

# MINNESOTA | 2017 Healthy Housing Fact Sheet

Unhealthy conditions found in hazardous housing can lead to lead poisoning, asthma, respiratory illness, cancer, and unintentional injuries, resulting in missed school days and poor school performance for children, as well as missed work days for parents. To protect the health of Minnesota families and prevent continued increases in associated healthcare costs and societal consequences, full federal funding is needed for critical programs and services:

	MN received funding since 2015?
<b>CDC's Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>CDC's National Asthma Control Program</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>CDC's Environmental Health Tracking Network</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>HUD's Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>HUD's HOME Investment Partnerships Program</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>EPA's Lead Categorical Grants</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>EPA's Drinking Water Revolving Fund</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>HHS' Maternal and Child Health Block Grants</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>HHS' Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>DOE's Weatherization Assistance Program</b>	<b>YES</b>

Full funding to federal programs such as these will help to address many of the risks and burdens facing the families and residents of Minnesota, including:



In Minnesota, **24% of children live in households with a high housing cost burden**, and 13% of children live in poverty.



In 2015, **1,397 Minnesota children tested had an elevated blood lead level** (5 µg/dL or more); **216 of them had blood lead levels of 10 µg/dL or more.**



**57% of Minnesota housing was built prior to 1978** and is likely to contain lead-based paint.



On average, **27 Minnesota residents die annually from carbon monoxide exposure** (2011-2015).



Approximately **7.4% of adults** and **6.4% of children** in Minnesota (2015) **have current asthma.**



Children from the Twin Cities metro area are nearly **twice as likely to visit an emergency department for asthma** as those living in Greater Minnesota.



Unintentional falls were responsible for **117.8 deaths of adults over the age of 65 per 100,000 in 2015** in Minnesota; the national rate was 60.55 per 100,000.



**Two in five Minnesota homes have elevated levels of radon** in their indoor air.