NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS Lead Safe Home Remediation Pilot Grant Program

Request for Proposal

Please take notice that the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing and Community Resources, Office of Low Income Home Energy Program has issued a Request for Proposal for the Lead Safe Home Remediation Pilot Grant Program.

PURPOSE: To address the ongoing concern of the threat of childhood lead poisoning, the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) proposes a State-funded pilot program to fund public-private partnerships to provide lead-safe repairs and support energy efficiency in residential units built prior to 1978. Eligible units include one- and two-family owner-occupied and rental units. The purpose of this program is to identify and remediate lead-based paint hazards via interim controls to prevent elevated blood lead levels in children and pregnant women. Interim controls are defined as a set of measures designed to reduce temporarily human exposure or likely exposure to lead-based paint hazards, including specialized cleaning, repairs, maintenance, painting, temporary containment, and the ongoing monitoring of lead-based paint hazards or potential hazards. The program targets municipalities in New Jersey with high reported incidence of elevated blood lead levels in children under age six.

SERVICE AREA:

The service area for this RFP is statewide. Successful applicants must demonstrate need in the municipalities they propose to serve. Priority will be given to proposals to serve areas with the highest level of need, based on the number of children under the age of six with blood lead levels of at least 10 µg/dL in Fiscal Year 2014, the most recent data available from the New Jersey Department of Health. The ten cities reporting the highest level of need are Camden, East Orange, Elizabeth, Irvington, Jersey City, Newark, Passaic, Paterson, Plainfield and Trenton; however, proposals for other areas demonstrating high need across the state will also be considered.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Non-profit 501c (3) and units of local government with experience in administering lead hazard control and/or weatherization assistance programs and are a U.S. EPA certified Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) firm.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SESSION: On **Friday, August 19, 2016** and Wednesday, **August 24, 2016** from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Community Affairs' Conference Room 129. **Attendance to the TA Session is mandatory.** Applicants who do not attend the TA session will not be permitted to submit an application. Please RSVP by email to Xin "Leo" Li at Xin.Li@dca.nj.gov.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: September 9, 2016 on SAGE.

The grant application will be available on or about the week of **August 15**, **2016** on the Department's System for Administering Grants Electronically (SAGE) (https://dcasage.intelligrants.com)