LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION PROGRAM: Preventing the Dangers of Lead Poisoning

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in partnership with
ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

“Get The Lead Out”

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What is Lead Poisoning?
Lead poisoning means having too much lead in the body.

Lead Can:
- Cause major health problems, mostly in children under 6 years old.
- Damage a child’s brain, nervous system, kidneys, hearing, or coordination.
- Affect learning.
- Cause behavior problems, blindness, and even death.
- Cause problems in pregnancy and affect a baby’s normal growth.

Where Does Lead Come From?
Lead Comes From:
- Lead dust from moving parts of windows and doors that are painted with lead-based paint.
- Lead-based paint on wood trim, walls, cabinets in kitchens and bathrooms, porches, stairs, railings and fire escapes.
- Soil contaminated from lead-based paint and leaded gasoline.
- Drinking water where old lead pipes or lead solder was used.
- Removing old paint when refinishing furniture.
- Lead dust from repairing or remodeling a house.

If you are interested in applying for the Lead Hazard Reduction Program funding, please call us at (845) 615-3811, E-mail us at CommDev@orangecountygov.com or fill out the info below and mail this card back to us.

Name:__________________________________
Address:________________________________
Phone: (_____) _______ - _____________
Email:__________________________________

Do you live in or own a home or apartment that was built before 1978?
YES_______            NO_______

Are there children under age six living-in or that regularly visit the home/apartment?
YES_______            NO_______

Is the home/apartment in generally good repair?
YES_______            NO_______

Are there large amounts of deteriorated paint and/or visible dust accumulation?
YES_______            NO_______

Are there significant structural or moisture problems (e.g., big cracks in walls, sagging walls, holes in the roof, and extensive water stains)?
YES_______            NO_______

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What Can The Lead Hazard Reduction Program Do For You?

Lead Hazard Reduction Program is administered by the Orange County Office of Community Development.

The program’s goal is to make interior and exterior housing surfaces lead safe.

Do You Qualify?

• Homeowners and landlords of pre-1978 houses or apartments may be eligible for lead hazard control work up to $10,000 per residential dwelling unit.

• Homeowners must meet modest household income guidelines (currently $63,900 for a family of four). Landlord properties qualify based on tenant income, not landlord income.

• Owner occupied homes must have a child under six years old who live in or regularly visits the home.

• Landlords may apply for assistance for rental housing, occupied or vacant units. Landlords must give preference to families with a child under six who either lives in, or visits the rental unit. This requirement will remain in effect for a five-year period.

Eligible Activities If Lead Is Found:

• Testing for lead-based paint hazards on both the interior and exterior of the building.

• Replacement, removal or enclosure of lead-based paint components.

• Encapsulation of lead-based paint surfaces.

• Stabilize paint surfaces.

• Friction surface treatment.

• Lead dust removal.

• Mitigation of bare soil.

Lead Evaluation And Control:

• All hazards identified in the lead inspection/risk assessment must be addressed.

• Priority will be given to applicants with units having lead poisoned children under the age of six.

• Contractors must be EPA Certified for abatement or interim controls.

• Landlords are required to provide written notice to Tenants prior to making an application for assistance.

• Occupants may be temporarily relocated during lead hazard control.

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