Project Summaries of Successful 2024 Grantees

Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building Program

Indiana

City of Indianapolis

Award Amount: \$1,244,772

The City of Indianapolis/Marion County has been awarded \$1,244,772 in Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building grant funds. The program will work on building capacity to have a full lead hazard control program and build contractor capacity to remediate units in the target areas. The city will partner with Marion County Public Health Department and the Indiana Department of Health. They will also work with Indiana University of Medicine to reach the targeted population. Contact: Debora Hall, (317)327-4956, Debora.hall@indy.gov.

Louisiana

City of Baton Rouge/East Baton Rouge Parish Award Amount: \$1,500,000

The City of Baton Rouge has been awarded a Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building grant of \$1,500,000. The funds will be used to enhance the city's infrastructure and capacity to identify and address lead-based paint hazards in owner-occupied or rental units occupied by low-to-moderate income families with a child under 6 years old. The city will partner with the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative, Safe, Hopeful Healthy Baton Rouge, the State of Louisiana Department of Health, Louisiana State University AgCenter, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, G.R.O.W.T.H Services of Louisiana, and the Louisiana Organization for Refugees and Immigrants. Contact Daryl Blacher, (225)389-3039 ext. 3031, dblacher@brla.gov.

Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government

Award Amount: \$810,000

The Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government (LCG) has been awarded \$810,000 in Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building Grant funds. The program will utilize the funding to assess homes testing positive for lead-based paint on a case-by-case basis, prioritizing homes where remediation costs are manageable. LCG will also continue collaborating with partner agencies to expand local capacity for mitigating lead hazards in pre-1978 homes with young children. By the end of the first year, LCG will solidify partnerships with the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, the Master's Guild of Acadiana, and local community colleges to offer certified

Lead Inspector and Risk Assessor training through EPA-accredited trainers. This initiative will benefit housing rehabilitation employees and small disadvantaged businesses. LCG will collaborate with Lafayette Habitat for Humanity and Rebuilding Together Acadiana to meet HUD's strategic goals of advancing housing justice, sustainable communities, and investing in underserved communities within Lafayette Parish. Contact: Jessica Walton, (337)291-8433, jmwalton@LafayetteLA.gov.

Missouri

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Award Amount: \$1,200,000

The State of Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), which operates a variety of health programs and initiatives, has been awarded \$1,200,000 in Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building Grant funds. The State's Bureau of Environmental Epidemiology (BEE) is responsible for implementing several programs to address aspects of the lead contamination and exposure issues across the state. Together, the DHSS and BEE have a goal to minimize lead exposure to citizens in the state and recognize the need to expand efforts and services to build capacity in lead hazard reduction. The DHSS will establish the Missouri Lead Hazard Reduction Program to perform the work of the grant. Contact: Mr. Jeff Wenzel, (573) 522-2101, jeff.wenzel@health.mo.gov

Nebraska

Central District Health Department Award Amount: \$1,129,888

Central District Health Department has been awarded \$1,129,888 in Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building Grant funds to implement a 36-month grant program. First, the program plans to maximize the number of children under the age of six years who are identified as at-risk and/or have actual lead exposure; and secondly, to build a local sustainable system to safely and effectively contain lead hazards during lead hazard control and renovation, remodeling and maintenance activities. Partners will include the Nebraska Association of Local Health Departments as well as the National Association of City and County Health Officials). Contact: Teresa Anderson, (308) 385-5175, tanderson@cdhd.ne.gov

Three Rivers Public Health Department

Award Amount: \$2,369,218

Three Rivers Public Health Department (3RPHD) has been awarded \$2,369,218 in Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building (LHCCB) grant funds to implement within 36-month grant. 3RPHD seeks to further expand activities by providing lead-hazard control evaluations and

remediation. Housing units for lead hazard control work will be recruited and prioritized by high-risk zip codes, many elevated blood lead level cases, and Disadvantaged Communities Census Tracts. The health department will work partnerships with several churches and parish nurses, community hospitals and clinics, and several community-based nonprofit organizations such as Fremont Area United Way, Fremont Housing Authority, Blair Housing Authority, Fremont Family Coalition, Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, and Head Start programs in our three counties of service. Contact: Terra Uhing, (402) 704 -2254, terra@3rphd.org.

West Central District Health Department, Inc.

Award Amount: \$1,128,007

West Central District Health Department has been awarded \$1,128,007 in Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building grant funds. The Department will expand its Lead Program to address the needs of its jurisdiction to ensure that lead-safe housing is available in Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Hooker, Arthur, and Thomas Counties. Contact: Meghan Grace Trevino, (308) 696-1201, trevinom@wcdhd.org.

New Jersey

City of Elizabeth Award Amount: \$725,076

The City of Elizabeth has been awarded a Lead Hazard Control Reduction Building grant of \$725,076. The grant funds will be used to develop the infrastructure and capacity to identify and address lead-based paint hazards in owner-occupied or rental units occupied by families of low-to-moderate income with a child under 6 years old. The city will partner with the State of New Jersey Department of Health and consultants that include a licensed Social Worker and a Public Health Educator. Contact: Penny Meredith, (908)820-4711, pmeredith@elizabethnj.com.

Ohio

City of Dayton

Award Amount: \$2,500,000

The City of Dayton received \$2,500,000 for a 36-month Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building grant. The city's primary focus under grant will be on outreach planning, education, and training. Key personnel will work with existing local home repair programs to identify their needs and how to integrate lead hazard testing and reduction practices to the programs. To ensure the program is focused on supporting households of low income with children under age 6, existing partnerships will be strengthened with Dayton Children's Hospital and Public Health – Dayton & Montgomery County. These partners will ensure that households of low income with children under 6 who have documented elevated blood lead levels are served first. Contact: Sarah Geist, (937)333-3814, sarah.geist@daytonohio.gov.

Vermont

Windham County

Award Amount: \$1,100,000

Windham County has been awarded \$1,100,000 in a Lead Hazard Reduction Capacity Building Grant to build a program that can apply for a lead hazard control grant in 2027. The program will build capacity to determine the prevalence of childhood poisoning, identify and train local contractors to address lead hazards, and create a strategy to incorporate lead hazard control into existing and future housing repair programs. Contact: Mark Anderson, (802)365-4942, manderso@windhamcountyvt.gov.