



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. _____

RESOLUTION

R125 - 2024

Introduced by the Administration on July 24, 2024

Authorizes Lead Grant Application

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown,

WHEREAS, the Department of Community and Economic Development is desirous of submitting a formal application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant of Five Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$5,700,000) to support the Lead and Healthy Homes program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lead and Healthy Homes grant will allow funds to improve Low-to-Moderate income housing stock and protect children under the age of 6 from lead hazards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Allentown Department of Community and Economic Development will assure the provisions of all necessary reporting, activities and purchases.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the appropriate officer of the City of Allentown is directed to execute a certificate attesting the adoption of the Resolution and to furnish a copy of this Resolution to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

	Yea	Nay
Candida Affa		
Ce-Ce Gerlach		
Daryl Hendricks		
Santo Napoli		
Natalie Santos		
Ed Zucal		
Cynthia Y. Mota, President		
TOTAL		0

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the above copy of Resolution No. _____ was adopted by the City Council of Allentown on the 24th day of July, 2024, and is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

City Clerk

Legislative Template

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

This bill originates from the Department of Community and Economic Development/Building Standards & Safety/ Community Housing.

- Summary and facts of the bill.

The purpose of this resolution is to apply for the 2024 HUD Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes grant program funding opportunity FR-6800-N-13 to address lead paint hazards and other housing related hazards in a comprehensive fashion. This funding would permit a continuation of the current lead and healthy homes program.

- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

This bill would permit Community Housing to apply for 5.7 million dollars in HUD funding to continue the work of reducing Lead Paint and Healthy Homes Hazards in low/mod income housing stock for the protection of children under the age of 6 years.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this? What are the drawbacks?

Benefits include improved low/mod income housing stock, protection from lead paint hazards for children under the age of 6 years.

Drawbacks include: no drawbacks.

- c. How does this bill relate to the City's vision/mission/priorities?

This bill supports the priorities of Vision 2030 and the current housing study by improving the health, safety, energy efficiency and affordability of Allentown's low/mod income housing stock.

- Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. Cost (initial and ongoing)

A 10% match is required: approximately \$500,000.00 CDGB funds.

- b. Benefits (initial and ongoing)

Improved health, safety, energy efficiency and affordability of Allentown's low/mod income housing stock will contribute to stronger neighborhoods.

- Funding Sources- Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers.
If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.

A CDGB account will be set up after the grant is awarded for match purposes.
This is a reimbursable grant through eLOCCS.

- Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?

The application is due in Grant.Gov no later than 8/19/2024.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The current Lead and Healthy Homes grant (2020) has improved the health and safety of over 230 homes in Allentown. The new grant (2024) would continue the good work that has already been done and create approximately another 250 safe and healthy homes.