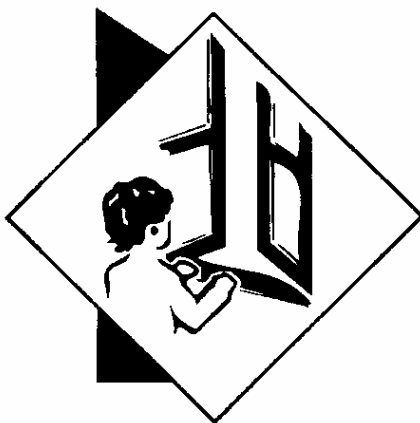


The Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program



Second Quarter Report

Fiscal Year 2006-2007

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The Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (ACLPPP) presents the second 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

During the second quarter, Governor Schwarzenegger signed Assembly Bills (AB) 1953 & 2861 into law. AB 1953, authored by Assembly Member Wilma Chan of Northern California, commencing January 1, 2010, would reduce the amount of lead used in pipes, plumbing fittings or fixtures intended to convey or dispense water for human consumption from 8% to not more than .25%. AB 2861, authored by Senator Mark Ridley-Thomas of Southern California, increases the penalty for failing to cease an activity creating a lead hazard after receiving an order from DHS by establishing a fine of as much as \$5,000 or six months in jail or both for second order of violation.

During this quarter, the California State DHS-CLPP Branch contacted the Program to establish a collaborative to update outreach education materials on home remedies, such as Greta and Azarcón. Program staff conducted three focus groups to Medi-Cal eligible populations to test their knowledge of home remedies by administering surveys. These surveys consisted of participants identifying home remedies and listing their use, and how children came into contact with them. A total of 18 people participated in the focus groups that were conducted at the Women, Infant and Children's office in Hayward and at Merritt College in Oakland. Results of the surveys were submitted to DHS for review and analysis.

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.**

Forty-four in-home lead consultation (IHC) site visits were made this past quarter, for a year to date total of 83, where staff provided the property owner with education, a visual survey and recommendations for treating any potential lead hazards. A new colorful brochure that includes the IHC application with a postage paid mailer was printed and distributed this past quarter. The application has also been translated into Spanish and distributed at events, including Day of the Dead. Our marketing plan has also included contacting Oakland PTA's to offer presentations, sending flyers home with elementary students in Alameda, sending announcements to neighborhood yahoo groups and blogs, increasing links to our website on community websites and getting the IHC brochure into new venues, including Baby's R Us. The brochures were also provided to all instructors at the Building Education Center in Berkeley. Upcoming marketing efforts include reaching out to collaborate with more parent organizations, working with the Boy Scouts of Alameda, and posting articles, announcements and displays ads in parent and community publications. Outreach to people waiting in line at the Household Hazardous Waste center in Oakland is also being done to provide lead education and information about program services.

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

A total of 76 lead testing kits were provided to CSA property owners this past quarter for a total of 130 to date. Most of these were provided in conjunction with the IHC service while some were given out to owners who come into the office or at events.

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

Two lead-safe painting and remodeling classes and two paint store staff trainings were held this past quarter. Eight classes have been conducted to date this year. The classes this past quarter took place at the Emeryville Recreation Center, the Oakland Housing Authority, and for paint store staff at Ashby Lumber and Truitt and White in Berkeley. A total of 47 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 CSA property owners utilized the HEPA vacuum cleaner last quarter for a total of 90 this year. The HEPA vacuum cleaners are available at the Program office and at the Temescal Tool Lending Library in Oakland. Staff are working to set up a new location for the HEPA vacuums in Berkeley (see administrative objective below).

- **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 1,355 “Protect Your Family” booklets were provided to rental property owners during the quarter for a year-to-date total of 2,628 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.

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

A mailing and follow-up calls were made to 35 property management companies located in Oakland, Alameda and Emeryville to offer materials, services and presentations for their staff. As a result, a presentation was made this past quarter to the Libitzky Property Management Company in Oakland.

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	5	28	29	55	4	2	45	165	83	250
Provide 300 environmental lead sampling kits	13	33	44	66	5	3	68	198	130	300
Conduct 14 lead-safe painting classes	2	1	3	3	1	1	2	9	8	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	9	27	13	54	0	2	68	162	90	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	1,000	825	256	1,650	20	75	1,352	4,950	2,628	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.**

The Berkeley Tool Lending Library staff have agreed that it would be beneficial to have the HEPA vacuum cleaner available to their clients and that they could work out the space and logistical issues. The ACLPPP contractor will pick up and clean out the vacuum after each use. There have been some delays due to restructuring in the Berkeley Public Health Department. The Berkeley Health Officer is contacting the new Berkeley Head Librarian to finalize the agreement.

