

Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes Fact Sheet State of Michigan

Funding Provided by CDC Lead and Healthy Homes Program

Michigan Department of Community Health / Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

FY 2006-2010 \$700,000+ each year (over 70% of annual budget)

FY 2011 \$550,000

FY 2012-13 \$0

City of Detroit/Department of Health & Wellness Promotion/Community Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

FY 2006-2010 \$843,000+ each year

FY 2011 \$0

FY 2012-13 \$0

Profile of Children Impacted: Children with elevated blood lead levels in 2011(5µg/dL and above)

Statewide: 7288 (represents 5% of child population under 6)

Large Urban Centers:

Detroit: 2862 (represents 10% of children under 6) Grand Rapids: 553 (represents 11% of children under 6)

Highland Park: 77(represents 19% of children under 6) Jackson: 139 (represents 15% of children under 6)

Note: only 20% of Michigan children were tested for lead levels in 2011

Housing Conditions

Statewide, 64% of Michigan’s housing stock was built before 1978 and is likely to contain lead hazards. For the 14 ‘target’ communities, 89% of housing was built before 1978

Profile and Importance of Michigan Department of Community Health’s CDC-funded programming

Without CDC funding, the MDCH Lead Poisoning and Healthy Homes Program **MAY NO LONGER BE ABLE TO PROVIDE CRUCIAL** services:

1. NO testing of children to find those that are lead poisoned
2. NO case management for families with lead poisoned children
3. No collection and tracking of lead data; no weekly reporting of lead poisoned children to local health departments; no way to direct limited resources to areas most in need
4. NO funding for lead poisoning prevention and management for 10 local health departments
5. NO outreach or education to citizens, medical providers, housing agencies
6. NO state leadership; NO development of statewide policies and procedures

NOTE: HUD funding provided to the State of Michigan and its large urban centers provides crucial funding for remediation of lead hazards in housing units; without CDC funding it will be very difficult, or impossible to target services to the children most in need.

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