juegos de Halloween + premios
- Pintura facial + Arte con globos
- Corte de pelo gratis
- Se aceptan disfraces
- ¡Hazte una prueba de detección de plomo para participar y ganar el gran premio!

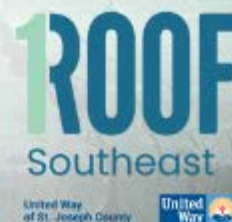
Premio Grande: Entrada gratuita al Museo de Dinosaurios de Indiana o patinaje sobre hielo en Howard Park



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