

2016-2017 Annual Report

Better Housing. Better Health.

National Center for **HEALTHY HOUSING**



IN 1992, THE ALLIANCE TO END CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING AND THE ENTERPRISE FOUNDATION FOUNDED THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR LEAD-SAFE HOUSING, WITH FUNDING FROM FANNIE MAE. TWENTY-FIVE YEARS LATER, NCHH CONTINUES TO BE A LEADER IN SECURING HEALTHY HOMES FOR ALL AND IS A PASSIONATE ADVOCATE FOR THE IDEA THAT BETTER HOUSING CAN BE A POWERFUL PLATFORM FOR BETTER HEALTH.

NCHH remains committed to the elimination of childhood lead poisoning, but over the past 25 years our mission has also expanded to tackle a range of residential hazards and housingrelated illnesses and injury. We achieve impact through a combination of research, that helps us to understand both the problems we face and how we can prevent or mitigate many of those problems; advocacy at the federal, state, and local levels; and capacity-building to ensure that our partners working on the front lines of healthy homes are equipped with the right data, tools, policies, and best practices to get the job done.

National events, including the Flint water crisis and hurricanes in Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico, reinforced the importance and relevance of NCHH's work in 2016 and 2017. During this time the Center also began refocusing efforts on supporting action at the state and local levels.

A NEW LOOK AT LEAD POISONING

NCHH contributed to 10 Policies to Prevent and Respond to Childhood Lead Exposure, a comprehensive report published by the Health Impact Project. As noted in the report, preventing childhood lead exposure requires significant policy and regulatory action, coordination across levels of government, and public and private investment. However, the report also provides detailed and up-to-date estimates of how prevention of childhood lead poisoning can generate substantial economic and public health gains.

NCHH and the National Safe and Healthy Housing Coalition also launched the Find It, Fix It, Fund It campaign to eliminate lead poisoning. With over 150 members, the campaign developed a set of recommendations for local, state, and national policy makers to locate exactly where lead problems are (Find It), take action to eliminate those problems using proven methods (Fix It), and raise the necessary financial and human resources to get the job done (Fund It).



SUPPORTING SENIOR HEALTH

NCHH launched the Aging Gracefully in Place initiative in collaboration with Johns Hopkins University (JHU) and organizations in four communities around the country to evaluate the replicability of JHU's CAPABLE intervention model.

NCHH created a new nonprofit organization called the National Well-Home Network, with Nancy Rockett Eldridge assuming the role of director.

"I am thrilled about the opportunities that exist for both NCHH and the Well-Home Network. Given the extensive and complex needs of our aging population, proven interventions like these are essential to delivering better care, smarter spending, and healthier people."

-Nancy Rockett Eldridge, National Well-Home Network Director



BRINGING HOME-BASED ASTHMA SERVICES TO SCALE

NCHH released *Building Systems to Sustain Home-Based Asthma Services*, a free comprehensive online learning and technical assistance platform designed to equip staff public health agencies, state asthma control programs, state Medicaid agencies, and other housing and health organizations with information on how to build the systems, infrastructure, and financing to put home-based asthma services in place in their respective states, communities, or regions.

NCHH and partners at the New York State Department of Health published three articles in *The Journal of Public*



Health Management and Practice summarizing the health and cost benefit of the New York State Healthy Neighborhoods Program. Four federal agencies collaborated to write two companion commentaries.

25 YEARS OF BETTER HOUSING, BETTER HEALTH

Amanda Reddy was selected as NCHH's fourth executive director, succeeding Nancy Rockett Eldridge in May 2017.

NCHH celebrated its 25th anniversary on September 7 with a private function honoring both past and current board and staff. An interactive timeline (found at http://bit.ly/NCHH25Years) documenting the organization's role in shaping healthy housing over the last 25 years was also released in September.



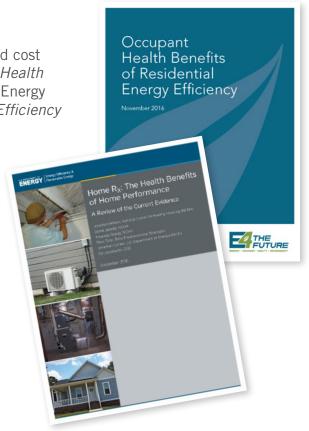
"I am committed to working with our board and our talented staff to continue to take advantage of the enormous opportunities in front of us and to deliver on the premise that NCHH was founded on — that better housing can be a powerful platform for better health."

-Amanda Reddy, NCHH Executive Director, pictured with Dr. Joycelyn Elders, former U.S. Surgeon General and NCHH Board Member

ENERGY + HEALTH

NCHH contributed to two reports summarizing the health and cost benefits of residential energy improvements, *Home RX: The Health Benefits of Home Performance* with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and *Occupant Health Benefits of Residential Energy Efficiency* for E4TheFuture.

