The following is a state-by-state breakdown of the funding announced today:

**ALABAMA**

The City of Birmingham will be awarded $2,998,957 in federal funds to produce 250 lead safe rental units, through its Department of Community Development, inside of four impoverished areas of the city. Plus the City of Birmingham will target 25 units of owner-occupied housing with EBL children present. The 275 treated homes will protect an estimated 460 children from lead hazard conditions. The central strategy for the plan is to transform Birmingham’s complaint-driven code enforcement process into a proactive target-based approach for code compliance in rental units within strictly defined geographic areas. Also, the program will provide education and outreach to all tenant families. The city of Birmingham will provide $776,535 in local matching funds. Contact: James Fenstermaker, Mayor (205) 254-2475.

**ARIZONA**

The Southwest Fair Housing Council in Phoenix has been awarded $496,171. The Southwest Fair Housing Council’s Lead Poisoning Awareness and Prevention Outreach Project is a collaborative among three organizations, including Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Maricopa County ACORN. Together they will implement the hiring of additional workers from within the targeted community, with a focus on hiring from within the constituency of grassroots organizations serving their targeted neighborhoods. Among the zip codes that comprise the project’s target area in Central and South Phoenix, 88 percent of the households are below 80 percent of the area median income. The majority of targeted family households earns less than $10,000 and has the highest rates of lead poisoning for children 0-5 years of age. This program will directly reach 20,000 households, provide lead poisoning prevention training and leadership development around lead hazards and tenant issues to 1,000 individuals and enroll 50-100 units per year in lead hazard control programs. Contact: Richard Rhey (602) 252-3423.

**CALIFORNIA**

The City of Long Beach will be awarded $3,000,000 in renewal funding to conduct lead hazard control work in low-income housing. The continued effort of the Long Beach Program will provide lead safe work practices training, encapsulate paint, respirators and allied supplies to property owner contractors and their work crews who will be trained to provide paint stabilization services for their enrolled property to benefit the proposed project by decreasing overall costs for lead hazard control and provide additional community training to property owners and their work crews who are expected to replicate their new skills and training on property maintenance in the future; and provide the availability of five HEPA vacuums to local residents concerned about lead dust contamination at their residence due to rehabilitation work being performed by general contractors, and expand the lead hazard control activities in the community. Long Beach will continue to coordinate with a number of local organizations to provide property referral, lead hazard control, rehabilitation, and workforce development, outreach and education, community training, and temporary relocation. The targeted efforts area will be the entire City of Long Beach with efforts focused on the high need area in census tracts 5730, 5732.02, 5753, 5754, 5759, and 5763 located on the southwest section of Long Beach. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 400 privately owned housing units. The City of Long Beach has committed $1,353,922 of in-kind matching funds. Contact: Ronald Arias (562) 570-4016.
The City of Long Beach will also be awarded $923,132 under the Healthy Homes Demonstration grant to support the development, implementation and evaluation of education, training and community capacity building. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and other program partners will provide an in-kind match of $248,089 to further enhance federal funds. DHHS has a wealth of community alliances, including key partnerships with Long Beach Unified School District, Partnership for the Public’s Health, Women in Nontraditional Employment Roles, Long Beach Housing Development Company, DHHS Housing Program, Long Beach Public Works and Indivision Productions. Other important partnerships include the Long Beach Board of Health, Apartment Association of California, Centro Cha, Central Area Association, United Cambodian Association for America, Families in Good Health, and Southern California Public Health Association. DHHS will also partner with City of Long Beach Department of Community Development’s NIS and Workforce Development Bureaus, Energy Department, and DHHS Bureaus of Public Health and Support Services. The LBHHD will provide targeted services in CT 5764.03, a CDBG eligible area, as follows: 1) Accelerated delivery of routine housing inspection with integrated pest management for 270-330 housing units in the targeted CT. Families with children 18 and under (645 of 1,572 housing units targeted in the CT) will receive priority for selection and participation in the LBHHD program; 2) Coordinate with the Energy Department to provide inspection of gas appliances in the targeted housing units; 3) Provide intensive door-to-door outreach and education in the same Census Tract. Contact: Ronald R. Arias (562) 570-4016.

The City of Pomona will be awarded $2,992,695. The City of Pomona’s goal is to reduce the incidence of childhood lead poisoning, educate families, effectively mitigate housing with lead hazards, and provide employment opportunities for low to very low-income residents. Lead Hazard Control will be performed on 500 housing units. Based on the City’s owner occupant and rental property ratios, 271 owner occupied, 222 rental and 7 vacant family units will receive lead mitigation. The target area comprises nine (9) federal census tracts 4022 to 4030 and more than 60 percent of the housing was built prior to 1978. The housing stock is characterized by 57 percent owner-occupied and 43 percent renter-occupied units. Families with children under the age of six represent 10 percent of the populace and 27 percent of these families live below poverty level. 500 units will undergo lead hazard control over the 42-month grant period. Based on the city’s owner occupant/rental property ratios the program will address lead hazards in 271 owner occupied properties, 222 rental properties, and 7 vacant homes. The city will initially utilize the existing substantial rehab loan program waiting 120 homeowners, and the over 800 Section 8 vouchers to identify program participants. Partners include HomeSafe Environmental, Pomona Ministry of Economics, Los Angeles Department of Health Services, Molina Healthcare Clinic, La voz Newspaper, Boy Scouts of America, Inland Valley Volunteer & Resource Center, HOME Housing Rehabilitation Programs. The city of Pomona will provide $1,937,333 in local matching funds. Contact: Douglas Dunlap, City Manager (909) 620-2051.
The County of Riverside Community Health Agency will receive a $1 million grant to focus on communities in need of interventions to remove household hazards and eradicate the presence of childhood illnesses caused by these hazards. The grant will improve the health and home environment of the children and families residing in the target area by mobilizing public and private resources to develop cost effective means for identifying and controlling household hazards. The grant money will provide for outreach and education for the residents and landlords, preventive measures to correct multiple safety and health hazards in the home that result in childhood illness and injury, and a database tracking system that will assist program staff in analyzing the nature of the illnesses associated with these hazards. The effort is being undertaken in response to the County’s Consolidated Plan. The target area, comprised of 66 census tracts located within Riverside County, has been identified as an “at risk” area because of the age and condition of the homes located within it. Many of the residents in the target area are classified as low income, minority families. Collaborative relationships will allow the grant recipient to provide the target area with a wider range of resources. Partners committed to this grant include the Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc., the County of Riverside Economic Development Agency, the Cities of Banning, San Jacinto and Hemet, and the Riverside Regional Medical Center. Resources to be provided by these partners include code enforcement, housing, medical and social services. Contact: Steven T. Uhlman (951) 358-5050.

The State of California will be awarded $3,000,000. The Lead Hazard Control Program (LHCP) is designed to work in conjunction with the federally funded Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) weatherization component, Department of Energy Assistance Program and with local health agencies and affordable housing programs such as CDBG, HOME and Cal HOME. CSD proposes to partner with five CBO’s from its network who are committed to providing lead hazard control services within seven counties: Humboldt, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Bernardino, Santa Clara, Sutter and Yuba (target area). The target area was selected based on the confirmed need for services considering that 37 percent of children with elevated blood levels reside in the target area. 45 percent of California’s pre-1978 housing units are located in the target area, and 26.9 percent of the target area’s population is under 80 percent of the area median income. California will provide $579,912 in local matching funds. Contact: Timothy Dayonot (916) 341-4300.

