

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

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City of Kansas City, MO Health Department

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On or about February 28, 2025 the City of Kansas City, MO, Health Department will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program (LBPHC) is authorized by Section 1011 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. 4852) and funding is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020, approved December 20, 2019 (Public Law 116-94), and the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2019, approved February 15, 2019, (Public Law 116-16). The Healthy Homes Supplemental funding is authorized under Section 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-2), with funding approved by the same Appropriations Acts, for the following multi-year program/project: Lead Safe KC for the purpose of identifying and removing lead paint hazards in the homes of low-income families with children under six years of age living in Kansas City, MO and St. Joseph, MO. The City of Kansas City, MO Health Dept. is requesting the release of \$6,149,475.00 in federal funding (Lead Hazard Reduction Grant MOLHD0549-24).

The proposed hazard control activities to be funded under this/these program(s) is/are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed above. Other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be complied with when individual projects are ripe for review. Specifically, the target area(s) has/have been studied and compliance with the following laws and authorities has been achieved in this Tier 1 review: Airport Hazards, Air Quality, Endangered Species Act, Farmlands Protection, Noise Abatement and Control, Sole Source Aquifers, Wetlands Protection, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Floodplain Management, Coastal Barriers Resource Act, Explosive & Flammable Operations and Coastal Zone Management Act etc. Site-specific environmental reviews will include compliance with the following environmental laws and authorities for proposed projects funded under the program(s) listed above: In the Tier 2 review, compliance with the following environmental laws and authorities will take place for proposed projects funded under the program(s) listed above: Historic Preservation, National Flood Insurance Program requirements, and toxics/hazardous materials. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is on file at the Kansas City, MO Health Dept., Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention/Healthy Homes Program. 2400 Troost Ave Ste. 3400, Kansas City MO 64108 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Kansas City, MO Health Dept., Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention/Healthy Homes Program. All comments received by February 27, 2025, will be considered by the City of Kansas City, MO, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention/Healthy Homes Program prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification to HUD.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Kansas City, MO, Health Department certifies to HUD that William Rand in his official capacity as Chief Financial 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 Kansas City, MO, to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Kansas City, MO, Health Dept., certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Kansas City, MO, Health Dept. ; (b) the City of Kansas City, MO, Health Dept. has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the City of Kansas City, MO, Health Dept. has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (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: Magaly Mendez, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, Management Analyst, 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.

William Rand, Chief Financial Officer - Certifying Officer
City of Kansas City, Missouri Health Department