

Protect Your Family from Lead Poisoning



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“Get the Lead Out”



The Centers for Disease Control estimates that a quarter of a million children have blood lead levels high enough to cause significant health damage. Major sources of exposure include lead-based paint, lead-contaminated dust, found in and around older homes and buildings built before 1978, and toys manufactured with paints and materials containing lead.

Lead Poisoning is Preventable. Protect your Family by:

- Keeping the area where your children play as dust free and clean as possible;
- Reporting chipped or cracked paint to your landlord, especially if you live in a home built before 1978;
- Making sure your children don't chew on painted surfaces, such as toys or window sills;
- Getting your home tested by a certified inspector - and asking for a lead inspection before you buy or move in (UC Department of Health can provide free-of-charge);
- Learning about EPA's new lead-safe renovation rule;
- Asking your doctor or your Health Department to test your child for lead, and
- Avoiding toys that contain lead.

Get Informed, Take Action - and Protect your Children from Lead Poisoning.

Your Ulster County Department of Health is ready to help you protect your family from lead poisoning. For more information and FREE assistance, call or email us at:

- **Phone:** 845.340.3047
- **Email** your questions to LeadEd@co.Ulster.NY.us

For more helpful information, follow these links:

- [CDC Lead Prevention Pages](#)
- [New York State Department of Health Lead Prevention Pages](#)
- [Environmental Protection Agency Lead Prevention Pages](#)

Home and Building Owners and Contractors

As of April 22, 2010, anyone who conducts renovations, repairs, or painting in pre-1978 or child-occupied facilities must get certified. In addition to personal certification, there is also the requirement of getting your firm registered with EPA in order to ensure that you are not at risk to receive huge daily fines!



The new EPA RRP requirements apply to you if your project disturbs:

- 6 square feet of interior lead paint surface AND/OR
- 20 square feet of exterior lead paint surface

Your Ulster County Department of Health (UCDOH) is offering FREE trainings for building owners, home owners and contractors who wish to become certified in safe lead removal practices. We even have a limited amount of FREE cleaning and renovation supplies to qualified Ulster County owners.

To view the class schedule and register for the FREE certification classes, please [click here](#).



HOMEOWNERS GUIDE TO HOUSING RESOURCES IN ULSTER COUNTY

FHA 203(k) Loans- The Federal Housing Administration's 203(k) program offers borrowers a single loan to purchase or refinance a home and also to cover the cost of repairs and improvements

<http://www.hud.gov>

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)- Provides assistance with home energy needs. Services include referrals for weatherization.

<http://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

Homes for Working Families (HWF)- Housing development program that provides financial assistance to the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) for project use such as senior rental projects or new construction/rehabilitation of family rental housing.

<http://www.dhrc.state.ny.us/>

Hudson River Housing Revolving Loan Fund- Provides loans to homeowners to do repairs or renovations on homes they own or plan to purchase.

<http://www.hudsonriverhousing.org/education.html>

Housing Trust Fund Program (HTF)- Provides funding to eligible applicants to construct low-income housing, to rehabilitate vacant or distressed property, or to convert vacant or underutilized non-residential property to residential use.

<http://www.nyshcr.org/programs>

Kingston Office of Community Development, (845) 334-3928, offers the following federally funded programs for City of Kingston residents who are income eligible.

<http://www.kingston-ny.gov/content/76/78/1003/default.aspx>

- **Residential Rehab Programs:** Two programs for low income eligible homeowners in HUD designated neighborhoods. One program provides a total grant of up to \$15,000 for interior housing rehabilitation work. The other is a 50-50 loan-grant of up to \$15,000 for exterior housing rehabilitation work. The loan portion of this program is interest free and payments may be spread out over a 10 year period.
- **RESTORE HandiMan Program** – Qualified homeowners receive \$500 materials and 3 days free labor to complete small renovation projects.

NYS Affordable Housing Corporation- The AHC provides financial assistance as part of a package of other private and public investment for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, and improvement of owner-occupied housing.

<http://www.nyhomes.org/ahc/aboutAhc.html>

NYS Home Program- The program provides funds to acquire, rehabilitate, or construct housing, or to provide assistance to low-income home-buyers and renters.

<http://www.nyshcr.org/programs>

Owner Occupied Rehab Assistance- RUPCO provides grants to income eligible homeowners who occupy their residence so they can make improvements and necessary repairs. These include the correction of health or safety hazards.

<http://www.rupco.org>

Residential Emergency Services to Offer Repair (RESTORE)- Program funds may be used to pay for the cost of emergency repairs to eliminate hazardous conditions in homes owned by the elderly when the homeowners cannot afford to make the repairs in a timely fashion.

<http://www.nyshcr.org/programs>

RESTORE, - Route 28, Kingston, NY, call 845-853-7499. Opens October 2012.

A donation based store run by **Habitat for Humanity** that receives construction products for resale at discount prices.

RUPCO- Local non-profit affordable housing organization. They offer rental assistance, home ownership, home repair grants and property management services.

<http://www.rupco.org/>

Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)- helps income eligible families to reduce their energy bills. Weatherization work is performed by their staff on homes. (Window replacement)

<http://nys.dhcr.gov/Programs/WeatherizationAssistance/>

RRP Training Classes by County

Date	Time	County	Location	Cost	Website	Contact Person	Contact Number	Contact email
7/11/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St, Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None
7/11/2012	8:30-5pm	Orange	Fire Training Center, 9 Training Center Lane, New Hampton, NY 10958	Free	None	Beth Hoeffner	Contact via email	bhoeffner@orangecountygov.com
7/17/2012	8am-5pm	Albany	West Sand Lake Fire Hall, 3697 Route 43	Free	None	Nancy or Lisa	Nancy: 518-765-3521 or Lisa: 518-765-3512	Nancy: NKL1@cornell.edu Lisa: LKC29@cornell.edu
7/31/2012	8am-5pm	Albany	Cornell Co-Op Extension, 24 Martin Ave, Voorheesville NY 12186	Free	None	Nancy or Lisa	Nancy: 518-765-3521 or Lisa: 518-765-3512	Nancy: NKL1@cornell.edu Lisa: LKC29@cornell.edu
8/1/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St,Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None
8/8/2012	8:30-5pm	Orange	Fire Training Center, 9 Training Center Lane, New Hampton, NY 10958	Free	None	Beth Hoeffner	Contact via email	bhoeffner@orangecountygov.com
8/14/2012	8am-5pm	Albany	Price Chopper, 1693 Eastern Parkway, Schenectady NY 12309	Free	None	Nancy or Lisa	Nancy: 518-765-3521 or Lisa: 518-765-3512	Nancy: NKL1@cornell.edu Lisa: LKC29@cornell.edu
8/29/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St,Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None
8/30/2012	8am-5pm	Albany	Security Supply, 475 Central Ave, Albany NY 12206	Free	None	Nancy or Lisa	Nancy: 518-765-3521 or Lisa: 518-765-3512	Nancy: NKL1@cornell.edu Lisa: LKC29@cornell.edu
9/21/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St,Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None

10/10/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St,Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None
11/2/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St,Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None
12/5/2012	9am-5:30pm	Ulster	708 East Chester St,Kingston NY 12401	Free	www.FreeLeadCertification.com	Green Education Serv.	800-355-1751	None

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