#### A Message to Homeowners:

**Each year, hundreds of children** in our area are found to have elevated blood lead levels.

They will suffer lifetime effects of lead poisoning, including impaired physical development, lower educational performance, attention problems and aggressive or even violent behavior.

Lead paint is likely to exist in any home built before 1978. Children living in Rochester need our help to ensure that lead hazards found in their home are identified and controlled.

Government, non-profits and neighborhood organizations are having success in their lead-poisoning education and outreach efforts. The City's lead law is the best way to ensure that lead hazards are identified and resources are targeted where they are needed most.

The City of Rochester wants you to be informed, prepared and safe. Learn about the ways to prevent lead poisoning and the resources available in our community by using the contacts listed on this brochure.

**Apply today** for the City's Lead Hazard Control Program, which uses federal and City dollars to help make your property lead-safe.

Lovely A. Warren
Mayor

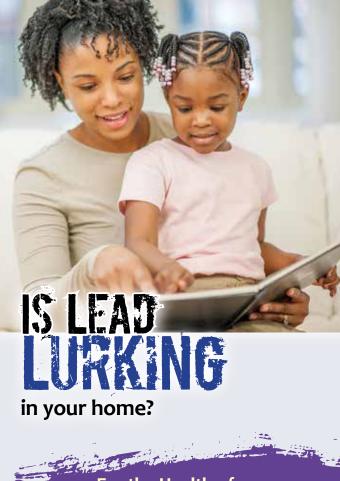


Get information on lead poisoning, its effects and ways to test and fix lead paint in your home go to:

Coalition to Prevent Lead Poisoning www.theleadcoalition.org

City of Rochester www.cityofrochester.gov/homerepairgrants

City of Rochester Office of Buildings and Zoning (585) 428-6963.









# Each year, hundreds of children are harmed by lead-based paint hazards in Monroe County. **Make your property safe.**

#### Addressing lead is urgent.

Children who ingest lead-based paint dust, paint chips or lead-contaminated soil can suffer serious health problems. When lead-based paint deteriorates, it poses a serious health hazard to children in the home. Renovations can disturb old painted surfaces, releasing lead dust that can poison people.

#### You can prevent lead poisoning.

The City's Lead Hazard Control Program will provide most of the resources you need for detecting lead hazards and finding solutions. In some cases, it's just a matter of having a lead-certified contractor repaint, repair, clean and/or landscape problem areas. Or, we'll fund other necessary repairs, such as replacement windows.

**Lead Poisoning** 

Begins With You.

**Prevention** 

Either way, you improve the safety and the value of your home.

#### Who is eligible for the program?

If your house was built before 1978, you may be eligible for assistance in testing and cleaning up lead hazards.
Services are provided by experienced workers who are trained and equipped to reduce lead

hazards. Families with children under the age of 6 or who have children with elevated blood lead levels are eligible if their incomes do not exceed those listed in the accompanying chart. Property owner cannot be subject to City or County tax forclosure or mortgage foreclosure.

### How the Program Works.

You fill out an application. After eligibility approval, we schedule a risk assessment of your home where we identify lead hazards and how they can be addressed. We will help you find the certified contractors to remediate

the lead hazard. After the work is done, we test your home to make sure it meets safety standards.

## What is provided?

Assistance is available without repayment for owners who occupy the home for at least five years for window, entry door and porch repair or replacement, paint stabilization, bare soil treatment and general rehabilitation.



## Getting started is easy!

Applications are available at your nearest Neighborhood Service Center:

Northwest NSC	Southwest NSC
71 Parkway	923 Genesee St.
Rochester, NY 14608	Rochester, NY 14611
(585) 428-7620	(585) 428-7630
Northeast NSC	Southeast NSC

500 Norton Ave. 320 N. Goodman St. Rochester, NY 14621 Rochester, NY 14607 (585) 428-7640 (585) 428-7640