

FACT SHEET: HUD's Work to Address Lead-based Paint and Additional Housing-Related Hazards

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As the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) seeks to build safer, more resilient, and inclusive communities for all, a central pillar includes protecting American families from potential hazards in their own home, such as from lead-based paint and lead pipes. This work is part of the Biden-Harris Administration's whole-of-government approach to ensure that all Americans can drink clean water, breathe clean air, and live in healthy homes.

Today, HUD announces an additional \$568 million available through two Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs), bringing HUD's total of funds made available to protect children, families, and individuals from exposure to lead and other housing-related hazards to more than \$2.7 billion since 1993.

HUD's progress on the Department's plan to eliminate the effects of these hazards includes the following:

- Today, HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes announced the
 availability of over \$403 million to state and local governments through its Lead Based
 Paint Hazard Reduction program that cleans up dangerous lead in low-income homes not
 receiving HUD housing assistance, especially homes in disadvantaged communities, with
 grants to be awarded by May 2023.
 - This is in addition to the \$112 million awarded under the grant program in September 2022.
- In addition, today, HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing issued its NOFO for \$165 million in Housing Related Hazards and Lead-Based Paint Capital Fund Program grants to clean up lead-based paint and additional housing-related hazards in public housing.
- HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes continues to partner with 300 state, tribal, and local governments on their implementing 375 grants that use its funds to make homes of low-income children and their families lead-safe and healthy.
 - In an effective example of braiding of funds from multiple sources, the small city of Linwood, KS, is replacing 75 water service lines that may contain lead joints with non-lead service lines to those homes by using funds from HUD, USDA, and its own resources.
- HUD continues to implement its Lead Safe Housing Rule, which eliminates or mitigates lead-based paint hazards in assisted older (pre-1978) housing, which may contain lead-based paint, including when using its housing rehabilitation assistance.
- HUD is developing an FY 2024 proposal for funding replacing lead water service lines to HUD-assisted housing being rehabilitated whenever water main feeder lines are being replaced and the service lines are not being replaced in conjunction with that work.