

FY20 Healthy Homes and Weatherization Cooperation Demonstration NOFA Awards

Abstracts

Colorado

International Center for Appropriate and Sustainable Technology (ICAST) will partner with the state Low Income Weatherization Assistance Program (LIWAP) and healthy home/lead hazard control programs in Kansas City, creating a project team with energy efficiency and healthy housing/lead hazard control providers. The team will assess multifamily affordable housing properties in asthma and lead exposure hotspots. ICAST and partners will develop a sustainable, scalable, and coordinated model to provide healthy homes and weatherization assistance program retrofit upgrades to approximately 60 low-income multifamily units.

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Ohio

The City of Toledo Department of Neighborhoods administers the Lead Hazard Control (LHC) program and the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). By braiding these funds with other funding sources, the grantee plans on improving their existing process and address properties using a comprehensive home assessment and intervention model. The city will team with multiple healthcare organizations to identify households with an individual with asthma that would likely benefit from the interventions. Toledo is proposing to complete at least 40 units using the grant funds as “gap filler” with LHC and WAP funding, and complete at least 15 using only LHC and WAP funds as the comparison group.

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People Working Cooperatively (PWC) will partner with the City of Cincinnati and the Hamilton County Health Department to demonstrate the cost savings and impact of integrating services from the Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) and Lead Hazard Control (LHC) programs. PWC will conduct the HWAP services and Cincinnati and the Hamilton County Health Department will execute their LHC programs. PWC will partner with Cincinnati Children’s Hospital and the U. of Cincinnati for health-based referrals. The project will develop common enrollment applications, common assessment tools and cross-train staff and technicians to provide coordinated LHC, HWAP and other Healthy Homes services to minimum of 50 households.

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Pennsylvania

Lawrence County Social Services', Inc. (LCSS) will lead a multi-disciplined consortium of municipalities, agencies, and organizations to conduct home interventions in primarily rural communities. The targeted jurisdictions include over 900 smaller non-entitlement townships and boroughs, as well as entitlement cities over 5 different counties, including Butler, Delaware, Lancaster, Lawrence, and Mercer. LCSS will collaborate with the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) to recruit 20 units with a resident with asthma, and through the coordination between Lead Hazard Control and Weatherization programs in the five counties, complete 15 “coordination only” units to demonstrate coordination without the use of grant funding.

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Utah

The Salt Lake County Division of Housing and Community Development in partnership with Utah Community Action Weatherization Program and the Green and Healthy Homes Initiative are planning to expand their existing partnerships for health-related referrals to include healthcare providers, state and local agencies, and non-profit organizations. The partnership is proposing to address barriers previously identified and improve implementation of a coordinated approach to make 120 homes energy efficient, radon hazard free, and mitigate respiratory irritants that may exacerbate asthma and COPD.

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