The City and County of San Francisco will be awarded $3,000,000. The Mayors Office of Housing (MOH) will partner with other city/county agencies, parent groups, grassroots organizations, faith-based initiatives, community development corporations, minority small business owners and for-profit corporations to undertake the eligible required program activities. The City and County of San Francisco estimates that under the Lead Hazard Control Grant Program, it will address 115 owner occupied and rental occupied units and 35 vacant units for rental with lead hazard control and remediation services. The program’s target jurisdiction will be the various low-income districts of San Francisco with a high percentage of rental units and low availability of affordable housing. It is estimated that 394 children will be assisted living in lead hazardous units, provide 300 children with blood lead testing and reach 3,544 children through community educational lead hazard awareness outreach activities. The City and County of San Francisco will provide $648,713 in matching funds. Contact: Matthew O. Franklin, Mayor (415) 252-3185.
COLORADO

Denver-based Apartment Investment and Management Company (AIMCO) will be awarded $1,981,258. AIMCO intends to enhance safe housing for residents, provide safe housing for partners, residents, expand lead safe environment for employees and introduce these concepts to partners’ staff, train employees and extend training to other concerned citizens. They will conduct training to 20 to 25 cities in every region of the country. They will develop the capacity to train nearly 4,000 people. This training program will not only empower the students with knowledge of laws and regulations but also quickly convert knowledge into lead safe housing units and a lead safe work place. AIMCO will perform lead hazard control work at affordable properties containing over 1,000 pre-1978 apartments. All the residents of these apartments are low-income over very low income. The properties are located in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh; McKeesport, PA; Chicago, IL; Elyria, OH; and additional cities will also produce an exponential number of lead safe housing units based on training and knowledge. AIMCO will publicize the availability of the free training and will notify and encourage the participation of the National Church Residences; Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation and Housing Authorities in Connecticut, Colorado and North Carolina; Thistle Community Housing; Colorado Coalition for the Homeless; Mid-Atlantic Affordable Housing Management Association; and A Community of Friends. AIMCO will leverage $866,282 of funds. Contact: Brian Shuman, Sr. Vice President (303) 691-4314.

The University of Colorado Health Sciences Center will be awarded $679,649 to study housing of immigrant families who live in Commerce City, an urbanized and industrial area located in Adams County, just north of Denver, Colorado. This technical study will assess housing-related health risks affecting recent immigrant families with children through home inspections, environmental and biological sampling, and family interviews. The goal of the study is to address a range of hazards including allergens and asthma, combustion products of heating and cooking appliances, lead, and unintentional injuries and fires. These hazards will be addressed to prevent childhood injuries, poisonings, and exacerbations of asthma, allergic rhinitis, and dermatitis. The 2.5 year project will be addressed to 250 immigrant families in Commerce City. Outreach staff from Groundwork Denver will work with Salud Family Clinics, local churches and other community organizations, and key resident informants to establish a Healthy Housing Network (HHN) and to identify neighborhoods that meet the enrollment criteria. Contact: Jennifer Silverthorne (303) 315-7595.

CONNECTICUT

The City of Bridgeport will be awarded $3,000,000 to reduce the exposure of children to lead-based paint hazards in their home. The funds will allow the City of Bridgeport to reduce lead hazards in 275 eligible privately owned housing units for low and very low-income children age 6 and under in targeted neighborhoods throughout the City. Over 80 percent of the housing units in Bridgeport were built prior to 1980, while 46 percent of the units were built before 1950. The Bridgeport Lead Free Families (BLFF) has targeted five neighborhoods with high poverty rates, increased incidence of lead poisoning, and a majority of housing stock built prior to 1980. In the target neighborhoods alone, nearly 70 percent of the children tested had blood lead levels of 10 ug/dl or greater. Local partners include the Fairfield University School of Nursing Health Promotion Center, Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust, Matrix Public Health Consultants, The Workplace, Inc., HUD funded LAMPP Program, Bridgeport Community Health Center, Greater Bridgeport Council of Churches, East Main Street Revitalization Association, East End Community Council, Hollow Development Corporation, South End Neighborhood Council of Bridgeport, and the East Side Community Council. The City of Bridgeport will provide $1,717,502 in matching funds. Contact: Mr. John M. Fabrizi, Mayor (203) 332-5662.
The City of New London will be awarded $2,452,796 in lead hazard control renewal funding continue the City’s effort to address all defective lead-based paint surfaces including friction/impact points and bare soil. The targeted efforts will be concentrated in four census tracts, 6903, 6904, 6905, and 6907 that contain the highest concentration of low and moderate-income persons and the highest density of housing units that are primarily multi-family. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 130 units. The City of New London has committed $701,667 of in-kind matching funds. Contact: Richard Brown, City Manager (860) 437-6327.

The ACCESS Agency Inc. in Willimantic will be awarded $1,720,000 to operate the Lead Elimination Action program (LEAP) in rural Windham and Tolland counties in Connecticut. The program will work to remedy and protect unsafe living environments due to the presence of lead for children under the age of six through education, training, and financial assistance to facilitate control and remediation of lead in the homes. The primary goal is the control and elimination of lead in housing units of children under the age of six and the primary focus is on units with children having and Elevated Blood Lead Level (EBL) of 20 micrograms per deciliter (ug/dl) or greater and where pregnant women reside. ACCESS provides a wide variety of empowering and assistance services to our communities and works closely with other community based non-profit organizations, town governments and the private sector. Services provided under the LEAP Program will include lead control and remediation, community lead education, lead safe training to residents, temporary relocation when necessary and a contractor lead certification training program. The LEAP program removes barriers to affordable quality housing by making it possible for low-income homeowners to take care of lead issues in their homes, provides landlord sot perform lead control and abatement in rental units while still retaining their affordability. Units served through the program will be of better health and safety quality than the area norm and must be maintained as affordable housing for a minimum of three years. The LEAP program will improve local housing stock affordable to the low-income population. Children will be at less risk for lead poisoning that leads to mental and physical disorders that impact their future, the school system and the community in general over the short and long term. ACCESS has strong collaborations and partnerships with a variety of faith-based organizations, other community based organizations, town governments and financial institutions for the purposes of this program. Organizations provide referrals of potentially eligible clients and also assist ACCESS in the promotion and implementation of community lead hazard education. The ACCESS Agency Inc. will leverage $130,239 of funds. Contact: Barbara A. Mase, Executive Director, (860) 450-7449.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Howard University, considered “the Capstone of Black Higher Education,” will be awarded $750,000 to establish an interactive database cataloguing the lead status of DC housing beginning in Wards 1, 4, and 5 and eventually expanding to other areas in the District. The purpose of the database is to provide information to potential buyers and renters about residences that may pose a lead hazard to occupants and dwellings that have been made lead safe. Consequently determine if the availability of the database improves the efficacy of lead hazard control activities. As part of their study they will conduct monthly lead safe work practices training for 360 participants. The group researchers includes a Howard University team, an external team including the Coalition for Environmentally Safe Communities (CESC) and the National Center of Healthy Housing (NCHH), and representatives of four churches who form part of the existing community-based participatory research team. Howard University has secured cost-sharing match of $121,671. Contact: Wayne Patterson, Ph.D (202) 806-5567.
DELAWARE

Delaware Health and Social Services will be awarded $2,961,903 grant to develop, implement and sustain effective identification, reduction and prevention of lead-based paint hazards throughout the Hilltop/West end Community and other high priority zip codes of Wilmington, Delaware and to provide tertiary risk awareness information for other high risk populations statewide. Delaware’s Department of Health and Social Services will partner with the Latin American Community Development Corporation, City of Wilmington Real Estate and Housing, Delaware State Central Delaware Training Academy and the Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, local faith-based centers, health care providers, contractors, realtors and residents to implement De-Lead Delaware program. It is anticipated that 290 units will receive lead hazard control and intervention services. Per unit cost for grants is expected to be $15,000. There are 165 children in Wilmington, Delaware under the age of six years of age found to have elevated blood lead levels of 10mcg/dl or greater. Delaware Health and Social Services will provide $785,802 in matching funds. Contact: Jaime H. Rivera (302) 744-4820.