These reports document the array of health benefits for homeowners and their families stemming from home performance improvements and green renovation practices. Ranging from general health improvements to measurable reductions in asthma symptoms and other respiratory illnesses, these benefits complement the energy cost savings and comfort improvements frequently produced by home performance upgrades. In some instances, the health benefits associated with home performance were shown to reduce both healthcare utilization and costs.



SUPPORTING LOCAL ACTION

In 2017, NCHH, in consultation with the Trust for America's Health and the Health Impact Project (Pew Charitable Trusts and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation), awarded 15 \$5,000 mini-grants to communities across the country for lead poisoning prevention and awareness work. In addition to funding, grantees received minor technical assistance.

Selected outcomes from these mini-grants include:

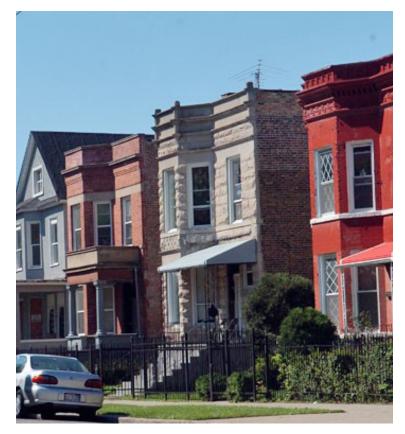
- Over 3,800 people attended lead poisoning prevention awareness events.
- At least five grantees reported having elected officials or government staff (not counting the grantees themselves) at their events; at least four more described other work they did with local government contacts before or after the events.
- Ten grantees reported engaging roughly 260 community leaders through their events; this category includes government officials, parent advocates, and partner organizations.
- Eleven grantees said that this work helped them make promising connections for future action with other organizations, government agencies, and community members.
- Four grantees reported distributing 438 lead cleaning kits and water filters.
- At least three grantees reported that their events earned local or state news coverage.

RESEARCH THAT TRANSLATES INTO PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS

NCHH completed the HEALTH V project, which compared two different ventilation standards established by the American Society of Heating Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) that are used commonly in weatherization and other housing repair programs.

NCHH also completed the CLEAR WIN study, which examined the feasibility of state health department administration of a window replacement program focused on lead poisoning prevention in Peoria and the Englewood neighborhood in Chicago, IL.

Both of these studies were conducted in partnership with the University of Illinois at Chicago.



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS*

*National Center for Healthy Housing, Inc. and Subsidiary, *Consolidated* Statements of Activities for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2016

2016	Unrestricted	Temporarily Unrestricted	Total
Support and Revenue			
Grants and contracts	\$4,872,817	\$0	\$4,872,817
Contributions	45,323	2,008,000	2,053,323
Interest income	1,535	0	1,535
Other revenue	13,413	0	13,413
_	4,933,088	2,008,000	6,941,088
Net assets released from restriction	1,197,186	(1,197,186)	0
Total Support and Revenue Expenses	6,130,274	810,814	6,941,088
Program	5,709,521	0	5,709,521
General and administrative	19,434	0	19,434
Fundraising	21,521	0	21,521
Total Expenses	5,750,476	0	5,750,476
Change in net assets before provision			
for income taxes	379,798	810,814	1,190,612
Provision for income taxes	229,541	0	229,541
Change in net assets	150,257	810,814	961,071
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	618,253	1,243,122	1,861,375
Net Assets - End of Year	\$768,510	\$2,053,936	\$2,822,446

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2017	Unrestricted	Temporarily Unrestricted	Total
Support and Revenue			
Grants and contracts	\$2,726,449	\$0	\$2,726,449
Contributions	9,176	569,730	578,906
Interest income	376	0	376
Other revenue	26,648	0	26,648
_	2,762,649	569,730	3,332,379
Net assets released from restriction	1,083,432	(1,083,432)	0
Total Support and Revenue Expenses	3,846,081	(513,702)	3,332,379
Program	3,920,985	0	3,920,985
General and administrative	86,795	0	86,795
Fundraising	40,144	0	40,144
Total Expenses	4,047,924		4,047,924
Change in net assets before provision			
for income taxes	(201,843)	(513,702)	(715,545)
Provision for income taxes	(66,877)	0	(66,877)
Change in net assets	(134,966)	(513,702)	(648,668)
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	768,510	2,053,936	2,822,778
Net Assets - End of Year	\$633,544	\$1,540,234	\$2,173,778

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We thank our board for its volunteerism, financial support, and commitment to our mission.

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