

Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes Fact Sheet State of Maryland

Funding Summary

HUD's Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (since 2007)

2011- Healthy Homes Production – Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning - \$930,000
2009- Healthy Homes Demonstration – Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning - \$875,000
2009- Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration - Baltimore County - \$4,000,000
2008- Lead Elimination Action Program – Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning - \$2,000,000
2007- Healthy Homes Demonstration – Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning - \$1,000,000
2007 - Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration - Baltimore City - \$3,897,094
2005 – Lead Hazard Control – Baltimore City - \$2,740,000

CDC's Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

2013 --TBD
2012 – \$0
2011 – \$594,000
2010 - \$824,000
2009 - \$890,000

How are children in Maryland impacted by environmental health problems?

Statewide: 4,037 children have blood lead levels above 5 µg/dL.

Baltimore Housing Conditions: Compared to the national average, Baltimore-area homes are more likely to have deficiencies and safety hazards. Homes are more likely to have signs of pests, water infiltration, lead paint hazards, mold, poor energy performance, and roofing problems.

What services does the CDC lead and healthy homes program provide Maryland children?

The Maryland State Department of Environment (MDE):

- Encourages testing of children especially in the range of 0-72 months
- Assists families whose children have lead poisoning through case management, to help identify sources of lead poisoning and follow up with affected children and families;
- Collects and tracks all lead screening data;
- Outreach, to educate citizens, contractors, and renovators about lead hazards and lead-safe work practices; and
- Targets other home hazards, such as carbon monoxide, asthma triggers, and safety hazards.

What services does the HUD healthy homes program provide to Maryland children?

HUD lead hazard control grants are used to repair the homes that have caused children to have elevated blood lead levels or are highly likely to do so unless repairs are made. Under the Baltimore Health Department's most recent lead hazard control grant (\$3.9 million), the city conducted testing and remediation of 220 homes. In the previous grant 150 units were remediated. The Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning currently implements HUD Healthy Homes Demonstration and Production grants which provide asthma and other respiratory ailments trigger reduction and other healthy homes interventions where environmental conditions contribute to a child's illness or risk of injury. The program has remediated lead hazards in 704 homes and conducted Healthy Homes interventions in 513 homes since 2007. The Coalition also coordinates Baltimore's HUD-supported Green & Healthy Homes Initiative (GHHI).