FLORIDA

The City of Miami will be awarded $3,000,000 to establish Miami Unleaded, a comprehensive lead program that will address its aging housing stock, diverse population and high risk of lead hazards in seven targeted communities. The primary goal for Miami Unleaded is to provide a comprehensive approach to lead hazard control in the City, by making it a part of every rehabilitation, renovation and repair on units built before 1978 where lead-based paint is present. Partners will include the Mayor’s Office and Departments of Communications and Neighborhood Enhancement Team. The City’s Community Development Department will provide overall management of Miami Unleaded. Additionally, the City of Miami will be working with the Florida Children’s Environmental Health Alliance of Florida International University, Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, Miami-Dade County Health Department Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Miami-Dade Head Start/Early Start, and Parents United Against Lead Poisoning to provide outreach, education, referral, and research expertise to the program. The total number of children residing in high-risk areas is 17,827. The City of Miami will provide $1,773,301 in matching funds. Contact: Robert Ruano (305) 693-3135.

GEORGIA

The Georgia Tech Applied Research Corporation will be awarded $468,890 to study the development of a personal exposure-monitoring vest that will link actual exposures experienced by an asthmatic child related to pulmonary function. Use of the vest will provide data on the actual trigger contaminants for asthma aggravation by examining statistical correlations between measured exposures and changes in pulmonary function over time. The Georgia Tech Research Institute is the applied research and development component of the Georgia Institute of Technology, with principal facilities in Atlanta, Georgia, as well as Field Offices in Albuquerque, NM; Orlando, FL; Alexandria, VA; and, Huntsville, AL, among others, and is under the direction of Dr. Stephen Cross. Contact: Janis L. Goddard (404) 894-6935.
ILLINOIS

The Board of Trustees at The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign will be awarded $576,896 to a comprehensive, multi-faceted project that includes theoretical modeling, laboratory testing, and field-based testing. These steps are all required in order to get a full understanding of the impact of the unvented gas appliances on indoor air quality as well as to allow for the extrapolation of the results to other realistic situations. The core of the project involves measurement of actual contaminant concentration in homes under natural conditions. Testing will occur in central Illinois region during two winter seasons. Thirty residences with unvented gas fireplaces are scheduled to be tested, each receiving a four-to-six day series of tests. No collaborating partners will be used. Contact: Charles F. Zukoski (217) 333-2187.

Madison County, Illinois will be awarded $782,654 to reduce lead hazards in lower income housing in Madison and St. Clair counties. The focus of the grant will be to concentrate lead hazard control efforts at pre-1940 rental housing in Madison and St. Clair counties in which children under 6 years of age are at greatest risk. The 22 state designated target areas with the highest concentration will be the primary focus point. The award recipient will work with the Madison County Community Development Department, in partnership with the St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department plans to complete 175 units assisting approximately 260 low-income children and their families. The matching funds, $878,827 will come from a SEP consent decree in Madison County, CDBG funds in St. Clair County, and other various sources. Contact: Alan J. Dunstan (618) 692-6200.

The Illinois Department of Public Health will be awarded $4,000,000 in federal funds to reduce or remove lead-based paint hazards in 393 priority, low-income housing units in five target areas and 5 homes outside the target areas for a total of 398 homes. Illinois was recently identified with the highest number of newly identified lead poisoned children according to a survey by the National Center for Healthy Homes and the Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning. Only 14 percent of the children in Illinois outside Chicago are screened each year. However, the number of screened children found to have elevated blood lead levels is higher in the target areas (11 percent) than in the rest of Illinois outside Chicago (7.9 percent). Almost 7 percent of all Illinois housing units are estimated to be at high-risk for having lead-based paint hazards. Besides the applicant, other direct and administrative services will be provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health with support from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign School of Architecture Building Research Council, and the Illinois Historic preservation Agency. The Illinois Department of Public Health will provide $662,444 in matching funds. Contact: Eric E. Whitaker (217) 782-5830.
LOUISIANA

**ACORN Associates** will be awarded $2,000,000 to launch the ACORN Regional Training and Development Centers Program that will train eight community-based operations in two regions of the United States of America (Southern and Northeastern). The grant recipient will use community-based strategies to work with other community and faith-based organizations, such as churches and neighborhood groups, to conduct education and outreach, to identify families at risk for lead poisoning, and to leverage resources to conduct lead hazard control in the homes of low-income families whose homes test positive for the presence of lead hazards. ACORN offices will work with local housing corporations to provide training to first-time homebuyers about lead hazards at least once-a-month as part of increasing outreach and education. Each participating office will also be trained in how to educate low-income residents in EPA approved lead dust sampling techniques. Dependent upon the size of the local office and the city within which it operates between 50 and 100 homes will be sampled and 10-25 homes provided with remediation or other form of lead hazard control. The organizations participating in the program are ACORN (Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now) operations in Little Rock, Arkansas; Wilmington, Delaware; Atlanta, Georgia; Prince Georges County, Maryland; Jersey City, New Jersey; Paterson, New Jersey; Dallas, Texas; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Houston, Texas. These offices will be responsible for leveraging and utilizing funds and resources to provide a means for lead hazard control in their cities. The ACORN Associates will leverage $5,169,600 of funds. Contact: Wase Rathe, President (504) 943-0044.

MASSACHUSETTS

**The City of Boston** will be awarded $4,000,000 under HUD’s Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program. Boston has targeted 280 units where the City has determined residents have documented elevated high blood levels. These 280 units will be abated over a 42-month period. The targeted areas include multi-family homes in the neighborhoods of Dorchester and Roxbury together with the City’s Department of Neighborhood Development and Lead Safe Boston. The award will be used to fund three additional positions and to expand outreach and intake services for the program. Most of the multi-family rental housing units will be identified and selected through the City’s two annual rental housing development funding competitions. The City of Boston will provide $1,000,000 in local matching funds. Contact: Thomas Menino, Mayor (617) 635-4500.

**The City of Cambridge** will be awarded $3,000,000 to control lead hazards in 184 dwelling units in Cambridge, Massachusetts, conduct six training and implement an extensive outreach and education program over the course of 42 months. Lead-Safe Cambridge (LSC) will continue to partner with The Cambridge Health Alliance, for medical education and referral, and with Just A Start, Homeowner’s Rehabilitation Inc. and Cambridge Neighborhood Apartment Services on joint lead hazard control and housing rehabilitation projects and Youthbuild community service. Numerous faith-based and other community-based organizations as well as businesses and public sector programs will also participate. The City of Cambridge will provide $4,325,493 in matching funds. Contact: Robert W. Healy, City Manager (617) 349-6010.

**The City of Lawrence** will be awarded $3,000,000 for lead hazard control activities to be conducted in 200 units or more throughout the City of Lawrence. Current existing partners and new partnerships will conduct activities such as outreach, education, and training. The total number of children under the age of six living in an area that continues to be the most vulnerable to lead poisoning is 3,100. The funds under this Grant will be used primarily for five purposes, which include: 1) Overall Grant Management, 2) Program Staff, 3) Abatement Related Costs, 4) Deleading Grants/Loans, 5) Data Study. The City of Lawrence will provide $359,607 in matching funds. Contact: Michael J. Sullivan, Mayor (978) 794-5891.
MARYLAND

The City of Baltimore will be awarded $4,000,000 and, with matching funding of over $1 million will remove lead hazards from 50 homes. The primary goals are: 1) Prioritize homes where a child has been identified with elevated blood lead by coordinating efforts with the Health Department’s Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. 2) Continue to implement a lead poisoning prevention program through cost-effective abatement protocols. 3) Focus enrollment efforts and hazard reduction activities in the highest risk, poorest neighborhoods. 4) Continue actions to affirmatively further fair housing by expanding the numbers of affordable safe housing units in Baltimore’s poorest areas. 5) Promote the integration of lead abatement with housing rehabilitation. The Baltimore City Health Department will be the lead agency in management of this demonstration grant. Partner agencies and organizations contributing to this grant include the Baltimore Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program of the Baltimore City Health Department, the Baltimore Department of Housing and Community Development, Empowerment Zone Village Centers, and the Maryland Department of the Environment. The City of Baltimore has obtained $1,194,670 in matching funds. Contact: Peter L. Beilenson, M.D. (410) 396-7225.

