

# RESOLUTION - SUPERMAJORITY

## Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Extension of Contractors for the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program (10)

**WHEREAS**, on September 19, 2023, the McHenry County Board approved Resolution number R-202309-10-227 authorizing the County Board Chairman to enter into a grant agreement with HUD in the amount of \$2,032,420 for the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program is to provide financial assistance through grant dollars to low/moderate-income families where lead is present and where children under the age of six (6) are living or frequently visiting; and

**WHEREAS**, when children under the age of six (6) have Elevated Blood Levels (hereinafter "EBLs") over 3.5µg/dl, HUD and the Illinois Department of Public Health consider this to be an emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program contracts expired on November 30, 2024, and the McHenry County Procurement Department is currently in the process of accepting new bids from contractors; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about January 6, 2025, a home in McHenry County was identified where two (2) children under the age of six (6) had extremely high EBLs 8.5 µg/dl, 13.9 µg/dl; and

**WHEREAS**, the McHenry County Community Development Administrator informed the McHenry County Procurement Department Director of this emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to this emergency, the McHenry County Procurement Department Director recommends an extension to the two Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction contractors, Four Elements Environmental and Stenes Contractors, Inc., through March 31, 2025, to conduct a Lead Risk Assessment and begin Lead Remediation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that it hereby authorizes the emergency extension of Four Elements Environmental and Stenes Contractors, Inc. for the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program to March 31, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Administrator, County Auditor, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Planning & Development, and the Community Development Administrator.

**DATED** at Woodstock, Illinois, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2025.

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Michael Buehler, Chairman  
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

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Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk  
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**SUBJECT:** Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Extension of Contractors for the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program (10)

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**Board / Committee Action Requested:**

Resolution authorizing an emergency extension of contractors for the lead based-paint hazard reduction program and the healthy homes program.

**Background and Discussion:**

The contracts for all of the contractors for the Lead Based-Paint Hazard Reduction Program and the Healthy Homes Program were termed for a fiscal year and expired on November 30, 2025. A request for proposals has been issued that will be returned and evaluated for recommendation to the County Board on January 30<sup>th</sup> and approval during the March Board cycle. Meanwhile, two cases of elevated blood levels, 8.5 µg/dl, 13.9 µg/dl compared to 3.5 µg/dl baseline, were referred to the program manager. IDPH and HUD program guidelines require mitigation as expediently as possible which resulted in the request for an emergency contract extension.

**Impact on Human Resources:**

None

**Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits):**

The funding is fully supported by the existing grant.

**Impact on Capital Expenditures:**

None

**Impact on Physical Space:**

None

**Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies:**

None.

**Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan:**

The request complies with and supports County ordinances, policies, and the strategic plan