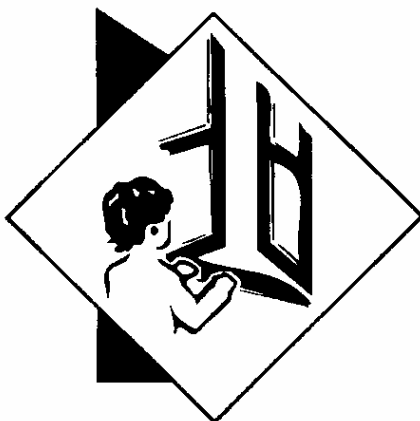


The Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program



Third Quarter Report

Fiscal Year 2006-2007

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The Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (ACLPPP) presents the third quarter progress report on the goals and objectives for Fiscal Year 2006-2007. This report incorporates those determined by the various granting agencies, as well as those designed by the Program, to provide quality and effective services to County Service Area (CSA) property owners, and health services to children countywide.

This report is organized into two sections: The first is comprised of objectives for the CSA, California State Department of Health Services (DHS) and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The second consists of the Public Education and Outreach, Compliance Assistance and Enforcement, Training, and Administrative objectives funded by multiple sources in order to maximize both Program services and resources.

HIGHLIGHTS

On January 24-25, 2007, Program staff conducted the Healthy Homes training, titled “Essentials of Healthy Homes – Practitioner’s Course” at the West Oakland District Office of the Oakland Housing Authority. This course was developed and standardized for national use by the National Center for Healthy Housing to train in-home visitors including public health nurses, environmental health professionals, housing professionals, and others in understanding the connection between health and housing and how to take a holistic approach to identify and resolve problems which threaten the health and well-being of residents.

This course was held in collaboration with the National Center for Healthy Housing and was audited by its Director. The Training Director characterized both the Instructor and the course as being “outstanding.”

CSA PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES

The primary goal of CSA Property Owner Services is to reduce exposures to lead hazards. These objectives are focused on raising awareness of the sources of lead in residential buildings and ensuring hazards are addressed in a lead-safe manner. Ultimately, this will result in exposing fewer children, property owners, and workers to lead. Property owners also need to be aware of changing Federal and State regulations mandating disclosure of lead hazards, distribution of lead hazard information prior to renovations, and containment of lead dust during renovations to prevent lead exposure, and how to avoid fines and potential liability.

California Senate Bill 460 (SB460) and Assembly Bill 2861 (AB2861) have brought about a system-change that reinforces the importance of performing any type of construction work in pre-1978 homes in a lead-safe manner. Therefore, the ACLPPP will continue its property owner education program to ensure that this information is disseminated to the community. CSA funds will be used to provide property owners in the cities of Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda, and Emeryville with Primary Prevention Education Services, based on the percentage of funds received from each city.

PRIMARY PREVENTION EDUCATION SERVICES

ACLPPP will:

- **Provide 250 environmental lead consultation site visits.**

A total of 107 in-home lead consultation (IHC) site visits were made this past quarter for a to date total of 190. Staff provided property owners with education, a visual survey and recommendations for treating any potential lead hazards. The new colorful brochure with the IHC application is now in all literature racks and

is distributed at public education events and provided to partnering organizations. The IHC brochure was also sent home with 2,211 children through five elementary schools and one pre-school in Alameda. A display ad is running for six months in the Parent's Press newspaper and presentations have been made to several PTA's. In addition, staff has been promoting this service, along with lead-safe renovation messages, to people waiting in line at the Household Hazardous Waste facility in Oakland. In-home lead consultations are also being offered to landlords who want to know more before applying for the HUD XIII lead hazard control services.

- **Provide 300 environmental lead testing kits.**

A total of 121 lead testing kits were provided to CSA property owners this past quarter for a to date total of 251. Most of these were provided in conjunction with the IHC service while some were given out to owners who came into the office or at events.

- **Conduct 14 Lead-Safe Painting and Remodeling Classes.**

Three lead-safe painting and remodeling classes and three paint store staff trainings were held this quarter for a to date total of 14 classes. The classes this quarter took place at the new Alameda Main Branch Library, the Temescal Branch Library in Oakland and the Ecology Center in Berkeley. Paint store staff trainings were held at Pursel Paints in Berkeley, Home Depot in Emeryville and Pursel Paints in Oakland. A total of 80 people have attended the classes this year.

- **Provide educational materials in 30 Paint Stores.**

Program staff visited 35 paint stores to replenish educational materials in literature racks. Materials included information about lead-safe work practices, program services and classes in lead-safe renovation.

- **Lend HEPA Vacuum Cleaners to 245 CSA property owners.**

Forty-two CSA property owners utilized the HEPA vacuum cleaner this quarter for a to date total of 132. The HEPA vacuum cleaners are available at the Program office and at the Temescal Tool Lending Library in Oakland. Program staff is working with newly hired staff at the City of Berkeley Public Health Division to move forward on setting up a new location for the HEPA vacuums at the Berkeley Tool Lending Library (see administrative objective). An additional HEPA vacuum cleaner has been provided to the Temescal Tool Lending Library in Oakland.

- **Distribute information and literature at 12 municipal office locations, including the four CSA City Permit Offices.**

All four CSA City permit offices were visited monthly in addition to 10 other municipal office locations to replenish educational materials in literature racks. Educational materials include information about lead poisoning prevention and program services.

- **Provide rental property owners with 7,500 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) booklets titled "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home" in three languages, English, Spanish, and Chinese, as a means to assist them with the compliance of Title X, Section 1018.**

A total of 2,674 "Protect Your Family" booklets were provided to rental property owners during the quarter for a to date total of 5,302 booklets provided. Recipients of the booklets included individual rental property owners, property management companies, the Oakland Housing Authority (for owners participating in Section 8), Apartment Owners Association, Rental Housing Association of Northern Alameda County and the Berkeley Rent Board. An additional printing of 10,000 booklets has been ordered.

- **Contact and provide information about lead regulations and services to four realtor and/or property management companies.**

Staff continues to drop off educational materials and offer educational presentations to property management companies and realtors. A presentation to agents and property managers at Harbor Bay Realty in Alameda is scheduled for April.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES County Service Area	OBJECTIVES BY CITY									
	Alameda		Berkeley		Emeryville		Oakland		Total	
	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal
CSA Property Owner Services: Increase Property Owners' Awareness, Knowledge, and Actions to Prevent Lead Poisoning										
Provide 250 environmental site visits	14	28	65	55	4	2	107	165	190	250
Provide 300 environmental lead sampling kits	23	33	81	66	5	3	142	198	251	300
Conduct 14 lead-safe painting classes	3	1	5	3	2	1	4	9	14	14
Supply Info. racks in 30 paint stores	5	3	5	6	1	1	24	20	35	30
Provide 245 loaner HEPA vacuum to property owners	17	27	21	54	0	2	94	162	132	245
Distribute educational materials in 12 municipal offices	3	1	2	2	2	1	7	8	14	12
Provide 7,500 EPA Booklets to rental property owners	1,054	825	1,175	1,650	40	75	3,033	4,950	5,302	7,500
Provide Information about lead regulations to four realtor/property management companies	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	4

CSA ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES

- **Investigate the logistical and financial implications of establishing an additional venue for lending of the HEPA vacuum cleaners.**

Newly hired management and Lead Program coordination staff at the City of Berkeley Public Health Division have taken up renewed efforts to finalize and approve the paperwork needed to establish the Berkeley Tool Lending Library as another venue for the HEPA vacuums. The City of Berkeley Health Officer will be contacting the Berkeley Head Librarian to finalize the agreement. An additional HEPA vacuum cleaner has been provided to the Temescal Tool Lending Library.