MAINE

The City of Portland will be awarded $1,500,000 to continue the City’s HUD-funded efforts to provide cost effective lead hazard control, lead screening and case management to promote childhood health, community education and contractor training, and coordinated efforts with the community partners, the People’s Regional Opportunity Program (Head Start, WIC and housing programs); University of Southern Maine; Maternal Child Health Nurses; Maine Lead Action Project; and Maine Medical Center’s Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital. The Program will concentrate efforts in the lower income neighborhoods of the Portland peninsula with special attention to the redevelopment areas of East and West Bayside. The Program will perform lead based paint hazard control in 80 housing units. The City of Portland has committed $223,172 in CDBG funds and $165,281 in HOME Program funds. Contact: Joseph E. Gray, Jr., City Manager (207) 874-8689.

MICHIGAN

The City of Detroit will receive $4,000,000 under HUD’s Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program. The overarching goal of the grant is to take the lead hazard awareness campaign and message directly to the high-risk populations. The City-Wide Lead Hazard Reduction Program anticipates providing home repair services to approximately 100 applicants within the fiscal year. The program will focus resources on the in-place management of lead-based painted surfaces. Partners for this endeavor include the Detroit Chapter of the N.A.A.C.P., Michigan State Housing Development Authority, Detroit Urban League, Church of the Messiah Housing Corporation and other grass-root organizations. Detroit ranks among the top 5 cities in the nation for percentage of housing built before 1960 and also has the largest population living in poverty. Many of those within this area are minorities with children under the age of six being diagnosed with elevated blood levels. The goal of the City of Detroit is to reach one hundred thousand people and enroll households in lead awareness, prevention activities, and testing and remediation programs. The City of Detroit will provide $1,000,000 in local matching funds. Contact: Walter C. Watkins, Jr. (313) 224-1629.
**Saginaw County** will be awarded $3,000,000 to conduct lead hazard control activities that will remediate 240 housing units. 3.8 percent of children under 6 years old living in the target area have Elevated Blood Lead Levels. In the target area, 22,404 houses (96.6 percent) were built before 1980 with 8,921 houses (38.5 percent) being built before 1940. 36.4 percent of the housing stock in the target area is rental units. Saginaw County has partnered with county and local governmental agencies, parent groups, grassroots organizations, faith-based, and community-based organizations and private industry to conduct their direct and indirect lead hazard control activities and leverage their potential HUD award funds. The performance period is to be 42 months following award. Saginaw County will provide $348,789 in matching funds. Contact: John D. Niederhauser (989) 758-3758.

**MINNESOTA**

**The City of Minneapolis** will be awarded $3,000,000 to target East Phillips Neighborhood, an area of 1162 housing units, for lead hazard reduction, environmental remediation and primary prevention to protect children’s health. This project will reduce or eliminate lead in 300 dwelling units. In the East Phillips Neighborhood, over 93 percent of housing stock was constructed before 1979 and over 30 percent of the families are below the poverty level. Community-based organizations and state and local government agencies will be integrated into a comprehensive project that will target lead hazards, arsenic contamination, unhealthy interior environments, energy use, and other urban concerns while increasing public awareness of these problems and building capacity of the neighborhood to respond to them. Minneapolis has proposed the following timeline for the project: 1) Grant activity including surveys and risk assessment activities begin immediately upon the receipt of funding. 2) Lead reduction and education activities completed within 36 months. 3) Six month follow up evaluations completed by the 42nd month. The City of Minneapolis will provide $560,577 in matching funds. Contact: John Moir (612) 673-3992.

**MISSOURI**

**St. Louis County** is awarded $876,731. This grant will include owner-occupied units identified through the St. Louis County Home Improvement and Lead Hazard Control programs as well as a weatherization program carried out by the local community action agency. A routine housing-based hazard inspection will be conducted in coordination with each program case. Grant money will be made available to the homeowner to complete the appropriate intervention measures. The owner will be required to attend a 2-hour training course on housing-based hazard control and will be expected to carry out a portion of the interventions. Blood lead levels for all children 6 and under in the household will be taken before and after the completion of the work and documented. This component will serve an estimated 100 households. A fulltime Education/Outreach Coordinator will be located at the St. Louis County Department of Health. This component will serve an estimated 15,000 households. The St. Louis County Healthy Homes Coalition is made up of local community and faith-based organizations, the local community action agency and two departments of St. Louis County government. The Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis serves several low-income, minority-impacted communities throughout St. Louis County and will provide education/outreach and contract management services for the Healthy Homes Demonstration Initiative. The Wellston Community Support Association (WCSA) primarily serves the City of Wellston, at the heart of the target area for the initiative. WCSA will organize training seminars in the City of Wellston and will assist in marketing the program to eligible households in this area. Contact: Philip Michael Linden (314) 615-4414.
The City of St. Louis will be awarded $4,000,000 under HUD’s Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program. The City of St. Louis is requesting Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration (LHRD) Grant funding to provide additional resources for the realization of the City’s “Lead Safe St. Louis” Comprehensive Action Plan (LSSL-CAP), announced in November 2003. The actions recommended in the plan are currently being implemented, but additional resources are needed to fully execute the plan and move the City towards its goal of effectively ending childhood lead poisoning by 2010. Much of the staff and program infrastructure are in place. Funds are needed to contract for lead-based paint operation. The funds will provide LBP hazard controls in 600 (360 owner occupied, and 240 rental) low-income housing units. Two community and faith-based organizations, Midtown Catholic Community Services and Housing Resource Center, will assist with clearance testing and relocation services respectively. There were 1,627 documented cases of CLP in St. Louis in 2003. St. Louis’ CLP rate is over 3 times the rate in Missouri, and nearly 7 times the national rate. Contact: Francis G. Slay, Mayor (314) 622-3400, ext. 566.

The City of St. Louis will be awarded $3,000,000 and, in collaboration with several city agencies (Community Development Administration, Department of Health and Hospitals, and Building Division), will continue the effective lead based paint hazard control program and implement the Lead Safe St. Louis Comprehensive Action Plan, which utilizes a comprehensive plan for preventing lead exposure through proactive detection, environmental hazard control, enforcement, and education. The City will work with community-based organizations as well to provide services to immigrant populations and lead hazard control to families of children with elevated blood lead levels in the 10-14 ug/dl range. The Program will also track 30 families in north St. Louis an 30 families in south St. Louis over a one year period following remediation to monitor blood lead levels as well as dust and lead paint hazards in the homes. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 600 units in targeted neighborhoods with the highest prevalence rate of lead poisoned children. The City of St. Louis has committed $7,509,614 of matching funds from several local sources. Contact: Francis Slay, Mayor (314) 622-3400 extension 566.

NORTH CAROLINA

The City of Charlotte will be awarded $3,000,000 in renewal funding to provide community awareness and education, screening, continue the Lead Safe Charlotte HOTLINE, promote job training and employment to low-income individuals and encourage actions to prevent childhood lead poisoning. Three Enterprise communities will be targeted with these efforts. These communities have the highest unemployment rate, the lowest average incomes, the most dilapidated housing, the greatest percent of rental housing, the highest percent of single head of households and the highest percent of children with elevated blood lead levels. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 350 units in which children are at the greatest risk of lead poisoning. The City of Charlotte has committed $800,315 of in-kind matching funds. Contact: Stanley Watkins (704) 336-2911.

The City of Greensboro will be awarded $3,000,000 in renewal funding to continue the City’s program component initiatives: provide lead hazard control activities, education and outreach campaign, lead training, and program analysis and evaluation. The partners will assist the city with providing the program component initiatives. The targeted efforts will be concentrated in South Central Greensboro. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 215 units. The City of Charlotte has committed $835,552 of matching funds from the City and Greensboro Lead Sage Housing Program Sub-grantees. Contact: John Brown (336) 336-2911.
NEW JERSEY

The City of Newark will be awarded $4,000,000 to implement a full lead inspection infrastructure that can reach owners through Newark immediately to initiate lead inspections. They have a pool of ten lead abatement contractors already under contact who have also demonstrated the ability to complete remediation of individual homes quickly. With these resources Newark is able to complete 275 properties within the grant period. There are currently seven partners in the venture. Namely AID Resources Foundation for Children, International Youth Organization, La Casa de Don Pedro, The North Ward Center, Inc., Salvation Army/Ironbound Boy’s and Girls Club, Unified Vailsburg Services Organization and St. Luke African Methodist Episcopal Church. The City of Newark will provide $1,878,023 in local matching funds. Contact: Sharpe James, Mayor (973) 733-5310.