- **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.**

Every In-Home Consultation (IHC) application has a place for the user to indicate how they heard about the service. The responses are tabulated monthly. They indicate that a variety of venues are effective with the most common being referrals from a friend or agency, the Berkeley Parents Network, the ACLPPP website and recent outreach efforts at the Household Hazardous Waste facility in Oakland. An evaluation form is also included with each IHC kit and these feedback forms continue to indicate that those who have utilized the IHC service rate it highly.

Marketing efforts have increased this past quarter with the printing of 15,000 new brochures, outreach to PTA's and other parent groups, utilization of neighborhood yahoo groups and blogs to post announcements about CSA services and outreach to people waiting in line at the Household Hazardous Waste facility in Oakland.

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

Test kit distribution increased this past quarter due to efforts to provide them directly to property owners at events. The number of in-home consultations decreased due to a slow month in December and clients who opted to defer their consultation until after the holidays.

Marketing of the IHC service needs to continue to increase, particularly in Alameda and Oakland in order to meet the objectives. Efforts are underway to increase outreach in these cities through PTA's, the Boy Scouts, Household Hazardous Waste, neighborhood groups and parent organizations.

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 with elevated blood lead levels (EBLLs) throughout Alameda County. 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 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 956 test results for elevated blood leads received during this quarter for a total of 2,857 to date. The majority of these test results are 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 second quarter, 58 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, 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 second quarter, 10 new medical cases were identified and are receiving case management services by a PHN. Based on the child's blood lead level, these are DHS-CLPPB defined cases which require an Environmental Investigation (EI).

- **Provide an estimated 60 Lead Poisoning Consultation (LPC) site visits by In-Home Consultants to families with 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 second quarter, 17 families received LPC site visits by In-Home Consultants for a to date total of 38.

- **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 second quarter, 10 health education encounters were provided by In-Home Consultants for a to date total of 17.

- **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.**

Ten Environmental Investigations were conducted for medical cases during the second quarter for a to date total of 26.

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	2,857	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)	58	60
Number of DHS defined medical cases identified during the quarter	10	N/A
Provide LPC site visits to all children with an EBLL 10 – 20 μ g/dL (60 estimated)	38	60
Provide IHC education encounters (75 estimated)	17	75
Evaluate and refer to CRWG medical and those educational cases referred by the Case Management Coordinator for review	10	N/A
Conduct 30 Environmental Investigations to identify the source of lead poisoning (30 estimated)	26	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 fourteen educational presentations to parent classes this quarter for a to date total of 21. Classes were conducted at Head Start and WIC locations in Hayward, Oakland, Livermore, Union City, Newark and Pleasanton. A total of 187 parents were reached and received lead educational materials.

In addition, staff conducted the following outreach:

Program staff conducted a Lead 101 train-the-trainer presentation to Child, Family and Community Services' Head Start teachers. A total of 65 teachers participated.

Staff conducted Lead 101 training to a Health & Safety class held at Merritt College in Oakland, reaching nine child care providers.

Staff conducted visits to City of Oakland Head Start sites to replenish literature racks. These sites include Lion Creek and Eastmont. A total of two sites were visited.

Staff continues to conduct monthly site visits to WIC offices 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 12 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 two Health & Advisory Committee meetings convened by the Community Association for Preschool Education (CAPE) Head Start, and the Child, Family and Community Service Agency, for a to date total of six. 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.

Staff attended the Community Health Worker and Health Educator Networking meeting this quarter. Members include Health Educators and Community Health Workers within 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 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	21	20
Attend five collaborative meetings with service providers.	6	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 previous quarter. Additional workshops are being planned for upcoming quarters.
- Conduct 70 lead educational sessions to medical providers at their offices.**
Staff visited 34 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 38. 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 five providers during this second quarter for a to date total of eight. Issues of concern revolved around 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 by a pediatric medical resident 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 21 nursing students and instructors from two local nursing schools, California State University-East Bay and Samuel Merritt School of Nursing for a to date total of 22.

Students are encouraged to incorporate key messages about lead poisoning and screening into their future practices within the health profession. Of note, a student of Asian-Indian ethnicity corrected our pronunciation of the imported cosmetic, Kohl, which is known to contain lead at hazardous levels. Before this presentation, it had been pronounced “coal,” but it seems that it should be pronounced “Kohol,” with two syllables. This new information will certainly benefit future encounters with Asian-Indian clients.

