In Seattle, the Poison Control Center receives over 11,000 calls per year reporting incidents of products spilled or swallowed by children under six years old.

Fly sprays, flea bombs, ant and roach killers, rat and mouse poisons are used in or around 91 percent of American households.

The replacement of hazardous cleaning products with safer cleaning products, like baking soda and vinegar, is simple and cheaper. In fact, you may already have these safer cleaners in your kitchen.

Eighty percent of people’s exposure to pesticides occurs indoors.

DID YOU KNOW?

LOVE YOUR MOTHER? AND YOUR FAMILY?

THEN HAVE A HEALTHY HOME...

...AND MOTHER EARTH
**Children** absorb a greater proportion of many substances through the intestinal tract or **lung** than adults do. For example, children take up approximately half the **chemicals** they **swallow** while adults absorb only one-tenth.

Many **cleaning** supplies look just the same as **juice**.

Mixing two **cleaners** of different kinds together, especially one containing **ammonia** and the other **chlorine**, can produce a **poisonous gas** that can be fatal if inhaled.

**Air pollution** in the home ranges from two to five times **greater** than outside.

**TRUE!**

**Love your family? then have a healthy home!**

**Read** the label **before** you buy and before you use a product.

**Choose** products that say “**caution**” or “**warning**” instead of “danger” or “poison” or, better yet, choose products that don’t have these words.

Make sure any hazardous products are kept in a place where children **cannot** get to them.

**TRUE!**

**RESOURCES**

**WEB**

Hazardous products information for King County
www.govlink.org/hazwaste

King County Department of Natural Resources
kingcounty.gov/dnrp

Environmental Protection Agency
www.epa.gov/pesticides/kids
www.epa.gov/students

Garden Hotline
help@gardenhotline.org

**PHONE**

Household Hazards Line
206-296-4692 or 1-888-ToxicEd

Poison control center
1-800-222-1222

Alternative Formats On Request
206-296-4466 | TTY Relay: 711
1-800-325-6165 ext. 6-4466