NEW YORK

The City of Albany, New York will be awarded $3,000,000 that will allow 215 LEAD-Safe and rehabilitated private homes affordable to low-income households. The Lead Hazard Control Program is available to all eligible households in the City of Albany within the target areas (Arbor Hill, Capital Hill, North Albany, South End, and West Hill neighborhoods). The target areas have a combined population of 37519, with 3329 children under age 6. From 1994-2002, 2258 children were identified with elevated blood LEAD levels. The Albany County Health Department, reporting to the New York State Health Department, will continue blood level screening, testing of children and referrals to the Agency for Lead and Rehabilitation assistance. Neighborhood based organizations serving the target areas will conduct 1200 LEAD Awareness Home visits. The City of Albany, New York will provide $3,231,978 in matching funds. Contact: Gerald D. Jennings, Mayor (518) 434-5265.

The City of Albany will also be awarded $4,000,000 from Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program to pursue an aggressive program of LEAD Hazard Control by producing 315 LEAD-Safe and rehabilitated private homes affordable to low-income households. The Lead Hazard Control Program is available to all eligible households in the City of Albany within the target areas. Of the 17,180 households in the target areas, 92 percent of the units were constructed before 1978 and 56 percent were built before 1940. Housing condition surveys in these neighborhoods report 25 percent of the housing units need “paint treatment”. The City of Albany’s Community Development Agency will direct the Environmental Services. The Albany County Health Department will continue blood level screening, testing of children and referrals to the Agency for LEAD and Rehabilitation assistance. The Tri-Cities Laborers Union and an Environmental Consultant will provide HUD-EPA approved Lead Worker Training for neighborhood residents and refresher training to allow previous participants to maintain current certification. The City of Albany has obtained $3,231,978 in matching funds. Contact: Gerald D. Jennings, Mayor (518) 434-5265.

The City of Buffalo will be awarded $1,495,884 to reduce lead hazard through interim controls in 88 private homes, assess the risk of lead hazards in at least 125 homes, decrease the number of children with an elevated blood levels, collect and analyze data critical housing and lead data. This approach will take a period of 42 months and will target homes in Comprehensive Code Enforcement Areas. Mt. Olive CDC and Bethel CDC, Weed and Seed Program, SUNY Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning, Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority, Buffalo Prenatal-Perinatal Network will all provide assistance in making this project a success by providing temporary housing and assistance during the remediation period. The City of Buffalo will provide $591,884 in local matching funds. Contact: Timothy Wanamaker (212) 716-5035.
The Environmental Education Associates, Inc. (Erie) will be awarded $1,245,642 under HUD’s Lead Elimination Action Grant Program. Lead Connections activities are on track to train 1200 personnel, provide property assessments to 850 units and assist 450 units, as small but significant step toward lead poisoning. This program will leverage significant community resources from existing partners and continue to develop new relationships to enhance a regional ability to engage the support of the private sector for lead hazard control activities to both reduce lead hazards in the community and reduce the risk of lead poisoning to children throughout the Niagara Region. The Lead Connections will empower the private sector and provide homeowners, multi-dwelling unit property owners and local contractors the opportunity to control lead hazards in a reasonable and effective manner. The safe work practices training component provides a focused opportunity for interested parties to obtain skills that are essential to effective hazard control; public component offers mechanism by which a much greater segment of the population become aware of lead exposure and poisoning prevention. Community Connections will focus on increasing issue visibility throughout community, via “State of the Art” public displays, such as billboards, bus kiosks and event sponsorship. The Materials and assistance component will enable homeowners, property owners and contractors to obtain the means to begin effective hazard control. Targeted component seeks to educate local and national retailers, child care/education professionals and those in the medical industry toward a better understanding of lead hazard control in the expectation that they shall spread the message to their clientele and constituents. The Lead Connections program fortifies linkages between the very organizations that can most effectively address lead hazard reduction in Western New York. EEA in concert with the Erie County Health Department, City of Niagara Falls, Belmont Shelter Corporation, Community Action Organization (CAO), Home Depot, Glidden Paints, and others will work cooperatively to achieve the goals set forth for this project. The Environmental Education Associates, Inc. will leverage $1,176,097 of funds. Contact: Andrew J. McLellan (716) 833-2929.

The City of New York will be awarded $500,000 under HUD’s Lead Outreach Grant Program. The New York City housing for Preservation and Development (HPD) has selected Jackson Heights/Elmhurst/Crotono of West Queens and East Flatbush/Flatbush, in Brooklyn as target communities. These two target areas also have other markers for lead-paint poisoning: an overwhelming majority of residential buildings were constructed before 1947; a high number of households are residing with children less than six years of age; and a high number of households live at or below very low-income levels. This proposal focuses on outreach, marketing strategies and lead-awareness education and want to improve housing conditions and also enroll some 150 dwelling units for lead treatment. HPD’s planned partnerships include Brooklyn Housing and Family Services and HANAC, Inc. Both groups will be provided with $100,000 to support the grant initiatives and activities.

The City of New York will also be awarded $4,000,000 to reduce lead-based paint hazards in 398 units in pre-1940 buildings, located in the five most at-risk neighborhoods. The five targeted areas that have been chosen have the highest incidences of elevated blood levels in children less than six years of age. The proposal describes New York City Departments of Housing Prevention and Development (HPD) planned partnership with four community-based organizations: Brooklyn Housing and Family Services (BHFS), formerly known as Brooklyn Tenants Council in Brooklyn, Inc; St. Nicholas Neighborhood Preservation Corporation (SNNPC), all three in the borough of Brooklyn; and HANAC, Inc. in West Queens, in the borough of Queens. The City of New York has obtained $2,627,857 in matching funds. Contact: Shaun Donovan, Commissioner (212) 863-6389.
The City of Rochester will be awarded $2,499,310 to expand its current lead hazard control/reduction program, called City LEAD. This active program of primary prevention focuses on tenant-occupied housing in some of Rochester’s most distressed neighborhoods. The intent of this program is to effectively treat lead-hazardous rental housing within a defined target area in which many of today’s lead poisoned children live and will likely be living in years to come. To facilitate involvement of renters in the impacted and distressed Target Area, the City will continue to partner with the Housing Council. This agency is currently responsible for the application intake process for renters participating in City LEAD. The total number of tenant occupied units to be completed is 134, or 75 percent of the entire program’s lead hazard reduction project. Within these 134 units of housing, not fewer than 50 percent shall be occupied by families below the 50 percent AMI, and none of the remaining households will exceed the 80 percent AMI threshold. The City of Rochester will match this funding with $2,569,770 for personnel, construction, and indirect costs. Contact: William A. Johnson, Jr., Mayor (585) 428-7045.

The City of Syracuse will be awarded $3,000,000 to perform risk assessments and lead hazard risk reduction activities on 200 housing units in targeted city neighborhoods. Over 46 percent of the housing units were built prior to 1940, and over 88 percent or 16,008 units were built prior to 1978 according to the 2000 Census Data, more than 22,000 housing units have been deemed substandard—12,909 of those units are located in the City’s revitalization areas. Data collected by the county health department for 2003 indicates there are 514 children who were tested under the age of six, who have elevated blood lead levels living within the target areas. The goals for the proposed Lead Based Paint Hazard Control Grant will be providing additional lead-safe housing in low to very low income target areas, decreasing the number of children with elevated blood lead levels, improving the environments for families and surrounding communities, continuing lead education and outreach to all families living within the City of Syracuse and continuing training in Lead Safe Work Practices to increase the number of available contractors. The City of Syracuse Lead Hazard Control Program will work cooperatively with the Onondaga County Health Department Lead Poisoning Division along with seven Community-Based organizations in obtaining referrals for the Lead Program. The City of Syracuse will provide $1,378,490 in matching funds. Contact: Matthew J. Driscoll, Mayor (315) 448-8710.

