



January 31, 2023

Re: HUD Notice of Funding Opportunity LHR Grant Program: FR-6500-N-13

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the Notice of Funding Opportunity Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant and Healthy Homes Supplemental Funding, the Office of the Mayor for Augusta, Georgia, expresses our commitment to creating safe and healthy housing for all families in Augusta, Georgia.

To ensure the success of the Augusta, Georgia, Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program (LBPHRG), the Office of the Mayor gladly support this proposal and commit to the below services as an in-kind contribution:

- \$157,549.79 as a match for all eligible uses required for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction submission.
 - Housing and Community Development Department Director: Hawthorne Welcher, Jr., (*Salary and Fringe = \$61,065*)
 - Housing and Community Development Department Deputy Director (LBPHRG Program Director): Shauntia Lewis (*Salary and Fringe = \$48,241*)
 - Housing and Community Development Department Planning Manager: Sonya Johnson (*Salary and Fringe = \$15,889*)
 - Housing and Community Development Department Accounting Coordinator: Tammie Abrams (*Salary and Fringe = \$29,035*)
 - Housing and Community Development Department Interim Fiscal Officer (LBPHRG Program Fiscal Officer): Arnold Pierce (*Salary and Fringe = \$3,317*)
- Utilizing cost-effective lead hazard control methods and approaches that ensure the long-term safety of the building occupant.
- Establish and implement a detailed process of monitoring and ensuring that federal requirements of the grant, units are made lead-safe, units are affirmatively marketed, and priority is given to families with children under the age of six years for not less than four years.
- Conducting targeted outreach, affirmative marketing, education, or outreach programs on lead hazard control and lead poisoning prevention designed to increase the ability of the applicant to deliver the specified lead hazard control services through this program, including educating owners of eligible rental properties, tenants, and others on the benefits and expectations of participating in this program provided by Title X of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act.



In addition, we will work with HCD and other local agencies to conduct projects in support of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes initiative.

Sincerely,



Garnett L. Johnson
Mayor