

# Healthy Futures Research Study

*For Residents of East Palestine  
and Surrounding Communities*

## Who we are:

We are a team of researchers at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio led by Dr. Fred Schumacher, invested in building relationships with East Palestine and surrounding community residents to discern the long-term health impact of the train derailment.

## What we do:

We are interested in studying the biological impacts of chemical exposures on the short- and long-term health of residents by measuring DNA damage which may increase the risk of developing chronic health conditions such as cancer, metabolic, and autoimmune diseases. We will also conduct in-person interviews to better understand post-disaster quality of life, risk perceptions, and healthcare needs.

## Who can participate:

Residents of Columbiana County, OH; Mahoning County, OH; Beaver County, PA; and Lawrence County, PA 18 years of age and older are eligible to participate. We encourage both individuals who did and did not experience health symptoms to complete our screener.

## What does participation look like?

Willing and eligible participants are asked to complete a 15-minute survey, and if they so choose, provide samples of saliva, nails, hair, and/or blood for additional compensation.

## What will participants receive?

Participants will receive \$25 for completion of the survey and up to an additional \$90 for providing biosamples, resulting in a potential incentive of \$115. Participants will also be automatically sent periodic updates of study progress and findings.

**To participate visit:**

**[healthyfuturesresearch.org/screener](https://healthyfuturesresearch.org/screener)**

**Have Questions? Want to learn more?**

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