- **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 second meeting of this fiscal year was held on October 27, 2006 at the ACLPPP office for a to date total of two. The meeting was attended by representatives from local Bay Area Lead Programs and DHS-CLPPB staff. ACLPPP Acting Director, Mark Allen, provided a legislative update on the Proposition 65 settlement concerning lead tainted Mexican candies. In addition, representatives from the State CLPPB 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	137	100
Conduct 70 lead educational sessions to medical providers at their offices	38	70
Provide technical assistance on regulations, legal responsibilities on lead poisoning and screening to approximately 12 medical providers per year	8	12
Provide lead awareness education to 50 health care students	22	50
Coordinate four meetings of the Regional Bay Area Lead Nurses	2	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. Analysis of the data is still in progress this quarter. A collaborative planning meeting is scheduled next quarter to discuss the audit results and develop strategies to increase lead screening.

- **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.**

Last quarter, the Director of the City of Oakland Head Start Program directed Lead Program staff to contact Oakland Head Start's Health Coordinator to further develop the partnership on this special lead awareness and screening project. Program staff was unable to meet with Head Start this quarter because the Health Coordinator was on medical leave.

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 33 housing units enrolled in the HUD XIII program this quarter for a total of 92 housing units this fiscal year to date.

To date the ACLPPP has approved applications for the financing of lead hazard control of 134 units of housing, 108 of which are active or have been completed. Seventy-two of these units are in Oakland, 35 are in Berkeley and one is in Alameda. Lead evaluations, some from the previous quarter, 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 26 unit property owned by an affordable housing provider. Thirteen 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.

Seventeen units were completed and cleared during this quarter with 29 more under contract as of the end of the quarter. Five of the completed units were City of Oakland partnership units, one was a City of Alameda partnership unit and five were units associated with an elevated blood lead level child. Thirty units have been completed this fiscal year, with a total of 36 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.

In an attempt to increase exposure and provide opportunities for owners to get assistance with the application process, the Program established weekly “drop-in hours” in the previous quarter and maintained them through the end of this quarter. These drop-in sessions were advertised through flyers, community calendars and KTOP television, but attracted few property owners. Drop-in sessions were ended and interested owners may now schedule an appointment for assistance through the information line.

Thirteen 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 and anticipates that 12 units will begin construction in the next quarter.

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

This quarter a total of 26 lead education events were held reaching 101 individuals for a to date total of 780 individuals. Presentations were made to 70 rental property owners, and five staff of Sentinel Fair Housing and one property manager to increase their awareness of lead issues and regulations and to promote Program services including the lead hazard control funding. Five outreach staff from ACORN were also trained in core lead messages and visual surveys of potential lead hazards. Three families 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	92	121
Complete lead hazard control in 80 units of privately owned housing	30	80
Provide education to increase awareness of lead poisoning and lead hazards at 123 events.	67	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.

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.**
During the startup period of November 1 through December 31, 2006, the Program has used the County process to develop and approve contracts with the Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement, Manos Janitorial Cooperative, and the Community Energy Services Corporation. The HUD required Request for Release of Funds and Project Work Plan were completed and submitted. Additionally, the required Quality Assurance Plan was developed during this period and is being reviewed for content and format.

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.

Additionally, a Work Plan required by the HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control was completed and sent to the Project Grant Technical Representative for review and approval. The Work Plan is a detailed description of the activities and procedures used in completing the Project deliverables and goals.

- **Assess 70 homes for environmental intervention.**
As mentioned above, the Visual Assessment checklist has been reviewed and updated during this startup period, November 1 through December 31, 2006.
- **Provide Maintenance/Safety Kits and in-home education to 65 families.**
As mentioned above, the Knowledge Assessment, Asthma Severity Scores, participant education Curriculum have been reviewed and updated during this startup period, November 1 through December 31, 2006. Many of the supplies used in the Healthy Homes Maintenance Kit have been purchased or donated during this quarter.
- **Train 70 project staff, partners and community members on the Healthy Homes concept.**
In this period, the ACLPPP has developed a collaboration with the National Center for Healthy Housing to offer the “*Essentials of Healthy Homes – Practitioners Course*” under the auspices of the National Center for Healthy Housing. ACLPPP staff will use this curriculum to train the Healthy Homes Community Specialists that will be performing many of the deliverables associated with this Project. Training of these personnel is scheduled for early next quarter.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT		
HUD XIV	Completed	Objective
Identify and select 70 homes of children meeting the medical criteria for inclusion into the project.	0	70
Assess 70 homes for environmental intervention.	0	70
Provide Maintenance/Safety Kits and in-home education to 65 families.	0	65
Train 70 project staff, partners and community members on the Healthy Homes concept.	0	70