Onondaga County will be awarded $3,000,000 for neighborhood outreach, testing of children for blood lead levels and homes for identification of lead-based paint hazards, lead hazard reduction, and data collection and analysis of lead hazard control activities. The program will partner with the local Health Department to provide outreach for the Program and to refer units with children with elevated blood lead levels. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 225 units. Onondaga County has committed $2,934,253 of matching funds. Contact: Nicholas Pirro (315) 435-3558.

OHIO

The City of Columbus will be awarded $2,999,817 to continue its efforts to provide aggressive hazard control by replacing windows, installing vinyl siding, addressing friction surfaces and weather exposed areas such as porches and soil. The program has partnered with many local agencies, faith-based, and community-based organizations. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 140 units and 20 units will be made lead safe with CDBG matching funds. The City of Columbus has committed $521,580 in matching funds for these efforts. Contact: Mark Barbash (614) 645-7452.
**The Columbus Health Department** will receive a $999,968 grant to focus on cost effective, sustainable, preventive measures to reduce injury and morbidity from preventable housing related and safety hazards associated with asthma, lead paint, and unintentional injuries in the home environment for those at most risk. The grant recipient will achieve 238 interventions in homes resulting in a minimum of 50 percent reduction in associated diseases, injuries, and symptoms. Partners will match the grant award by more than 200 percent in resources. Partners include the American Lung Association of Ohio, the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, the Central Ohio Breathing Association, the Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers, Inc., the Columbus Apartment Association and the Columbus Code Enforcement. The grant recipient will also have a leadership role in an asthma coalition to foster support of program implementation, marketing, and integration of the healthy homes approach with member organizations. The primary factors for the selection of the target community include high levels of asthma, pre-1950 housing, low median household income, and higher African-American population. The target area also encompasses high-risk areas of unintentional injuries as identified by the Columbus Injury Prevention and Division of Fire. Contact: Phillip Bouton (614) 645-6226.

**Cuyahoga County** will be awarded $3,000,000 to fund a program will concentrate efforts through recruitment of children from five sources: 1.) elevated blood lead levels and physician referrals, 2.) outreach in target neighborhoods by Neighborhood Centers Associations, 3.) integration with Qualified Rehab/Weatherization Clients, 4.) Section 8 units referred by local housing authorities, and 5.) referrals from non-profit community development agencies. Cuyahoga County is focusing effort in the City of East Cleveland to conduct target outreach, screening, home assessments and remediation. Another component of the program is to provide training to contractors providing economic opportunities and sustainable lead-safe workforce in support of the national strategy to eliminate lead poisoning by 2010. Cuyahoga County will partner with 42 communities, local agencies, local community colleges, and entitlement cities. Lead hazard control efforts will be targeted in several communities: Cleveland Heights, East Cleveland, Euclid, Garfield Height, Lakewood, Maple Heights, Shaker Heights, University Heights, and Warrensville Heights. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 160 units. Cuyahoga County has committed a total of $343,672 in matching funds. Contact: Terrence Allan (216) 201-2001.

**The City of Springfield** will be awarded $3,000,000 to continue its efforts to perform lead hazard control, training and licensing lead contractors and lead workers, providing training to property owners in Lead Safe Work Practices, conduct education and outreach at daycare centers and community activities to promote lead-safe habits, run the HEPA vacuum loan program for families needing to clean dust out of their homes, and provide lead dust cleanings in residence where a lead poisoned child has undergone chelation medical treatment. The Program will reduce lead-based paint hazards in 420 housing units. The City of Springfield has committed $1,400,000 in matching funds. Contact: Matthew Kridler, City Manager (937) 328-3932.

**Mahoning County** will be awarded $3,000,000 in federal funds to eliminate and/or control all lead hazards identified in 180 housing units occupied by low to very-low income families with children under six years of age. There are eleven high-risk zip code areas in Mahoning County. Over 65 percent of the grant funds will be used for combined paint inspections/risk assessments, a combination of interim controls and abatement techniques, temporary relocation, and clearance testing. Other activities involve training and community education and outreach. The working partners represent a broad spectrum of the community, from faith-based organizations, grassroots, to the Youngstown Metropolitan Housing Authority. Mahoning County will provide $5,591,850 in matching funds. Contact: Edward Reese (330) 740-2130 ext. 7172.
University of Cincinnati will be awarded $380,498 to perform experiments investigating wipe sampling material, moisture, and sample matrix effects while performing an evaluation of new instrument designs, improved detectors, and stronger excitation sources. This study will provide HUD with considerations important to sample collection of dust wipe samples for XRF analysis, XRF manufactures with information critical to the design features of their instruments, and EPA with aspects relative to quality accreditation guidelines for either on-site or laboratory-based XRF analysis approval under the National lead Laboratory Accreditation Program. Contact: Tana M. Housh (513) 558-5540.

OREGON

The City of Portland will be awarded $3,000,000 to continue its efforts to integrate lead hazard reduction into affordable housing programs in the Portland region. The intent of this effort is to recognize the regional nature of the area’s housing needs and develop corresponding solutions. Portland’s program has partnered with many local agencies and community based organizations (Portland Development Commission, the Multnomah County Health Department, and the Housing Authority of Portland). The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 280 units with approximately 60 percent of those being single-family units and 40 percent being multi-family units. Community awareness, education, and outreach will be accomplished through a number of program partnerships. The Portland Lead Hazard Control Program intends to support increased contractor capacity in the lead industry by continuing to provide financial assistance for lead training and insurance. The City of Portland has committed $1,072,000 in matching funds for these efforts. Contact: Vera Katz, Mayor (503) 823-2379.

PENNSYLVANIA

The City of Philadelphia will be awarded $4,000,000 to continue the success of the current Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Demonstration Project, which has completed lead hazard control work in 74 homes since February 11, 2004. Over 100 low-income children with elevated lead levels reside in these properties. Siblings bring the total number to over 130 children. This project will provide lead hazard control activities in 208 housing units for low-income clients. This hazard control work will be prioritized to families with a child with an elevated blood lead level. The Project will target the areas of concentrated poverty and housing deterioration. The proposed Project is a joint effort of the Department of Public Health Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Licenses and Inspections, the Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation, the Office of Emergency and Shelter Services, the Office of Housing and Community Development, the Department of Human Services, the Philadelphia Housing Authority, including their Section 8 Program, and the City Solicitor’s Office and Municipal Court, and the Peoples Help Institute, and the National Nursing Centers Consortium. The City of Philadelphia has obtained $1,413,474 in matching funds. Contact: John F. Domzalski (215) 685-2788.
The Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA) will be awarded $1,000,000 under the Healthy Homes Demonstration grant to reduce home hazards that cause asthma, including dust mites, mold spores, and insect infestations. Working together with the community based American Community Partnership (ACP) in Philadelphia, the Drexel University School of Public Health (Drexel) and Tenant Support Services, Inc. (TSSI), PHA will address the serious problem of asthma in school age children; specifically those that currently reside in Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) facilities. One of the specific goals will be improved measures of the health of asthmatic children, as measured by reduction in medical visits and school absences. PHA will use grant funds to complete education and abatement activities and create a Revolving Loan Fund to provide an option for landlords pay for repairs through a reductions in Housing Assistance Payments. PHA will recruit at least 200 families and landlords through telephone, public media, and home visits to the Housing Choice Voucher landlord list, with initial emphasis on owners’ whose priorities house families with children six and under. Contact: Charles Carr (215) 684-1024.

