

LEAD-BASED PAINT

Hazard Reduction Program

The City's Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Program addresses hazardous lead-based paint in housing units within the city's 61701 zip code where a child under six (6) years old is present. Exposure to lead paint can have many harmful health effects on pregnant women and children. Lead paint can be found in older homes on windows, siding, and doors. This program addresses lead-based paint hazards with both single-family and rental units.



Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Program Guidelines:




This program completes lead-based paint assessments and abatement in houses with lead-based paint hazards typically such as siding, doors, windows, soffits, and/or painting. Additional support is provided under our Healthy Homes Program funding. Program guidelines include but are not limited to:

- Residence in 61701 Zip code
- Property built prior to 1978
- Income eligibility based on household size
 - (80% Area Median Income (AMI) per the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development)
- Priority application intake given for applications with households that have pregnant women or children with high lead blood levels

APPLY TODAY



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Community members wishing to apply for this program must first submit a City of Bloomington Housing Rehabilitation Pre-Application. Once the pre-application is completed, staff will contact you to discuss the rehabilitation programs available, the program that may work for you, and the full application process for that program. Applications are on a first come first served basis eligibility review and approval unless a household has children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels (EBLL) or pregnant women.

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Dangers of Lead Poisoning

Key Facts about Lead-Based Paint

- Lead is a heavy metal that does not degrade over time.
- There are no benefits to having lead in the human body.
- A normal lead level is 0.
- In the City of Bloomington, 1 in 20 children tested have a high lead level; that number is several times the national average.
- The amount of lead needed to poison our system is 1/100 of a sugar packet.
- Lead poisoning is a silent disease. Even children who appear healthy can have dangerous levels of lead in their bodies.
- Most homes built before 1978 contain lead-based paint.
- The most common source of lead poisoning today is dust from lead-based paint that has deteriorated or been disturbed while remodeling.

Lead Poisoning Impact on Children

Lead hazards are especially bad for children up to age 3, because they put their hands and other objects that may be coated with lead dust into their mouths.


Effects Lead poisoning can cause:

- Seizures and death
- Slowed growth
- Delinquent behaviors
- Hearing problems
- Kidney problems
- Lower IQ
- Behavior
- Learning problems

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The Lead Poisoning Prevention Program provides early detection of potential lead poisoning through risk assessment questionnaires, blood lead tests, education, referrals, and follow-ups for eligible clients. Environmental Health investigations are conducted by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

www.mcleancountyil.gov/1670/Maternal-Child-Health

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