- **Conduct quarterly evaluations for the lead consultation site visit and test kit service including monitoring usage of the service, laboratory logistics and client feedback, with adjustments as needed.**

Increased outreach efforts to promote the in-home consultation and sampling kit service have resulted in an increase in requests for this service. For the first time this fiscal year, this objectives' benchmark was exceeded. Effective strategies included the distribution of the new brochure with the application, sending brochures home with elementary school children, outreach at PTA meetings, talking with people waiting in line at the Household Hazardous Waste facility in Oakland and offering the IHC service to landlords who are considering applying for the HUD lead hazard control program. These successful efforts will be continued.

Feedback forms completed by recipients of the in-home lead consultation services and lead test kit continue to show that clients find this a valuable service. Eight feedback forms were returned this quarter; most indicated that they were “very satisfied” with the service and all indicated that they would be comfortable recommending the service to a friend or neighbor. One person commented that the service was “very informative and very thorough. Given our desire to protect our baby, we were very satisfied with the time and information provided and the thorough assessment of our house.”

- **Provide quarterly analysis of any significant fluctuations in objective outcome numbers.**

Property owners in the City of Alameda increased their utilization of CSA services during the third quarter with an increase in IHC and lead test kits provided and more homeowners utilizing the HEPA vacuum service. Some targeted outreach efforts were undertaken in Alameda including distribution of the IHC brochures to elementary school children, increased distribution of the HEPA vacuum flyers, and education of people at the Household Hazardous Waste facility which is just over the Park Street bridge from Alameda.

City of Berkeley outreach staff, under contract with ACLPPP, has been actively promoting the IHC service and lead-safe painting classes at public education events, paint stores and in working with the Berkeley Property Owners Association and Rent Stabilization Board and local property management companies. This has resulted in exceeding the year-end objective for IHC’s and lead test kits.

Requests for IHC’s and lead test kits also dramatically increased in Oakland this quarter due to the additional outreach and promotion efforts. Distribution of the EPA booklets to rental property owners also greatly increased in Oakland due to partnerships with the Oakland Housing Authority, the Rental Housing Association of Northern Alameda County and Apartment Owners Association. In addition, the use of the HEPA vacuum service in Oakland increased due to providing an additional HEPA vacuum to the Temescal Branch Tool Lending Library.

CSA ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES	
Investigate an additional HEPA vacuum venue.	Ongoing
Conduct evaluations for lead consultation site visits and test kit services	Ongoing
Provide quarterly analysis of any fluctuations in objective outcome each quarter.	Completed

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES/
CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION BRANCH (CLPPB)**

Department of Health Services Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch (DHS CLPPB) funds are utilized to support comprehensive health program services. Core functions of CLPPB-funded activities include direct case management services to lead poisoned children and their families, advocacy for blood lead screening via collaboration with other public health programs, and marketing and consultations to the medical provider community and Medi-Cal Managed Care Organizations.

Environmental Investigations are conducted in the homes of children throughout Alameda County with medical cases of lead poisoning, as defined by DHS-CLPPB (i.e. elevated blood lead level greater than 20 micrograms per deciliter). The ACLPPP’s Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) provides property owners with a risk assessment report detailing the environmental test results and recommendations for safely addressing the lead hazards at the property. An on-site consultation with a lead project designer is scheduled with the owner to discuss safe methods of lead hazard reduction, emergency measures, and program services such as the

lead-safe renovation classes, painting preparation supplies, HEPA vacuum cleaner lending program and possible financial assistance for some emergency cases located in the CSA.

BLOOD LEAD TESTING

The ACLPPP will assure that all identified children at risk for lead exposure will be referred for blood lead screening. The goal of Case Management is to decrease the EBLs of lead burdened children.

- **Screen and evaluate test results by Public Health Nursing staff to determine if case management services are needed.**

Public Health Nursing (PHN) staff evaluated 1,691 test results for elevated blood leads received during this quarter for a to date total of 4,800. The majority of these test results is referred from Quest Laboratories, with additional results referred from Kaiser Permanente and Children's Hospital and Research Center at Oakland.

CASE MANAGEMENT

- **Provide Public Health Nursing Case Management Services to an estimated 60 (both new and active cases) children with an EBL equal to or greater than 15 micrograms per deciliter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$).**

At the close of the third quarter, 43 families (cases) were receiving case management services by PHNs. Staff continues to meet on a weekly basis to review all cases for quality assurance and control, to discuss difficult cases and develop strategies that would best serve the families whose children are lead poisoned.

- **Identify all new medical cases that meet the medical case criteria of two BLL equal or greater than 15 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ or one BLL equal to or greater than 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$.**

During the third quarter, three new medical cases were identified and are receiving case management services by a PHN. These are DHS CLPPB defined cases, based on the child's blood lead level, which require an Environmental Investigation (EI) of the home to identify lead sources.

- **Provide an estimated 60 Lead Poisoning Consultation (LPC) site visits by In-Home Consultants to families of children with blood lead levels between 10-20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$. Site visits consist of in-home one-on-one education, visual survey of the home, health and housing education material and a sample test kit for those who are CSA property owners.**

During the third quarter, 13 families received LPC site visits by In-Home Consultants for a to date total of 52.

- **Provide an estimated 75 health education encounters by In-Home Consultants to families with children with blood lead levels between 10-20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$. Encounters consist of phone visits providing health and housing education, with follow-up mailings of educational materials.**

During this third quarter, six health education encounters were provided by In-Home Consultants for a to date total of 25. The total number of elevated blood lead levels between 10-20 mcg/dL has been lower than anticipated which has resulted in a lower than expected number of health education encounters to date.

- **Evaluate and refer to the Case Review Working Group (CRWG) medical and educational cases referred by the Case Management Coordinator for review.**

All new medical cases were referred to CRWG this quarter. These cases were evaluated for financial services, lead remediation and consultation by housing staff.

