



**BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE**  
**Environmental Management Office**  
in collaboration with the  
**Community Development Department**



What is odorless, colorless and can kill you?

# Carbon Monoxide

## Where does it come from?

- \* Burning fuel
- \* Any gas- or kerosene-fired appliance that is not working properly
  - ▶ stoves, furnaces, and hot water heaters
- \* Improperly installed or malfunctioning wood stoves
- \* Motor vehicles and generators

## What can you do to protect yourself?

- \* Make sure your appliances are properly installed and in good working order
- \* Clean your chimney once a year
- \* Never use a gas range, oven or dryer for heating
- \* Never operate an un-vented gas burning appliance in a closed room or when you are sleeping
- \* Never leave your car running in the garage or car port
- \* Operate generators and other gas-powered equipment outdoors and away from open windows and doors

## What are some clues that you may have a carbon monoxide problem?

- \* Rusting, water streaking on vents or chimney
- \* Loose or missing furnace panels
- \* Sooting on vents and/or smoke inside the home from your wood stove
- \* Loose or disconnected vents or chimney

## What should you do?

- \* If you suspect that you may have a malfunctioning gas appliance or wood stove
  - ▶ Contact the Air Quality Specialist
  - ▶ **873 7845** or stop by the Environmental Management Office

## What can the Tribe's Environmental Management Office do to help you?

- \* Monitors and alarms are available and can be installed in your home for 24 hours to evaluate carbon monoxide levels
  - ▶ The alarm will warn you if levels are unsafe.
  - ▶ The monitor will help us detect lower levels that may be a problem.
- \* If a problem is detected, EMO will advise the Community Development Department who may be able to provide additional assistance.