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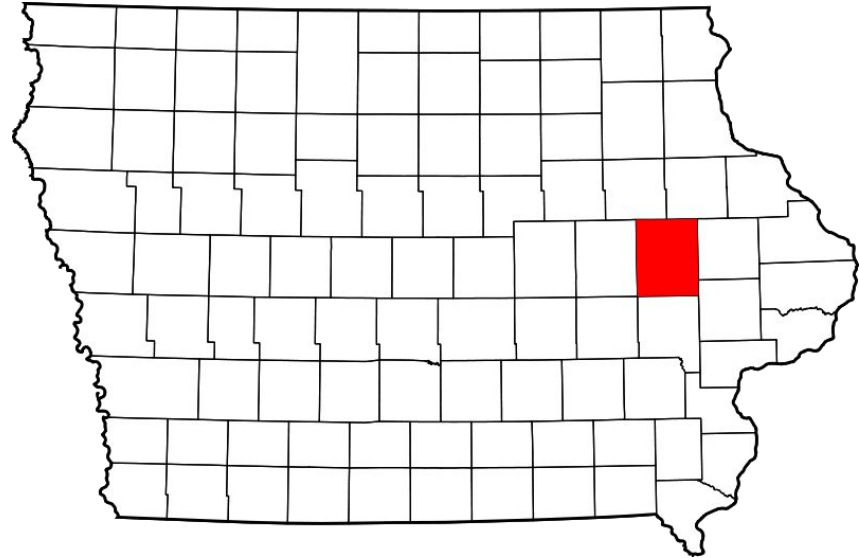
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LEAD POISONING IN
LINN COUNTY
& CEDAR RAPIDS, IA



OVERVIEW

- Demographics
- How Linn County is remediating
- Funding
- Community partners
- Recommendations



LINN CO. - CEDAR RAPIDS

VS.

SCOTT CO. - DAVENPORT

Population: 128,009

Median age: 35.6

Male to female ratio: 1.0:1

Caucasian: 87.5%

African American: 6.38%

Asian: 2.04%

American Indian: 0.30%

Mixed race: 2.96%

Population: 101,316

Median age: 35.1

Male to female ratio: 1.0:1

Caucasian: 81.09%

African American: 11.7%

Asian: 2.12%

American Indian: 0.38%

Mixed race: 3.32%

LINN CO. - CEDAR RAPIDS

VS.

SCOTT CO. - DAVENPORT

Children tested- 2,282

Total confirmed cases- 14

Total housing units- 80,551

Pre-1950 homes-21,067

Children < 6 Poverty-9%

Children tested-2,095

Total confirmed cases-25

Total housing units- 65,649

Pre-1950 homes- 20,065

Children < 6 Poverty-18%

HOW LEAD REMEDIATION IS BEING ADDRESSED

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP)

- Housed under Healthy Homes at Linn County Public Health (LCPH)
- Receives funding from Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH)
- Provides guidelines for:
 - Screening
 - Medical/environmental case management
 - Education/outreach
- Initial investigations
- Remediation
 - HUD grant
 - Comp-rehab/emergency funds
 - Out of pocket
 - Hawkeye Area Community Action Program
- Cases per year: 2-5
- Staff: Coordinator and Healthy Homes Program Nurse

HOW LEAD REMEDIATION IS BEING ADDRESSED CONTINUED...

Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP)

- Subgrantee of the Lead Hazard Control Grant
- Certified lead inspector/risk assessors and certified abatement contractors/workers
- City provides scope of work → HACAP conducts remediation → City or LCPH conducts clearance testing

For more information contact: Jane Drapeaux, Chief Executive Director of HACAP

FUNDING

Lead Hazard Control Grant

- Provides funding for homeowners and property owners to mitigate lead based paint hazards in older homes
 - Community Development Block Grant neighborhoods

HUD Grant

- Currently in 4th round of funding
 - Year long extension to meet numbers
 - Most recent change for grantees: contractors need work done in 10 days
- Administered by City Housing Services Office and LCPH

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

City of Cedar Rapids Housing Services

- Provides:
 - Comprehensive rehabilitation
 - Emergency assistance
 - Other CDBG funding

CLPP

- Part of Healthy Homes

IS YOUR HOUSE SAFE?

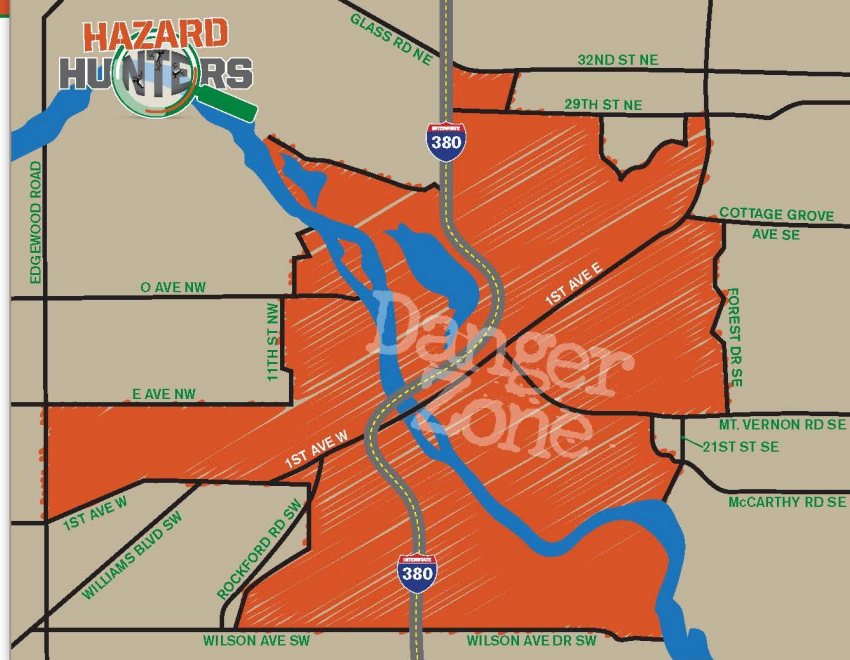
Your home is more likely to have lead-based paint if:

- ▶ It was built before 1978
- ▶ It is located within the Danger Zone shown on this map
 - ▶ An area roughly bound by 11th Street, E Avenue and Edgewood Road NW; 1st Avenue W; Rockford Road and Wilson Avenue SW; J Avenue, I-380, 32nd Street and 29th Street NE; 1st Avenue E; Forest Drive; 19th Street and 15th Avenue SE

HELP FOR YOUR HOME

The City of Cedar Rapids and Linn County Public Health have a program that can help you find and fix lead-paint problems for **little or no cost to you**.

There is a grant that can help both homeowners and landlords. If you live in a Danger Zone, you might qualify – especially if children under 6 live with you. **Plus, it's FREE to find out if you are eligible.**



Thanks to a Lead Hazard Control Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), **we can help those who qualify with:**

- ▶ Inspection costs
- ▶ Improvement costs
- ▶ Healthy Homes assessments and education
- ▶ Relocation assistance during repairs

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Get Scott County's community more involved, make the issue more prominent in all of the community
- Educate people in the community on how to remediate their homes
- Give easier access to information
- Proactive approach
- Create Lead Hazard Fund
- Use Different Marketing Strategies

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REFERENCES

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- HACAP <http://www.hacap.org>
- Cedar Rapids City of Five Seasons
http://www.cedar-rapids.org/local_government/departments_a_-_f/community_development/housing_programs/public_services_and_facilities.php
- Linn County Iowa
<http://www.linncounty.org/710/Lead-Hazard-Control-Grant>

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