- **Conduct an estimated 30 Environmental Investigations (EI) for identified medical cases to identify the source of lead poisoning.**

During this third quarter, eight Environmental Investigations were conducted for DHS defined medical cases, for a to date total of 34.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES/CLPPB		
BLOOD LEAD SCREENING: Assure Blood Lead Level screening of Alameda County children at risk for lead poisoning	COUNTYWIDE OBJECTIVE	
	Completed	Objective
Evaluate all blood lead screenings	4,800	10,000
CASE MANAGEMENT: Decrease Blood Lead Levels of lead burdened children		
Provide Public Health Nurse Care Management Services to all children with an EBLL \geq 15 μ g/dL (60 estimated)	43	60
Number of DHS defined medical cases identified during the quarter	3	N/A
Provide LPC site visits to all children with an EBLL 10–20 μ g/dL (60 estimated)	52	60
Provide IHC education encounters (75 estimated)	25	75
Evaluate and refer to CRWG all medical and selected educational cases referred by the Case Management Coordinator.	8	N/A
Conduct 30 Environmental Investigations to identify the source of lead poisoning (30 estimated)	34	30

COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTREACH

Program staff will educate the residents and service providers of Alameda County on lead hazards in an effort to significantly decrease the number of children at risk for lead poisoning.

- **Provide 20 educational presentations to parent groups. These presentations may include the Women, Infants and Children program (WIC), Head Start sites, parent groups, prenatal clinics/classes, managed care programs, daycare providers and schools in Alameda County.**

Staff conducted thirteen educational presentations to parent classes this quarter for a to date total of 34. Classes were conducted at Head Start and WIC locations in Hayward, Oakland, Fremont, Union City, and San Leandro. A total of 224 parents were reached and received lead educational materials.

In addition, staff conducted the following outreach:

Program staff conducted a lead education “train-the-trainer” presentation to ACORN in order for their members to provide lead education to families at a 65-unit apartment building in Oakland. In addition, Program staff is collaborating with the Environmental Protection Agency to provide lead education to families residing around the AMCO Superfund site in West Oakland. Total number of individuals reached 71.

Staff continues to conduct monthly site visits to WIC offices and clinics to replenish literature racks. These sites are located at the Alameda County Eastmont Wellness Center in Oakland; on Telegraph Avenue in Oakland; at the Alameda County Winton Wellness Center in Hayward; and at the Axis Clinic in Pleasanton, for a total of 16 site visits for this quarter.

- **Attend five collaborative meetings with service providers, including Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP) and Alameda County Public Health Department staff.**

Staff attended one Health & Advisory Committee meeting convened by the City of Oakland Head Start Program for a to date total of seven. Meetings are attended by medical and child care providers as well as public health and community organizations. Staff ensures that ongoing lead testing remains a critical focus of these agencies which serve children who are at risk for lead poisoning.

A Letter of Agreement between ACLPPP and the City of Oakland Head Start Program was signed for the fiscal years 2006-2007 and 2007-2008. The purpose of the Letter of Agreement is to coordinate lead education and outreach activities for families of high risk children enrolled in Head Start and to provide ongoing training on lead poisoning to Head Start staff.

Staff attended the Community Health Worker and Health Educator Networking meeting this quarter. Members include Health Educators and Community Health Workers within the Alameda County safety net system (e.g., community health centers, county public health agency, etc.). The meeting provides a forum to promote the Lead Program's mission and services to other agencies that serve children at risk for lead poisoning.

DEPARTMENT HEALTH SERVICES/CLPPB (continued)		
	Completed	Objective
COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTREACH: Educate Alameda County residents and service providers on the health risks posed by lead hazards		
Provide 20 presentations on lead issues to residents and service providers	34	20
Attend five collaborative meetings with service providers.	7	5

Medical Provider Outreach

Staff will work with medical providers to incorporate targeted blood lead screening as a component of comprehensive pediatric care.

- **Identify and provide lead education workshops to an estimated 100 medical providers in Alameda County serving children who are eligible for publicly-funded programs.**
Objective completed in the first quarter.

Staff participated in a training to providers that was hosted by the Providers Training Collaborative (PTC) during the third quarter. While the training topic focused on Dental Care, it provided an opportunity to disseminate pertinent information on lead screening to providers who serve the high risk children in Alameda County. The training was attended by 26 providers from throughout Alameda County.

- **Conduct 70 lead educational sessions to medical providers at their offices.**
Staff visited 15 medical providers in the cities of Alameda, Hayward, Union City, Fremont, Oakland, San Leandro, Pleasanton and Livermore during this quarter to provide educational materials and determine additional technical or educational needs of the staff for a to date total of 53. Medical providers were supplied with posters on other potential sources of lead, including Mexican candies, to post in waiting areas and to hand out to patients.
- **Provide technical assistance on regulations, legal responsibilities on lead poisoning and screening, as indicated, to approximately 12 medical providers per year.**
Technical assistance was provided to two providers during this second quarter for a to date total of 10. Issues of concern revolved around medical management of lead poisoned patients, new sources of lead hazards, adult lead poisoning, testing criteria and case management services available to clients.

- **Provide lead awareness education to 50 health care students.**

Staff hosted a visit from two pediatric medical residents from Kaiser Permanente Oakland this quarter. These providers spend a half-day with a Public Health Nurse to obtain first-hand experience of lead poisoning from the family and community side of health care. The premise of this arrangement with Kaiser is that providers will be more inclined to take lead poisoning and screening seriously after seeing first hand the families that are affected by it. It is an eye-opening experience for these new providers, and they are encouraged to incorporate key messages about lead poisoning and screening into their professional practices.

Staff conducted a presentation to a group of 11 nursing students and instructors from one local nursing school, California State University East Bay. Students are encouraged to incorporate key messages about lead poisoning and screening into their future practices within the health profession. In addition, five nursing students shadowed ACLPPP nursing staff for an in-depth learning experience of the impact of lead poisoning on families, communities and society.

- **Coordinate the forum for Regional Bay Area Lead Programs to share resources, foster coalitions, influence policy changes, and receive updated information from the State CLPP Branch regarding legislation, regulations, national trends, and technical assistance.**

The third meeting of this fiscal year was held on January 26, 2007 at the ACLPPP office for a to date total of three. The meeting was attended by health, environmental and housing representatives from local Bay Area Lead Programs as well as representatives from the State DHS CLPPB who provided the local programs with an update on state issues.

DEPARTMENT HEALTH SERVICES/CLPPB (continued)		
	Completed	Objective
MEDICAL PROVIDER COMMUNITY MARKETING: Incorporate blood lead screening as a component of comprehensive pediatric care to increase demand for blood lead screening among high-risk clients		
Identify and provide lead education workshops to an estimated 100 medical providers in Alameda County	163	100
Conduct 70 lead educational sessions to medical providers at their offices	53	70
Provide technical assistance on regulations, legal responsibilities on lead poisoning and screening to approximately 12 medical providers per year	10	12
Provide lead awareness education to 50 health care students	40	50
Coordinate four meetings of the Regional Bay Area Lead Nurses	3	4

DHS ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OBJECTIVES

- **Maintain Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP) and Women Infant & Children (WIC) to cross advocate for comprehensive care and to increase lead screening.**

Staff has initiated a project with CHDP to assess lead screening rates of medical providers in Alameda County. This project grew out of a report by a local WIC office that some providers were discouraging lead screening to their clients. After being alerted by WIC staff, ACLPPP met with the CHDP program staff and it was decided to gather data and analyze screening rates of individual Alameda County medical providers in order to develop a plan of action in collaboration with CHDP and WIC. The collaborative met this quarter to discuss and plan strategies. Data analysis of lead screening rates by provider continues with the Medi-Cal Managed Care Programs (Alameda Alliance for Health and Blue Cross of California), and simultaneously, a

provider flyer is being developed by the collaborative to present a unified message to providers about increasing lead screening rates.

