

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**

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On or after April 15, 2025, the City of Detroit will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Fiscal Year 2024 Lead Hazard Reduction funds under Sections 1051 and 1052 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4854 and 4854a) and Fiscal Year 2024 Healthy Homes Supplemental funds under Sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. §§ 1701z-1 and 1701z-2). Funding for both is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42, approved March 9, 2024), Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-328, approved December 29, 2022), and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103, approved March 15, 2022), to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Fiscal Year 2024 Lead Hazard Reduction Grant

Purpose: The purpose is increasing the number of lead-safe residential units in the City of Detroit for income eligible households with children under 6 or a pregnant woman through the abatement and/or interim control of lead-based paint hazards.

Location: Throughout the City of Detroit

Project/Program Description: The City will prioritize units where a child has an elevated blood lead level at 3.5 ug/dL or higher. City staff and partners will conduct outreach to Detroit residents, intake and application assistance. Staff will be responsible for determining eligibility, conducting an initial inspection, ordering a Lead Inspection Risk Assessment, conducting a Healthy Homes Assessment, Radon testing and mitigation, writing the scope of work, conducting a pre-construction conference, overseeing the work, processing payments, tracking budgets, completing necessary reports, and data entry. The FY24 LHR program aims to assist 172 units with lead-based paint hazard reduction activities and up to 172 units with Healthy Homes Supplemental funding to address non-lead hazards in the homes. Tier 2 site specific reviews will be completed for those laws and authorities not addressed in the tier 1 broad review for each address under this program when addresses become known.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Flood Insurance, Coastal Zone Management, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Floodplain Management, and Historic Preservation.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a) in their Tier II review, an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published.

Estimated Project Cost: \$7,000,000.00 in Lead Hazard Reduction funding and \$750,000.00 in Healthy Homes Supplemental funding. There is also a forthcoming match to this Lead Hazard Reduction grant that will be completed in a separate environmental review.

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the City of Detroit Housing and Revitalization Department at the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Ave., Suite 908, Detroit, Michigan 48226, and may be examined or copied weekdays 10 A.M to 4 P.M. with an appointment, or at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>. The ERR is also located on the City of Detroit's Housing and Revitalization Department Website's Public Notice section: <https://detroitmi.gov/departments/housing-and-revitalization-department/public-notice>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Penny Dwoinen, the City of Detroit Environmental Review Officer, at telephone: 313.224.2933 or e-mail: dwoinenp@detroitmi.gov. All comments received by April 14, 2025, will be considered by the City of Detroit prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Detroit certifies to HUD that Ms. Julie Schneider, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Certifying Officer consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Detroit to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the *City of Detroit's* certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the *City of Detroit*; (b) the *City of Detroit* has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to HUD and sent to the email address as follows: David Robbins, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, Program Environmental Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development OLHCHHPECOS@HUD.GOV. Potential objectors may contact HUD directly to verify the actual last day of the objection/comment period.

Ms. Julie Schneider, Director, Housing and Revitalization Department, City of Detroit, Certifying Officer