

PRESS RELEASE

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The City of Salisbury is implementing a lead reduction program to address lead issues in older homes within the city. This project is a collaborative effort between the City of Salisbury, City/County Planning & Zoning, the Health Department and A Corporation for Healthy Homes, Inc. The Department of Housing and Community Development is funding the project, which is a two-year initiative.

The City of Salisbury will be targeting homes that have children either in residence or who visit on a regular basis, who are age 6 and under and who have elevated blood lead levels. The Health Department will be making the referrals to the City of homes that may have lead issues so that lead reduction activities can be implemented.

The Health Department and A Corporation for Healthy Homes, Inc. will be providing educational outreach activities. They will be visiting schools, community organizations and churches to disseminate information on lead hazards. They will also be providing information to landlords to assist them with understanding the state and federal regulations in reference to lead paint and required certifications.

The program will be implemented from July 1, 2005 to March 31, 2007. For information, please contact Loré L. Chambers at (410) 548-3100, or Lori Carter and Jaqui Kamp at (410) 548-4860.