- **Re-negotiate MOUs with the Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD) & Environmental Health Services (EHS).**
MOUs have been re-negotiated with ACPHD and EHS and are in effect until June 30, 2008.
- **Re-negotiate MOU with the City of Berkeley Health Department.**
The City of Berkeley Health Department, in coordination with the ACLPPP, agreed to develop a letter of commitment. This process was completed during the first quarter.
- **Attend all State-sponsored CLPPB technology subcommittee meetings to provide feedback for the development of the State's RASSCLE II database system.**
The RASSCLE II database system is currently operational. Staff continue to work with CLPPB on the testing and review process of data, including electronic blood lead level result alerts (live time), and the identification of database glitches/bugs.
- **Develop a special project with the Head Start Program to increase lead awareness and screening rates.**
This quarter, City of Oakland Head Start Program hired a new Health Coordinator. ACLPPP staff has met with the new Health Coordinator to further develop the partnership on the special lead awareness and screening project.

DHS ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES	
Maintain MOU with the Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP) & WIC to cross advocate for comprehensive care and to increase lead screening.	Ongoing
Re-negotiate MOU with the Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD) & Environmental Health Services (EHS).	Completed
Participate in all State-sponsored CLPPB technology subcommittee meetings to provide feedback for the new RASSCLE II database system	Completed
Develop a special project with the Head Start Program to increase lead awareness and screening rates.	Ongoing

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

HUD ROUND XIII - LEAD HAZARD CONTROL

On September 21, 2005, the ACLPPP was awarded a three-year, \$3 million dollar grant to continue the **Partnerships for Affordable Lead-Safe Housing** project. The contract for this HUD Round XIII grant began November 1, 2005.

Over the three year grant period, the ACLPPP and its partners will perform over 300 risk assessment paint inspections, complete lead hazard control in 200 housing units, educate 2,850 individuals regarding lead hazards and lead safety, and provide lead-related skills trainings to 40 individuals.

The ACLPPP and its partners will match the \$3.0 million in funding from the HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control with \$1,851,505 in local funds, which includes in-kind contributions and hard costs associated with housing rehabilitation and other work which complements the lead hazard control activity.

The ACLPPP is working with property owner's associations to increase rental property owners' knowledge of lead-based paint hazards and associated responsibilities. Outreach and education will be carried out by ACLPPP staff and partnering organizations. The ACLPPP will work with local workforce development organizations to ensure that very low and low-income individuals are included in the expansion of the lead-qualified workforce necessary to implement HUD's Lead-Safe Housing Rule.

The objectives for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 are:

- **Complete lead evaluations of 121 eligible housing units.**

Lead evaluations were completed on 10 housing units enrolled in the HUD XIII program this quarter for a to date total of 102 housing units this fiscal year.

To date, the ACLPPP has approved applications for the financing of lead hazard control of 154 units of housing, 129 of which are still active or have been completed. Of the active or completed units, 77 are in Oakland, 45 are in Berkeley, six are in Emeryville and one is in Alameda. Fifteen units of housing identified by the City of Oakland Residential Lending and Rehabilitation Services Department are still active or have been completed. Of these, seven have been completed. The City of Alameda has completed one unit with 12 units in progress.

Lead evaluations have been performed on the majority of these active units. Most properties approved to date have four or fewer units, with the exception of one 28 unit property owned by an affordable housing provider. Twenty of the approved units are associated with a child with an elevated blood lead level, including one that participated in the City of Oakland program.

- **Complete lead hazard control in 80 units of privately owned housing through the following components:**

The ACLPPP and its City Partners will treat lead hazards in eligible housing under the following two components:

- Controlling Lead Hazards in Highest-Risk Housing: Treat lead hazards in housing related to lead-poisoned children, or in the highest risk neighborhoods, or substandard housing identified by code enforcement partners.
- Strengthening Affordable, Lead-Safe Housing Infrastructure: Increase the supply of lead-safe housing in collaboration with local housing authorities, housing rehabilitation programs, non-profit affordable housing providers, and private investors by providing loans and technical assistance for lead hazard control.

Thirty-seven units were completed and cleared during this quarter with nine more under contract as of the end of the quarter. Twenty-six of the units were part of a 28 unit project in Berkeley owned by an affordable housing provider. Six units were at properties associated with an elevated blood lead level child. Sixty-seven units have been completed this fiscal year, with a total of 73 units completed under the current grant since November 2005.

Marketing efforts included presentations at property owner meetings such as through the housing authorities and rental housing associations, mailings to Section 8 landlords and other targeted mailings, and advertisements in property oriented publications. This type of marketing has been effective at reaching the smaller rental property owners who participate in the Section 8 program and join the local rental property associations.

Direct contact has also been made with affordable housing providers which has yielded several approved projects.

- **Provide education to increase awareness of lead poisoning and lead hazards at 123 events.**

This quarter a total of 28 lead education events were held reaching 517 individuals for a to date total of 95 events, reaching 1,297 individuals. Presentations were made to 474 rental property owners and two USEPA staff members to increase their awareness of Program services including the lead hazard control funding. Twenty-three tenants were also provided with lead education through ACORN’s door-to-door education campaign. One family enrolled in the HUD Lead Hazard Control Program also received health education. In addition, the numbers reported under this objective include the health education of 17 families of children with elevated blood lead levels that are also reported in the DHS section of this report.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT		
HUD XIII	Completed	Objective
Complete lead evaluations of 121 eligible housing units	102	121
Complete lead hazard control in 80 units of privately owned housing	67	80
Provide education to increase awareness of lead poisoning and lead hazards at 123 events.	95	123

HUD ROUND XIV – HEALTHY HOMES

On September 18, 2006, the Program was awarded \$1 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to conduct a three year project to demonstrate an improvement in the health status of children and adolescents diagnosed with asthma/respiratory distress by combining education and low-cost housing intervention with the concurrent medical model. An improvement in health status will be demonstrated by quarterly evaluations of participants from Children's Hospital and Research Center at Oakland; a self-reported reduction in the frequency of emergency room visits; and by asthma severity status reports. Alameda County garnered one of four grants in this national competition under the HUD Healthy Homes Demonstration category.