Healthy Homes Resources in Pittsburgh will receive a $910,875 grant to focus on identifying, assessing, controlling and/or remediating the in-home hazards that negatively impact the health of asthmatic children. The stated intention shall be accomplished by using a streamlined healthy home approach which combines indoor lead based paint hazard control and traditional childhood injury prevention programming. More specifically, the program is comprised of 6 major components. They are targeted medical recruitment; baseline health assessments; baseline housing assessments; education in the form of the family group, family income and community worker training; housing trigger/hazard control or remediation; and on-going assessment and evaluation. This approach is predicated on the notion that the knowledge and behavior of residents with regard to environmental hazards significantly impact the health of children, especially young asthmatic children. The environmental triggers of concern include cockroach, rodent and pet and dust mite allergen. Pollen, mold and moisture, environmental tobacco smoke, combustion gases, dust and household chemicals will also be monitored as possible asthmatic triggers. In addition, participants will be given access to programs to reduce other environmental hazards in their homes such as lead, asbestos, household child injury threats, and take-home-from work hazards where assessment warrants. Contact: Samantha Roth Balbier (412) 431-4449 ext. 224.

The City of Pittston will be awarded $2,951,644 to fund a program that focus on interim controls and address lead hazards on impact surfaces and surfaces to be disturbed during rehabilitation. The goal is to clear 250 owner-occupied housing units and 125 rental Section 8 units within 42 months. The program Coordinator will work with the rehabilitation staff in each community to set the schedule for the Nurse Coordinator to train contractors, provide educational programs, and test housing units. Additionally, the Program Coordinator will work with the Housing Authorities to identify Section 8 landlords with rental properties occupied by families with young children that are interested in undertaking lead hazard control measures. They are partnered with the City of Pittson, City of Pottsville, Lackawanna County, Monroe County, Schuylkill County, Susquehanna County and Wyoming County. The City of Pittston will provide $755,451 in local matching funds. Contact: Michael Lombardo, Mayor (570) 654-4600.
The City of Providence will receive $3,927,152 to produce 400 Annual Re-inspection Certifications in accordance with the Lead Remediation Act that goes into effect July 1, 2004, and will perform risk assessments, interim controls when needed and clearance dust samples for lead safe certification. This project will also perform lead hazard remediation in 190 units during the 42-month grant period. Partners that will collaborate to meet the mutually beneficial goal to remediate lead in the highest risk housing stock are: Department of Health, St. Joe’s Hospital, Community Lead Action Program and RI Mortgage Finance and Housing Corporation. CLEARCorps, USA is providing West Elmwood Housing Development Corp. (WEHDC) with significant mentoring and resources that ensure comprehension of the Lead Safe Housing Rule (LSHR). Grant partners will conduct PIRAs and develop the scope of services for integration of lead hazard reduction into rehabilitation projects. Grant Partners will also work closely with many smaller community development and neighborhood housing services to implement identification Lead-Based Paint, Lead Safe Work Practices, Training and Lead Safe Housing Rule. The City of Providence will provide a total of matching funds in the amount of $1,426,562. Contact: David N. Cicilline, Mayor (401) 421-7740.

The State of Rhode Island will be awarded $3,152,446 to continue its efforts to provide lead hazard control, prevention education efforts and training initiatives in six target cities: Central Falls, Newport, Westerly, Woonsocket, Pawtucket, and Providence. Five community-based organizations will assist the state with its efforts. The Program will reduce lead based paint hazards in 338 units, 169 units will be funded with HUD grant funds and an additional 169 units will be funded with matching funds provided by the State of Rhode Island. The State of Rhode Island has committed $2,965,846 in matching funds. Contact: Richard Godfrey (401) 457-1129.

The City of Providence will be awarded $511,146. They will be partnering with a wide range of public and private organizations and community-based organizations. To help residents with the targeted communities, special attention will be given to reaching Latino and Southeast Asian residents. We anticipate that though education and outreach efforts among other outcomes that 200 units will receive lead hazard reduction work; and 10,000 rental units will comply with the new lead hazard mitigation standards. Our partners on this project as Rhode Island Department of Health- Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Childhood Lead Action Project- Newport, Providence, Woonsocket, Progreso Latino-Pawtucket and Central Falls, Socio-Economic Development Center for Southwest Asian (SEDC)-Southeast Asian, West Bay Community Action-Newport, Providence and Blackstone Valley Community Action Program-Pawtucket, Central Falls, Woonsocket, and Housing Network of Rhode Island-Statewide. The HRC will also work with other private and public sector organizations to leverage resources and disseminate information on lead hazards and the requirements of the new lead law to reach out to the constituencies they serve. Contact: Richard Godfrey (401) 450-1349.
The Houston Department of Health & Human Services (HDHHS) will be awarded $3,000,000 to provide: lead safety education and outreach; lead abatement certification training; and, lead hazard reduction on 250 housing units. Target areas for the proposed FY 2004 Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program Grant have been classified as high-risk target areas based on the number of pre-1940, renter occupied housing units, in 16 inner city ZIP codes from Census 2000 data. These ZIP codes are in Federal Designated Renewal and Enterprise Zone. Approximately 50 families with children with elevated blood lead levels are identified monthly. The Texas Child Registry of June 2003 shows a total of 830 documented cases of Lead Poisoned Children. For the FY 2004 Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program Grant, HDHHS will collaborate with the Houston Department of Housing and Community Development, Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Programs, and Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program to perform lead hazard reduction on 250 housing units. The Houston Department of Health & Human Services has obtained $1,300,000 in matching funds. Contact: Stephen L. Williams (713) 794-9452.

The City of San Antonio will be awarded a $2,000,000 to facilitate strong partnerships between the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program (LBPHCP), the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, the University of Texas Health Science Center, the University of Texas San Antonio, the Texas Engineering Extension Service, and various community faith-based and non-profit organizations. The City will conduct lead hazard control activities on 136 owner-occupied and tenant-occupied residential properties. The 136 units are projected to provide lead safe affordable housing for 272 children. The proposed target area for the LBPHCP is wholly in the City of San Antonio’s federally designated Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community. The LBPHCP maintains that its mission is to assist in the prevention and elimination of lead hazards that impede the development and growth of healthy children in San Antonio. The City of San Antonio will provide $1,625,791 in matching funds. Contact: David D. Garza (210) 207-5400.

The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio will be awarded $957,906 for project LIFE (Lead Investigation and Family Education). The overall aim of Project LIFE is to provide lead education in San Antonio, TX for 1) Families of lead exposed children; and 2) Physicians working with women and children at high risk for lead exposure. Via increased education, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio can potentially mediate the short-term and long-term effects of lead on the child and prevent future lead exposure. The family education component consists of 250 primarily Hispanic, lead exposed, primary caregiver-child pairs, including approximately 50 pregnant women. The physician education will target approximately 296 children’s health professionals. All participants will be attending/working at health facilities in San Antonio, TX. Project LIFE will have potential to increase the knowledge regarding the effectiveness of interventions, the neurocognitive development of lead exposed infants, and the relationship between lead levels in mother and child – specifically maternal stress and newborn’s lead level. The key collaborating partner is the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (SAMHD). In 1998-1999, SAMHD established a collaborative partnership with the City of San Antonio, Neighborhood Action Department, to create a Lead-Based Task Force and was funded under the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program. Contact: Jane A. Youngers (210) 567-7400.
**UTAH**

The Weber-Morgan Health Department will be awarded $2,720,923 to conduct lead hazard control work for 251 units in a high-risk area in Ogden. These funds will support risk assessment, inspections, relocation, lead paint remediation, blood lead testing, community outreach and education, and training of community’s workforce. Ogden City has 28,000 homes, and 81 percent of those total residences were built prior to 1979. Of that number, more than 90 percent are believed to be contaminated with lead based paint. Blood lead testing will be performed on 2500 children between 6 months of age and 6 years of age who live in housing where environmental lead exposure is identified. The Weber-Morgan Health Department brings years of multi-dimensional capacity to address the public health problems of lead-based paint. Ogden City Neighborhood Development Division is a HUD Participating Jurisdiction in both the CDBG and HOME programs, and has been involved in single family and multi-family housing rehabilitation for the past 35 years. The two project partners will join with State Health and Environmental agencies, and local faith-based community organizations to address this serious problem. The Weber-Morgan Health Department will provide $3,587,447 in matching funds. Contact: Gary Michael House (801) 399-8433.

