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CITIES UNITED FOR SCIENCE PROGRESS (CUSP) ANNOUNCES THE WINNERS OF THE 2006 LEAD-SAFE...FOR KIDS SAKE GRANT PROGRAM

***Racine, WI Wins First Place Award of \$175,000;
Second Place Winners Columbus, OH and Baltimore, MD with \$100,000***

Las Vegas, NV — Today, Cities United for Science Progress, a partnership between The U.S. Conference of Mayors and DuPont, announced the winners of the 2006 “Lead-Safe for Kids Sake” grant program. The first place Award for Excellence in the amount of \$175,000 was given to Racine, WI. The two second-place Awards of \$100,000 for distinction were given to Columbus, OH and Baltimore, MD. The three grants, totaling \$375,000, were announced during The U.S. Conference of Mayor's 74th Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV.

The “Lead-Safe...For Kid's Sake” grants are awarded to cities for their efforts in proposing and/or demonstrating excellence in implementing effective solutions to make their communities lead-safe. Since its inception in 2002, DuPont, through CUSP, has awarded USCM member cities \$3 million to help make America's cities lead-safe. The 2006 award-winning cities represent the very best and most innovative ideas that help make the nation's communities lead-safe.

“As President of the USCM, I am delighted to stand with our partner, DuPont, in recognizing excellence and distinction in America's cities,” said Long Beach, CA Mayor Beverly O'Neill. “Thanks to these generous grants from DuPont, children across the country will be healthier, stronger and have better futures. We hope that mayors in these award-winning cities serve as an example for other cities, and that these creative programs can be duplicated.”

USCM Executive Director, J. Thomas Cochran added, “We thank DuPont for joining with us to make our cities lead-safe. Public-private partnerships, such as CUSP, are critical to making our cities the strong and vibrant places they can be. DuPont and The U.S. Conference of Mayors are proud of the award-winning cities and look forward to following their example as they develop and maintain lead-safe programs in their communities.”

CUSP visits cities across the country to assist mayors in creating healthier, safer and economically vibrant cities through science-based solutions. “We at DuPont are honored to present the 'Lead-Safe...For Kid's Sake' Grant Program,” remarked Mary Kate Campbell, DuPont's Public Affairs Manager. “These award winning cities exemplify the type of innovative thinking that is necessary to make our cities lead-safe and to ensure a brighter tomorrow for our children. I also commend all of the best practice winners, which are the incubators of new thinking that will help us combat childhood lead poisoning.”

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