The following are the principle partners for this Project: 1) the **Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement** will perform visual assessments, environmental sampling, health education, and follow up in participants’ homes; 2) **Richard Heath and Associates** will implement weatherization interventions in the homes of asthmatic children; 3) the **City of Berkeley Housing Department** will conduct weatherization in the City of Berkeley; 4) the **Manos Janitorial Cooperative** will provide environmental treatment services; 5) the **Community Energy Services Corporation** will provide environmental treatment, minor home repair, and ventilation improvement services; 6) the **Oakland Housing Authority** will provide minor home repair and ventilation improvement services in public housing units; and 7) **Children’s Hospital and Research Center at Oakland** will conduct retrospective and prospective data studies on hospitalization/emergency room visits of participants for asthma and injuries.

During the third quarter, the Program has moved the Project into the implementation phase. Through the County process, additional contracts were developed and approved with Children’s Hospital and EMSL Analytical, Inc. HUD requested some additional explanation of the Project Work Plan that was completed and submitted last quarter. The Project has received a new Government Technical Representative (GTR) from HUD. The new GTR is Susan Horowitz.

To ensure that the changes in the HUD web-based quarterly reporting system are met, staff has reviewed the existing Healthy Homes database and submitted requests for modifications to ensure that reports are accurate and complete and that data extraction is efficient. The database modifications have been completed and are scheduled for installation and implementation in early April.

The objectives for this project for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 are:

- **Identify and select 70 homes of children who meet the medical criteria for inclusion into the project.**
The Project began accepting referrals from providers on March 6. By the end of the third quarter, 20 referrals had been received. These referrals came from sources including Children's Hospital and Research Center in Oakland, Alameda County Asthma Start, Alameda County Social Services, Kaiser Permanente Oakland, Hayward Unified School District and various physicians' offices. Upon review of the referral forms by the Project Manager, 19 were accepted for participation in the Project and one of the referred clients was ineligible for participation in the Project because the residence is in Contra Costa County.
- **Assess 70 homes for environmental intervention.**
Six homes were assessed during the third quarter for intervention. Included in the housing assessment was dust sampling for dust mite and cockroach allergens. The samples have been forwarded to EMSL Analytical laboratory for analysis. All homes assessed during this quarter will receive allergen reduction and safety improvements and half of these homes will receive ventilation improvements.
- **Provide Maintenance/Safety Kits and in-home education to 65 families.**
Six families were educated using the updated Healthy Homes curriculum and provided with a Healthy Homes Maintenance kit. The Kit contents will be installed in the home during allergen reduction treatment.
- **Train 70 Project staff, partners and community members on the Healthy Homes concept.**
A series of trainings took place during the third quarter to prepare Project staff, partnering staff, and Program staff for Project implementation. A total of 104 Project staff, partners and community members were trained:
 - *“Essentials of Healthy Homes – Practitioners Course”* – As a result of a collaboration with the National Center for Healthy Housing, Project staff were trained in the two-day *“Essentials of Healthy Homes – Practitioners Course”* as described in last quarter's report. Thirty-two persons were trained in this class during January. Of these persons, 23 were management and operations personnel from the Oakland Housing Authority, four were Project staff, three were members of a UC Berkeley Healthy Homes project in Monterey County, and two were consultants.
An additional offering of this class, *“Essentials of Healthy Homes – Practitioners Course”* was provided during March in Monterey County through an agreement with the University of California, Berkeley to assist researchers in bringing the Healthy Homes message to farm workers. There were 19 participants in this class. Of these participants, 15 were from the Monterey County Environmental Health Department, one was from ClearCorps in Minneapolis, one was a nurse from Indiana, and two were from a community-based law organization.
 - *Healthy Homes Issues for Program staff* (Info line) - a four-hour overview presentation was provided to Program staff to fulfill their need to become more familiar with the Healthy Homes concept. The information that staff received will be used to assist Infoline callers with questions concerning other issues that are not lead-related. Nine Program staff attended this training.
 - *Asthma 101*- Project partner Children's Hospital and Research Center at Oakland provided a 1-1/2 hour training which afforded seven Project and seven Program staff an overview of the etiology, symptoms, and treatment of asthma.

- *Health Effects of Childhood Lead Poisoning* - Program Public Health Nurses provided a two-hour course for Project staff and nursing students from California State University of the East Bay. Eleven persons were in attendance. Of these, seven were nursing students, two were Project staff and two were Program Public Health Nurses and the City of Berkeley.
- *Collection of allergen dust samples* – Three Project staff members were provided with training on the collection and submittal of dust samples for allergens. This training was provided in-house by the Project Manager.
- *Radon – impact, source, mitigation* – The California Department of Health Services, Indoor Radon Program, a Project partner, provided a two hour presentation on radon for four Program and seven Project staff.
- *Child Safety and Injury Prevention* – A child safety consultant from Safe and Sound Children, a Project partner, provided a 1-1/2 hour presentation on child safety issues in the home environment for six Program and seven Project staff.
- *Child Abuse Prevention* – An Alameda County Child Protection Services provided an overview of child abuse and the procedure for reporting abuse to the appropriate authorities. Twenty-five Program and Project staff attended this presentation.
- *Weatherization services and measures* – A representative of Richard Heath & Associates, a Project partner, provided a presentation to four Program and six Project staff concerning the requirements for qualification to weatherization programs and the measures that can be applied to qualifying homes. Richard Heath & Associates administers the weatherization program statewide for Pacific Gas and Electric.
- *Mercury – effects, prevention, and clean-up* – The Project’s Community Education Coordinator provided training on the health effects and clean-up of mercury to Project Staff. Two Project team members attended this training.
- *Integrated Pest Management* – Twelve Project and partner staff, and seven Program staff attended a one-hour presentation on Integrated Pest Management provided by the Alameda County Public Health Department Vector Control Services.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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HUD XIV	Completed	Objective
Identify and select 70 homes of children meeting the medical criteria for inclusion into the project.	20	70
Assess 70 homes for environmental intervention.	6	70
Provide Maintenance/Safety Kits and in-home education to 65 families.	6	65
Train 70 project staff, partners and community members on the Healthy Homes concept.	104	70

HUD XIV ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OBJECTIVES

- **Develop, maintain and process evaluate the Project through quarterly meetings of the Healthy Homes Consortium.**
 The first Project Consortium meeting was held on March 29, 2007. Project partners and community members were provided with an overview of the Project to date. The meeting provided an opportunity for Partners to meet and network with each other, and understand and appreciate the scope of the Project. A presentation was provided by Richard Heath and Associates concerning the eligibility for weatherization services and the measures that are provided to families. The meeting agenda included a request for

suggestions and comments from meeting participants in order to improve service delivery to participants. The next Consortium meeting was set for late June.

HUD XIV ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OBJECTIVES

Develop, maintain and process evaluate the Project through quarterly meetings of the Healthy Homes Consortium	Ongoing
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MULTI-FUNDED OBJECTIVES

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

The Program's Housing and Health components' outreach and education activities, where resources are combined to increase communities' awareness of lead hazards, were combined again this fiscal year. The funding sources for the following activities originate from both the CSA and the California Department of Health Services, thus increasing the Program's ability to maximize its Public Education and Outreach capabilities:

- **Record 15,000 visits to the Program's website. This reflects the number of times the web site is used as a resource to the public. The Program website is located at www.aclppp.org.**

A total of 8,337 visits were made to the Program's website during the last quarter for a to date total of 21,125. The number of visits to the website continues to increase each quarter as staff work on adding a Program link to other websites and refer callers to the website for more information. The website address is also included on all outreach flyers.

