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 Ohio families and prevent continued increases in associated healthcare costs and societal consequences, full federal funding is needed for critical programs and services:

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

- In Ohio, 25% of children live in households with a high housing cost burden, and 20% of children live in poverty.
- 66% of Ohio housing was built prior to 1978 and is likely to contain lead-based paint; almost 20% was built in 1939 or earlier.
- In 2017, black children in Ohio had over twice the asthma prevalence rate of white children (21.6% vs 9.6%, respectively).
- In 2014, unintentional falls among older Ohioans were responsible for 81,275 emergency department visits, 19,461 hospitalizations, and 1,160 deaths.
- In 2018, 3,856 of Ohio children tested had an elevated blood lead level (5 μg/dL or more); 1,119 of them had blood lead levels of 10 μg/dL or more.
- Approximately 10% of adults and 9% of children have current asthma in Ohio (2017).
- On average, 56 individuals die annually from carbon monoxide exposure in Ohio (2012-2016).
- Of Ohio’s 88 counties, 29 contain radon levels above the EPA action level.

CDC’s Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program | YES
CDC’s National Asthma Control Program | YES
CDC’s Environmental Health Tracking Network | NO
HUD’s Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes | YES
HUD’s Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) | YES
HUD’s HOME Investment Partnerships Program | YES
EPA’s Lead Categorical Grants | YES
EPA’s State Indoor Radon Grants | YES
EPA’s Drinking Water Revolving Fund | YES
HHS’ Maternal and Child Health Block Grants | YES
HHS’ Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) | YES
DOE’s Weatherization Assistance Program | YES

OH received funding since 2017?

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