HUD XIV ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OBJECTIVES

- **Develop, maintain and process evaluate the Project through quarterly meetings of the Healthy Homes Consortium.**

No meeting of the Consortium has been held to date. The first meeting is expected to be conducted in March of 2007

HUD XIV ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OBJECTIVES

Develop, maintain and process evaluate the Project through quarterly meetings of the Healthy Homes Consortium	In progress
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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 7,933 visits were made to the Program's website during the last quarter for a total of 12,788 this year. This is a significant increase from last quarter which may be attributed to staff efforts to increase the number of links to our website on other community organizations' sites. The website address is also included on all outreach flyers. Updates to the website were submitted this past quarter including major updating and reconstruction of the Laws and Regulations page and the Healthy Homes section of the website. A website committee has been meeting to re-design and up-grade the website in order to make it more user-friendly.

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

A total of 339 calls to the information line were answered this past quarter for a total of 648 to date this year. A total of 240 calls this past quarter originated within the four CSA cities and 63 came from other cities. There were calls involving unsafe work practices complaints at 17 properties during this past quarter; two in Alameda, one in Berkeley, 13 in Oakland and one in San Leandro. 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 36 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.

- 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 46 media spots were placed during the past quarter, including display ads and community calendar listings. Some additional media efforts were conducted this past quarter to promote National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. This included staff interviews on the Spanish radio show Nuestros Niños and on the KISS FM Childhood Matters show, in addition to PSAs, and KTOP announcements. Media spots this quarter also included a letter to the Editor of the Oakland Tribune in response to a column about lead poisoning and an interview on the KNEW Rock and Roll Real Estate show.
- 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 1,057 Tenant Guides were provided to community organizations and local agencies, including Bananas Childcare Agency, CAPE Head Start, Sentinel Fair Housing, City of Oakland Head Start and ACORN.

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	12,788	15,000
Provide information line services to 1,000 individuals	48	99	159	198	2	9	312	594	127	100	648	1,000
Participate in 75 public education events	1	7	10	15	1	1	47	45	23	7	82	75
Distribute educational materials in 30 community centers, including libraries	4	4	8	7	3	1	27	20	10	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	80	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	285	100	1,675	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 past quarter. Visits to the Program website increased significantly possibly due to staff efforts to increase the number of links to the website on other community organizations’ sites. Media efforts are ahead of schedule partially due to efforts made during the National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week in October. An effort was also made to increase distribution of the Tenant Guides this past 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. New updated flip charts for use during the first time home buyer workshops were updated, reprinted and provided to ACORN along with additional Tenant Guides.

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.**

Thirty-nine units were reviewed by the Case Review Working Group this quarter. Eleven of these were reviewed for the first time this quarter.

Environmental Investigations were performed on 10 units. Property-related hazards were identified at four of these units. No property-related hazards were identified at six of these units.

At the end of the quarter, the Program was seeking access to conduct Environmental Investigations at two units. In addition, four units which represent new addresses for elevated blood lead level children are being monitored. Environmental Investigations will be performed at these new addresses should the blood lead levels rise to 15 micrograms per deciliter or higher.

During the quarter, four units were closed to case review monitoring without an Environmental Investigation 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.

This fiscal year, 46 units have been reviewed by Case Review Working Group and 26 Environmental Investigations have been performed.

As of the end of the quarter, 15 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 13 units this quarter, four of which were newly identified during the quarter.

Five 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.** Eleven units achieved clearance this quarter for a total of 18 units cleared to date this fiscal year. 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 attend 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.** No properties were referred to Environmental Health for enforcement this quarter.

As of the end of the quarter, four units with identified lead hazards exceeded the timeline established in the State Department of Health Services guidance for achieving clearance. Two properties are currently vacant. In one of these the owner is working to address lead hazards and in the other the owner intends to replace the building with new construction. A third unit is participating in the HUD XIII Lead Hazard Control Program and was substantially complete at the end of the 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.	46	60
Provide technical assistance to occupants and rental property owners of an estimated 24 units.	17	24
Document clearance of 18 units where property owners were provided with technical assistance.	18	18
Refer eligible properties to Environmental Health for enforcement.	0	N/A

**COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE AND ENFORCEMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES**

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.