The new website design went on-line this quarter. The new format, at the same address (www.aclppp.org), is now organized so that the information is easier to find; the home page was upgraded with graphics; and a new calendar system has been created. Staff is continuing to work on updating information, increasing resources on the site and making services more accessible through the website.

- **Provide responses to 1,000 Information Line calls.**

A total of 313 calls to the Information Line were answered this quarter for a to date total of 961. A total of 235 calls this quarter originated within the four CSA cities and 78 came from other cities. There were calls involving unsafe work practices complaints at 16 properties during this quarter: One in Alameda, five in Berkeley, six in Oakland and four in other cities. These represent a range of situations and severity. Information on immediate precautionary steps is provided and a pro-active approach is taken to contact the other individuals involved, including property owners and contractors. At a minimum, callers are provided with information and referrals, and in many cases, the Program's work results in the stopping of unsafe work practices, clean-up of lead hazards and more informed property owners and contractors.

All callers to the information line are encouraged to take preventative measures and to utilize program services, including the in-home consultation, HEPA vacuum and lead-safe painting classes.

- **Participate in 75 public education activities.**

Program staff participated in 46 public education events in order to provide lead awareness information. These included presentations at Head Start, WIC and school parent's meetings, Rental Housing Association and Apartment Owner's Association meetings and information booths at community fairs. Details of specific events are listed in the monthly reports. The ACLPPP has participated in a total of 128 public

education events this year. These events provide face-to-face education and help to increase the utilization of program services.

- Distribute information and literature at 35 community centers, of which 24 will be libraries.**
 Fifty-two libraries, community centers and WIC offices were re-stocked with lead educational materials. Educational materials emphasize the importance of screening children for lead, identifying sources of lead in the home and Program services available. Materials are provided in several languages to reflect the needs of the local community.
- Place 100 Media Outreach and Educational messages.**
 A total of 28 media spots were placed during the quarter, including display ads and community calendar listings for a to date total of 108. Some additional media efforts conducted this quarter included ads in the WaSung Community Directory, the Oakland Tribune Almanac, an article in the Berkeley Property Owners Association and an interview on the Alameda Currents Cable TV Program in Alameda.
- Provide 1,000 of the ACLPPP produced booklets “Guide to Lead-Safe Housing for Tenants and First Time Home Buyers” to organizations serving tenants.**
 A total of 75 Tenant Guides were provided to public health clinics in Hayward and San Leandro this quarter bringing the to date total of 1,750 guides provided to agencies. Copies of the guide are also provided to individual callers and families.

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH													
GOALS & OBJECTIVES		OBJECTIVES BY CITY											
	Alameda		Berkeley		Emeryville		Oakland		Rest of County		Total		
	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	Done	Goal	
Record 9,000 visits to the Program Web site	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	21,125	15,000
Provide information line services to 1,000 individuals	77	99	236	198	7	9	436	594	205	100	961	1,000	
Participate in 75 public education events	2	7	15	15	1	1	79	45	31	7	128	75	
Distribute educational materials in 30 community centers, including libraries	4	4	8	7	3	1	29	20	8	3	52	35	
Place 100 media outreach and education spots	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	108	100	
Provide 1,000 “Guide to Lead-Safe Housing for Tenants and First Tie Home Buyers” booklets.	210	99	63	198	15	9	1,102	594	360	100	1,750	1,000	

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES

- **Provide quarterly analysis of any significant fluctuation in objective outcome numbers.**

Overall, the public education objectives were again exceeded this quarter. Info. Line calls increased in the City of Alameda and Emeryville. Some of the Alameda calls may be due to increased outreach efforts with elementary school children in Alameda, the Alameda Currents Cable TV interview and the lead-safe painting class held at the new Main Branch Library.

Visits to the Program website again increased possibly due to staff efforts to increase the number of links to the website on other community organizations' sites. The website format was also upgraded and made more user-friendly this quarter.

Staff monitors each objective, and its progress is reviewed at monthly outreach and education staff meetings. Program staff continues to complete an Info-Line log for each call received, and education outreach report forms are filled out for each program event in which it participates.

- **Build and sustain partnerships with the First Time Home Buyers (FTHB) programs by providing staff training, lead presentations messages and copies of the "Guide to Lead-Safe Housing for Tenants and First Time Home Buyers."**

Staff continues to make the "Guide to Lead-Safe Housing for Tenants and First Time Home Buyers" available to City and community-based organizations that are conducting workshops for first time home buyers. The Guide is now available in Spanish and has been distributed to local organizations.

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES

Provide quarterly analysis of any fluctuation in objective outcome numbers	Ongoing
Build and sustain partnerships with First Time Home Buyers programs	Ongoing

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE AND ENFORCEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL CASE RESPONSE

The ACLPPP brings together health, environmental, and housing staff to address properties associated with a child with a blood lead level meeting the public health nursing case management criteria. Properties are monitored for compliance and technical assistance is provided to occupants and rental property owners. A Case Review Working Group, made up of public health nursing staff and environmental and housing specialists, meets regularly to review the child's progress toward treatment goals, update the team on the status of lead hazard control work, and develop strategies and action plans to reduce the child's housing-related lead exposure.

An ACLPPP environmental or housing specialist will work with occupants and rental property owners to explain the location of lead hazards, assist with prioritization and options for treatment, and provide information about available services and referral information to other resources.

- **Review an estimated 60 units where a child with an elevated blood lead level meeting public health case management criteria has been identified.**

Twenty-four units were reviewed by the Case Review Working Group this quarter. Eight of these were reviewed for the first time this quarter. Environmental Investigations were performed on eight units.

Property-related hazards were identified at six of these units. No property-related hazards were identified at two of these units.

At the end of the quarter, the Program was seeking access to conduct Environmental Investigations at three units. In addition, one unit which represents a new address for an elevated blood lead level child is being monitored. Environmental Investigations will be performed at the new address should the blood lead level rise to 15 micrograms per deciliter or higher.

During the quarter, four units were closed to case review monitoring without an Environmental Investigation. Three of these were closed when the medical case closed without a blood lead level of 15 micrograms per deciliter or higher being associated with the child's new address. One unit was a secondary address (grandmother's) that was closed when access was not provided and it was reported by the family that the child no longer spends time at that address.

This fiscal year, 54 units have been reviewed by Case Review Working Group and 34 Environmental Investigations have been performed.

As of the end of the quarter, 14 units were open to case review.

- **Provide technical assistance to occupants and rental property owners of an estimated 24 units.** Housing specialists provided technical assistance to owners or occupants of seven units this quarter, two of which were newly identified during the quarter. Four units where lead hazards were identified near the end of the last quarter are expected to receive technical assistance in the coming quarter.