Salt Lake County will be awarded $2,000,000. Salt Lake County has a large number of young children, thousands of pre 1940 rental housing units and many households at or below 50 percent of median income. Seventy nine percent of the children with elevated blood levels live in the targeted areas. The goal of this program is to provide lead hazard assistance to 220 housing units, which will enable the program to make the housing lead-safe for 286 children under the age of six. The following partners will contribute to the completion of the project Housing Services of Utah Valley, Salt Valley Health Department. Salt Lake County will provide $991,963 in local matching funds. Contact: Dave Marshall (801) 468-3351.

**VIRGINIA**

Edenspace Systems Corporation of Dulles, Virginia will be awarded $404,714 to investigate the feasibility of using the latest phytoremediation methods to remove lead from urban yards, evaluating cost, treatment time, and other parameters based on the use of recently-identified substitutes for ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA) that reduce migration concerns. The study will provide an improved method of soil lead hazard control to communities, government agencies, and not-for-profit organizations seeking to reduce the health hazards posed nationwide by exterior soil and dust contaminated with lead. The team includes researchers at Edenspace Systems Corporation; New Mexico State University, Baltimore’s Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, and Professor Niall Kirkwood of the Harvard Graduate School of Design and Director, Harvard Center for Environment and Technology. Edenspace Systems Corporation will leverage $104,300 in additional funding. Contact: Mr. Bruce W. Ferguson, President (703) 961-8700.
The Eastern Virginia Medical School will receive a $999,663 grant to conduct a comprehensive home-based education and health intervention project designed to reduce home hazards leading to injury and illness for children living in Public Housing communities in Newport News, Virginia. The primary partner will be the Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NNRHA) who will provide support through their Maintenance and Community Resource Departments. The target areas for this grant are located in the Southeast Community of Newport News, Virginia. The specific sites chosen by the grant recipient are the Harbor Homes, Marshall Court, and Ridly Place communities. These communities were chosen because they have the largest numbers of female head of households, minorities, low income families, and families with children under the age of 18 in the City of Newport News. The focus of the grant will be on decreasing children’s exposure to multiple household hazards to include allergens and asthma, combustion products of heating and cooking utensils, insect- and rodent-pests, mold and moisture and unintentional injuries/fire. The period performance shall be three years. Contact: Judith Taylor-Fishwick (757) 668-6459.

United Parents Against Lead National, Inc. (UPAL) of Richmond, Virginia will be awarded $2,000,000. The project will launch innovative leveraging strategies that empower low-income communities through business development, job training and job creation in Lead Hazard Reduction/Abatement, building the capacity within the community to undertake activities that will eliminate lead hazards in homes occupied or frequented by children age 6 and below. UPAL will target Section 3 businesses and develop partnerships with Housing Preservation and Development Corporation and the Richmond Career Advancement Center. UPAL will hold an annual Abate-A-Thon as a creative way to involve the general public, educate and train volunteers in a special lead hazard control event. UPAL plans to leverage $3,525,000 in private sector cash and in kind contributions for this project. Contact: Zakia Shabazz (804) 714-1618.

WASHINGTON

The City of Spokane will be awarded $2,290,954 to fund comprehensive services including community education, outreach marketing to low-income families, blood-lead testing, lead inspection/Risk Assessment, contractor certification, and effective lead hazard repairs. The Lead Safe Spokane program will be built upon the lead hazard reduction capacity developed by the City of Spokane Single Family Rehabilitation program. We will add lead hazard reduction capacity by expanding existing contracts for Risk Assessment, Clearance testing, and contractor training. This program’s target area encompasses over 38,675 pre-1978 and 17,000 pre 1940 housing units. Over 12,000 low-income families reside in the target area. Fifty-seven percent of the City’s children younger than 6 years and 78 percent of the City’s children under 6 living in poverty live within this target area. The target area also contains 45 nonprofit owned low-income housing units with defective paint on our program waiting list, 300 child-occupied pre-1978 Section 8 assisted rental units with identified defective paint, and 42 child occupied pre-1978 rental units denied Section 8 assistance due to unmitigated lead-based paint. Program partners include Kiemle & Hagood, SNAP, Community Health Association of Spokane, Spokane County Regional Health District, MCS Environmental. The City of Spokane will provide $579,912 in local matching funds. Contact: Jack Lynch, Deputy Mayor (509) 625-6250.
**The State of Wisconsin** will be awarded $3,000,000 to support Wisconsin’s Lead Hazard Reduction (LHR) Program that will operate as a joint venture between housing, health and community based organizations. Partners include Wisconsin Division of Energy (DOE), WI Division of Public Health (DPH), Low-Income Weatherization (WX) Program grantee, and Local Health Departments (LHD). The proposed program will offer LHR services to low-income families statewide outside the City of Milwaukee and Sheboygan County both of which receive funding directly from HUD. Recruitment will be focused in the city of Racine and Rock County. These communities have a lead poisoning prevalence rate of 4.5 percent compared to 2.8 percent for all Wisconsin communities for 2003. These communities have high proportions of older, rental housing and relatively high numbers of minority and low-income children. The State of Wisconsin will provide $1,818,012 in local matching funds. Contact: Marc Marotta (608) 266-1741.

**The City of Milwaukee Health Department** will be awarded $3,000,000 to conduct lead hazard reduction in 870 units over a 24-month period. The proposal will maximize the number of children protected from lead poisoning and housing units where lead hazards are controlled, target the highest risk properties and children at greatest risk, replicate cost-effective treatments, build local capacity to safely and effectively address lead hazards during housing rehabilitation, affirmatively further fair housing and environmental justice, and further a strategy for the elimination of childhood lead poisoning by the year 2010. Community education and development will be achieved through contracts with three community-based organizations that will continue their efforts under the City of Milwaukee Community Capacity Project. These agencies include: Sixteenth Street Community Health Center, Hmong American Friendship Association, and Sherman Park Neighborhood Association. Milwaukee’s incidence rate of childhood lead poisoning is 11.4 percent, 5 times the national incidence rate of 2.2 percent. In the highest risk neighborhoods, the incidence rate is 19.1 percent, with 1,853 children identified with lead levels above 10 ug/dl. The City of Milwaukee Health Department will provide $532,285 in matching funds. Contact: Bevan K. Baker (414) 286-5788.

**The City of Milwaukee Health Department** will also be awarded $4,000,000 in funding designed to maximize the number of children protected from lead poisoning and housing units where lead hazards are controlled; target the highest risk properties and children at greatest risk, replicate cost-effective treatments, build local capacity to safely and effectively address lead hazards during housing rehabilitation, affirmatively further fair housing and environmental justice, and further a strategy for the elimination of childhood lead poisoning by the year 2010. This project seeks to conduct lead hazard reduction in 1,295 housing units in a 36-month period. The incidence rate for childhood lead poisoning is 11.4% for the City of Milwaukee. Community education and development will be achieved through a contract with Cristo Rey Lutheran Church, a faith-based organization that will continue its Healthy Housing Advocacy within the Lead Program Target Area. The City of Milwaukee Health Department has obtained $1,018,964 in matching funds. Contact: Bevan Baker (414) 286-5788.
The City of Milwaukee Health Department will additionally be awarded $419,309 to support an intensive and coordinated education, screening and housing advocacy project in Milwaukee’s highest risk neighborhood. It will result in increased property owner involvement with Primary Prevention, as well as assure lead-safety in units where children are identified as poisoned. This strategy includes direct outreach and service elements that will result in at least 400 additional low-income housing units made lead-safe through both secondary and primary prevention means. Door-to-Door education, housing advocacy and screening efforts will also result in direct outreach and education of residents in at least 3000 homes, education/assessment visits in at least 1500 homes, service to at least 3000 clients in high risk neighborhoods, assuring screening services for at least 1000 children in need, and support for bringing at least 50 low income rental units. A unique partnership between Milwaukee Health Department, the Dominican Center for Women, and the Lisbon Avenue Neighborhood Development will support two Healthy Housing Advocates who will work to create lead-safe and habitable housing within the epicenter of the Primary Target Area on Milwaukee’s north side. Contact: Bevan Baker (414) 286-5788.