

<u>FREE</u> soil testing for heavy metals for residents of Lafayette, LA

healthier soil = healthier communities



1.TEST

We are collecting soil samples from residents of Lafayette, LA to test for levels of heavy metals like Arsenic and Lead.

> Possible sources: Legacy deposits from gas, paints, pesticides, industry

2. DIAGNOSE

It's important to test your soils because heavy metals can be **dangerous**.

Children are most vulnerable to the harms of contaminated soil.

No level of lead exposure is safe for children.



Visit **CDC.gov** to learn more about childhood lead poisoning.



3. TREAT

What if your soil is contaminated?

- a. Add compost to your soil
- b. Consider raised bed gardening
- c. Cover bare ground with plants or grass

REDUCE LEAD EXPOSURE

- Take off shoes entering your house
- Don't let children play in bare soil
- Don't grow fruits or vegetables in contaminated soil
- Wash produce thoroughly



CONTACT US!

Bring your samples to the drop box on ULL's campus

Hamilton Hall Room 219 611 McKinley St Lafayette, LA 70704 Mail your samples to the lab

Delta Urban Soils Lab 611 McKinley St Hamilton Hall #330 Lafayette, LA 70504 Make an appointment

We will come sample your property, or pick up your samples at no cost.

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We will have a collection table at upcoming events in Lafayette. Check our Facebook page to stay updated!



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