Three units, where lead hazard control was either completed or under construction this quarter, were participating in the HUD XIII Lead Hazard Control Grant Program.

- **Document clearance of 18 units where lead hazards were identified through an Environmental Investigation or follow-up investigation.** Three units achieved clearance this quarter for a to date total of 21 units cleared. ACLPPP housing specialists worked with occupants and rental property owners to explain the location of lead hazards, assist with prioritization and options for treatment and provide information about available services and referral information to other resources.

ENFORCEMENT REFERRALS

When a property meeting enforcement referral guidelines does not achieve clearance within the established timeframes, the property is reviewed for enforcement under the ACLPPP's Enforcement Response Policy (ERP). Under a Memorandum of Understanding with the Alameda County Environmental Health Services department (EHS), the ACLPPP may refer all non-compliant properties to EHS for enforcement with the exception of those within the City of Berkeley. The City of Berkeley has its own Public Health Jurisdiction.

EHS' responses to a referral from the ACLPPP may include a pre-enforcement meeting with the owner and ACLPPP staff, a Notice to Abate, and a referral to the District Attorney. ACLPPP housing and environmental staff attends the EHS pre-enforcement meeting with owners to report on the status of lead hazards at the property and advice on lead hazard control strategy. ACLPPP and EHS staffs share information regarding changes in the status of the property or the medical case.

- **Refer eligible properties to Environmental Health for enforcement.**

As of the end of the quarter, five units with identified lead hazards exceeded the timeline established in the State Department of Health Services guidance for achieving clearance.

Two properties were referred to Environmental Health for enforcement this quarter. One unit is participating in the HUD XIII Lead Hazard Control program and is expected to clear in the next quarter. The owner of the other unit has made some progress towards correcting lead hazards but has not completed the work within established timeframes. This owner has received a warning letter from Environmental Health and will be scheduled for a pre-enforcement meeting with Environmental Health if the hazards are not corrected in a timely manner.

Of the remaining three properties, one is currently vacant and the owner has declared his intent to replace the building with new construction. One unit was approved for the HUD XIII Lead Hazard Control Program and is expected to close to review in the next quarter. The remaining unit is in the City of Berkeley, which is determining what action should be taken.

ENVIRONMENTAL CASE RESPONSE		
	Completed	Objective
Review an estimated 60 units where a child with a blood lead level meeting the public health nursing case management criteria.	54	60
Provide technical assistance to occupants and rental property owners of an estimated 24 units.	19	24
Document clearance of 18 units where property owners were provided with technical assistance.	21	18
Refer eligible properties to Environmental Health for enforcement.	2	N/A

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE AND ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES
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The California Health and Safety and Civil Codes now include lead hazards in the definition of substandard housing and provide the authority for local code compliance, public health, and environmental health agencies to investigate and require treatment of lead hazards. The ACLPPP developed an Enforcement Response Policy which was submitted to the State of California Department of Health Services in July. The Enforcement Response Policy is designed to promote lead-safe work practices and compliance with lead safety regulations by working with local code enforcement departments and developing an inter-agency referral system. The ACLPPP also provides technical assistance to local building departments in the enforcement of lead regulations.

- **Update and enhance Enforcement Response Policy**

- Assembly Bill 2861

- Assembly Bill 2861 became effective January 1, 2007. AB 2861 clarifies options relating to the creation of lead hazards in violation of a Cease and Desist Order or an Order to Abate. It also provides that subsequent violations are a misdemeanor subject to a \$5,000 fine and/or six months imprisonment. This provides an additional tool for the correction of lead hazards in homes, and in November the ACLPPP met with Susan Torrence, Deputy District Attorney from the Consumer and Environmental Protection Division, and Ron Browder, Chief of Environmental Protection at the Environmental Health Services Department, to discuss the impact of this change. In March the ACLPPP was notified of a staffing change in the District Attorney's office, with Deputy District Attorney Alyce Sandbach taking over responsibility for lead poisoning issues. No current enforcement cases have reached the District Attorney level.

Enforcement Procedures

With the participation of the Environmental Health Department, the ACLPPP completed updates procedures for Environmental Investigations, compliance monitoring, technical assistance and enforcement referrals in order to implement State Department of Health Services guidelines and establish timeframes and responsibilities. These procedures were implemented on March 28.

Inter-agency Cooperation

In an effort to address lead hazards in properties deemed distressed, the ACLPPP has been in discussion with the City of Oakland Neighborhood Law Corps and through its HUD XIII Lead Hazard Control grant has been working on a community outreach and education project with the Oakland Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN).

In the prior quarter the ACLPPP began working with both Oakland ACORN and the Neighborhood Law Corps regarding a 56 unit apartment complex on Foothill Boulevard where three lead-poisoned children have been identified in the past. This 1947 complex has many low-income families with young children. ACORN has been working with tenants at this complex for over a year seeking correction of pest infestation and building deficiencies. The owner did not follow through on a Compliance Plan agreement and the City of Oakland has filed a civil lawsuit against the owner. On January 11, City Attorney John Russo and Councilmember Ignacio de La Fuente held a press conference at the site to announce the lawsuit and reiterate the City's determination to have building deficiencies, including lead hazards, corrected at the property.

The ACLPPP has met with the owner both at the site and in the office and offered program services including application assistance with the HUD XIII Lead Hazard Control program. The owner has used the Home Lead Sampling Kit to do some testing that confirmed lead-based paint and lead-contaminated soil at the property. Based on prior testing by the ACLPPP at the property and the more recent test results provided by the owner, deteriorated paint and bare soil which can be presumed to be lead hazards have not been corrected.

On February 10, the ACLPPP, in conjunction with ACORN organizing efforts, participated in an outreach and education event at the property. ACLPPP conducted a lead awareness training with on-site tenant leaders, went door-to-door with ACORN staff and the tenant leaders to talk to the tenants, provided basic lead messages, and surveyed the families for numbers of children under six in residence, blood lead screening, and access to health care in order to evaluate screening needs.

Sixty percent of the 23 families contacted had one or more children under six. Of the 19 children, all but two were reported to have access to medical care, with approximately half reported to have been tested for elevated blood lead levels. ACORN tenant leaders are contacting the remaining tenants to gather more information.

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE AND ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES	
Update and enhance Enforcement Response Policy.	Ongoing

TRAINING

In response to regulations at both the federal and state level, the Program modified its approach to training. HUD and EPA have de-emphasized certification in favor of basic skills training for most lead-related construction work. Consequently, the Program has changed its training offerings in response to this emphasis,

while continuing to offer some accredited classes leading to certification. Certification is still required to perform permanent abatement of lead hazards and interim controls in the homes of lead poisoned children.

Funding for these efforts come from a number of sources, including CSA, HUD grants and through Fee-for-Service. CSA funding allows CSA property owners free attendance in the one-day Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting class. The HUD funding allows the Program to provide training to partnering agencies and low income individuals. The Fee-for-Service option is available to contractors and others outside the CSA.

