

HUD GRANT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What is the HUD Grant?

State, County, City or other governmental entities may apply to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Federal funding to implement programs that identify and repair lead-based paint hazards in eligible housing. Homes eligible to receive funding include those occupied by low-income families with children under the age of six.

2. How much funding is provided?

Los Angeles County was awarded \$3.4 million to remove lead-based paint hazards from eligible homes. The County is providing over \$1 million in-kind support to implement this HUD grant.

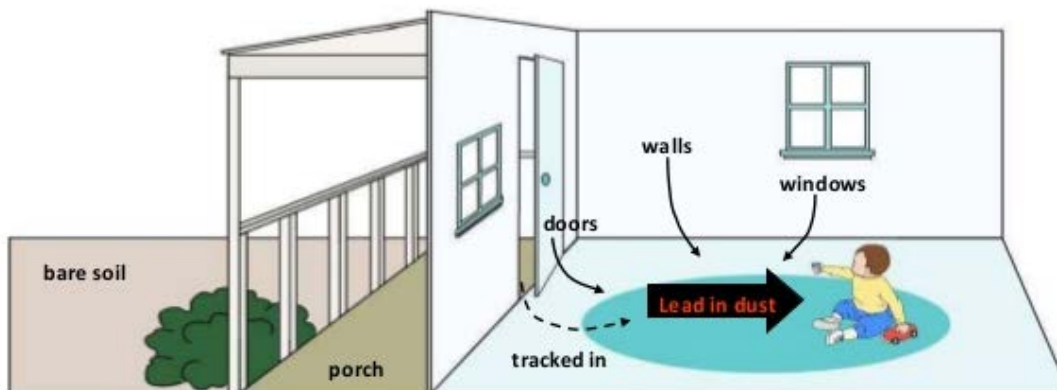
3. How will the funds be used?

The funding will be used to identify and remove lead-based paint hazards from 180 units in areas at high risk for lead poisoning, including downtown Los Angeles, South Los Angeles, and communities impacted by the Exide battery recycling plant. Of the 180 units, 80 will be in the communities adjacent to the Exide facility.

Blood Lead Testing

A portion of the funds will be used to offer blood lead testing for children from eligible homes. Children with blood lead levels above 9.5 ug/dL will be referred to Public Health’s Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program for follow-up and case management.

4. What activities are included?



A **Home Assessment** will be completed to determine if there is a lead-based paint hazard on the property. A licensed professional will test the walls inside and outside of the home and other surfaces, such as window sills.

Repair activities may include replacing painted housing parts (i.e. windows, doors, railings, cabinets); enclosing or encapsulating lead-based paint surfaces; removing lead-based paint; stabilizing paint film; treating door jambs and window stops; removing or covering soil; and removing and controlling lead dust.

A **Cleanup Confirmation** will be completed to be sure the work area has been properly cleaned to meet the HUD clearance standards.