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 13 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 November, the Lead Program Community Education Manager met with staff from ACORN and the Neighborhood Law Corps to discuss ways of collaborating on a 61 unit apartment complex in Oakland where three lead-poisoned children have been identified in the past. Oakland ACORN has been working

with tenants at this same complex for over a year to pressure the owner to correct other building deficiencies and pest infestation. The Neighborhood Law Corps has been involved but the owner has not responded to the agreed upon Compliance Plan. The City of Oakland is considering taking civil action against the property owner.

The ACLPPP also sent a certified letter to the current owner with a summary of the previous lead testing. In December, the ACLPPP Construction Manager and Community Education Manager met the owner at the site, discussed the need for lead remediation and provided an application for the financial and technical assistance available under the HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant.

The complex, built in 1947, has many low-income families with young children. The Program is working with ACORN on a plan to educate the tenants during the next quarter about lead poisoning prevention and to encourage blood lead screening of their children.

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

Ongoing

TRAINING

In response to new 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 new 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-Safe Work Practices 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 typically 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, it is anticipated that either the Worker class or the Supervisor/Project Monitor class will be offered in March or April.

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

One-day HUD/EPA-approved Lead-Safe Work Practices training: The Program is emphasizing the one-day HUD/EPA-approved Lead-Safe work practices 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-Safe Work Practices 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-Safe Work Practices classes.**

Five classes were held this quarter, one in October and two each in November and December. One class in November was held specifically for the Laney College Construction program and one class in December was held specifically for Youth Employment Partnership (YEP) students. Total attendance for these classes was 57 persons. Of these individuals, 10 were CSA property owners, two were from partnering agencies (one from the ACLPPP being trained to conduct the 1-day LSWP class and one from the City of Oakland), 15 were low-income persons from YEP, seven were low income persons from Laney College, and 23 were contractors. Seventy persons have attended the one-day LSWP 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-Safe Work Practices classes.	7	12

TRAINING ADMINISTRATIVE OBJECTIVES

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

Program staff will continue to evaluate the marketing of class offerings and search for additional venues for this advertising as long as the Program offers lead-safe classes. When the Program has contacted specific training entities such as Laney College Construction programs and the Youth Employment Partnership, response in filling classes is more effective. However, these programs do not receive new attendees 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 later 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. Class training brochures were updated and provided to the ACLPPP list of approved contractors to provide them with information on upcoming classes.

Last quarter, staff submitted an application to the California Department of Real Estate for accrediting the one-day Lead Safety for Remodeling, Repair, and Painting so that real estate agents may receive continuing education units (CEUs) for attendance. No agents have attended this class for this purpose. Outreach staff continues to promote the one-day LSWP class to this segment of the potential attendees.

- **Evaluate the training class delivery.**

Evaluations completed by attendees at the conclusion of classes 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 are warranted at this time. However, student

evaluations will continue to be monitored. The evaluations did identify requests by attendees (particularly contractors) to identify the costs associated with equipment and materials required to successfully perform lead-safe work practices. A compilation will be completed and integrated into the handouts provided to class participants.

A recommendation was approved by senior management to have the two-day Worker-to-Supervisor course reaccredited by the California Department of Health Services. It is expected that Program staff will be able to better market to and increase the attendance of contractors at state-accredited courses by allowing workers and supervisors to attend the course during the same class dates. In last quarter's report it had been anticipated that the application would be submitted the California Department of Health Services during last quarter. However, this objective was not achieved. Completion of this application is expected in the third quarter.

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

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.**
This 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. Preliminary results of the survey were shared with the Board of Directors in November. 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, and outlined the recommended steps to improve the potential for a successful election. The consultants also recommended a mail ballot by CSA property owners, which would require a simple majority for approval, in lieu of an at-large election, which would require a two-thirds majority for passage.
- **Finalize and implement the Alameda County Enforcement Response Policy.**
This quarter senior staff met with Alameda County's Deputy District Attorney for Consumer and Environmental Protection and the Alameda County Environmental Health Services Chief of Enforcement to discuss how to utilize new state legislation to enforce the remediation of identified lead hazards on properties where lead poisoned children have been identified and the owners remain noncompliant.
- **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 Round XIV Healthy Homes grant award, this quarter agreements and contracts were negotiated 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 were 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) completed its information gathering and assessment last quarter and is presently developing its proposal for the creation of an ACLPPP Department-wide Database, which would consolidate data housing, environmental, and certain case-related data in one integrated database.

ADMINISTRATIVE	
Finalize Alameda County strategic plan.	In Progress
Develop and present CSA fee increase recommendations.	Completed
Finalize and implement Enforcement Response Policy.	In Progress
Create a plan for new partnerships in children’s environmental health.	In Progress
Complete data improvement plan.	In Progress