The Program is concentrating its training efforts this fiscal year on the following:

State-accredited training: This training is an initial requirement to certification. Currently, the Program routinely offers two state-accredited training classes: A five-day Supervisor/Project Monitor class and a three-day Worker class. The Program will offer each class at least once per year. These trainings will continue to be marketed to construction tradespersons, workforce development programs working with low-income individuals, community-based organizations, and state and local government staff.

- **Provide two state-accredited trainings: one supervisor/project monitor and one worker classes.**
During this quarter, no state-accredited classes were provided. Most often, participants in this class are referred to the ACLPPP through the California Department of Health Services website of accredited training providers. Classes have been held based on requests during the quarter. During the last quarter the Program received two requests for this training. In response to these requests, the Program is collecting the names of interested individuals in order to establish dates for training. Based on the rate at which the Program receives these requests, a class for the Supervisor/Project Monitor class has been scheduled for mid-June.

Five persons have taken a state-accredited course this fiscal year-to-date.

One-day HUD/EPA-approved Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting training: The Program is emphasizing the one-day HUD/EPA-approved Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting class. This class provides the information necessary to perform most lead-related construction work in a lead-safe manner. These classes provide the minimum requirement for personnel working on federally-assisted projects covered under Section 1012 of Title X. This includes CDBG projects, Section 8 units and paint programs. This HUD/EPA-approved one-day Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting class is offered free to CSA property owners, and CSA rental property owners and their maintenance crews.

- **Provide 12, one-day HUD/EPA approved Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting classes.**
Three classes were held this quarter, one in February and two in March. One class in March was held specifically for the Laney College Construction program. Total attendance for all classes in this quarter was 26 persons. Of these individuals, 15 were CSA property owners, three were from partnering agencies (one from the ACLPPP and two from Resources for Community Development) and seven were contractors. Ninety-six persons have attended the one-day class this fiscal year-to-date.

TRAINING		
	Completed	Objective
Two state-accredited trainings: One supervisor/project monitor and one worker class.	1	2
Twelve one-day HUD/EPA-approved Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting classes.	10	12

TRAINING ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES

- **Evaluate the marketing of the training classes.**

Program staff continues to evaluate the marketing of class offerings. When the Program has contacted specific training entities such as Laney College Construction programs and the Youth Employment Partnership, response in filling classes from these organizations is more effective. However, these programs do not receive new students on a continuing basis. Laney receives new Construction Program students at the beginning of the academic year and the Youth Employment Partnership receives new members typically in October of each year. As a result, the Program does not expect to train additional students in these programs until late in the fiscal year. CSA property owner attendance continues to provide a small but steady number of attendees (typically one to three per class). The fall and winter months have characteristically been slow months for home owner painting and remodeling projects because the weather tends to be less favorable for these projects. It is anticipated that class attendance will increase with improvement in the weather.

The California Department of Real Estate has accredited the HUD/EPA approved one-day Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting class for continuing education units (CEUs) for real estates agents and brokers. To date, no agents have attended this class for this purpose. Outreach staff continues to promote the HUD/EPA approved one-day Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair and Painting class to this segment of potential attendees.

- **Evaluate the training class delivery.**

Evaluations completed by attendees at the conclusion of classes continue to characterize the instructors as having a high level of expertise and attendees appreciate the information provided. Based on a review of student evaluations, no changes to course content or delivery have been identified at this time. Student evaluations will continue to be monitored. Evaluation review identified a request by attendees (particularly contractors) to identify the costs associated with equipment and materials required to successfully perform lead-safe work practices. A compilation of equipment costs associated lead-safe work practices has been completed and integrated into the handouts provided to class participants.

Program staff will submit a request for reaccreditation of the two-day Worker-to-Supervisor course not later than May 18 with the Program’s Accreditation Renewal Information. The California Department of Health Services allows training providers to merge the Supplemental Supervisor course with the Worker course to accomplish two parallel courses while preparing both groups for state certification. Using this approach, Program staff will able to market the combined class (Worker-Supplemental Supervisor) to contractors and allow workers and supervisors to attend the course concurrently.

TRAINING ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES	
Market and evaluate training classes	Ongoing
Evaluate the training class delivery.	Ongoing

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES

Department administrative objectives are designed to reflect efforts by the Program to enhance its mission through the expansion of collaborative relations with institutions and stakeholders at the national, state, and local levels. They also reflect efforts to strengthen the ACLPPP’s service delivery capacity, quality, and sustainability.

- **Finalize the Alameda County Strategic Plan for the Elimination of Lead Poisoning.**
The draft Alameda County Strategic Plan is being finalized for review and comment.
- **Develop and present recommendations on strategy and feasibility of future CSA fee increase.**
During the first quarter, the Program’s electoral consultants conducted the survey of a random selection of voters and property owners in the County Service Area to determine the feasibility of a CSA fee increase election. The complete survey analysis and recommendations were presented to the JPA Board of Directors at the December General Board meeting. The consultants concluded that an election was not feasible at the present time. Key among the findings was that support of the program was directly linked to awareness of program services. Consequently, Program staff has been tasked with greatly improving not only the public’s awareness of lead poisoning, but the visibility of the Program and its services.
- **Finalize and implement the Alameda County Enforcement Response Policy.**
Clarification of the role of the Alameda County District Attorney Office is vital to the development and implementation of a countywide enforcement effort. Last quarter senior staff had a productive meeting on how to utilize new state legislation to enforce the remediation of identified lead hazards on properties where lead poisoned children have been identified with Alameda County’s Deputy District Attorney for Consumer and Environmental Protection and the Alameda County Environmental Health Services Chief of Enforcement. Unfortunately, the Deputy District Attorney was re-assigned this quarter and an effort is being made to meet with her successor in the Consumer and Environmental Protection Division.
- **Formalize, through letters of agreement or Memoranda of Understanding, active partnerships with at least one additional organization addressing children’s environmental and safety hazards.**
As a result of the HUD Healthy Homes grant award, agreements and contracts have been negotiated this fiscal year with the Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement, to identify and reduce asthma triggers; and the Community Energy Services, Inc., for minor home repair. Active partnerships also have been established with Richard Heath and Associates for weatherization services; the Oakland Fire Department, for fire safety services; and the state Department of Health Services, for radon detection.
- **Complete plan to improve the quality and more effective use of the Department’s Health, Housing, and Environmental data.**
The Alameda County Information Technology Department (ITD) presented its proposal for the creation of an ACLPPP Database which would consolidate housing, environmental, and certain case-related data in one integrated database. Negotiations are proceeding on implementing the plan in stages.

ADMINISTRATIVE	
Finalize Alameda County strategic plan.	In Progress
Develop and present CSA fee increase recommendations.	Completed
Finalize and implement Enforcement Response Policy.	In Progress
Formalize at least one new partnership in children’s environmental health.	Completed
Complete data improvement plan.	In Progress