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HUD Issues Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program NOFO

Last Friday on [grants.gov](#), the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) [posted](#) the notice of funding opportunity ([NOFO](#)) for the [Lead Hazard Reduction Grant](#) program. The NOFO makes approximately \$469,655,877 available to help protect children from lead poisoning by assisting states, cities, counties/parishes, native American tribes, or other units of local government in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately-owned rental or owner-occupied housing populations.

The application deadline date is **August 19, 2024**. You'll find a link to the NOFO on [this page](#) at HUD's [Funding Opportunities](#) website.

HUD Settles Discrimination Case against Georgia Housing Providers

In a [press release](#) last Friday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that the owners and management company of a dwelling unit in Decatur, Georgia, will pay \$47,500 under a [consent order](#) resolving allegations that they discriminated against a tenant because of her disability. Specifically, the order resolves [allegations](#) that the housing providers failed to grant a reasonable accommodation when a hearing-impaired tenant requested to have a service animal to assist with her disability. Respondents agreed to resolve the case voluntarily, including compensation to the individual affected and additional education and training for employees to ensure a better understanding of fair housing laws.

The [Fair Housing Act](#) makes it illegal to discriminate in the sale or rental of housing because of disability, race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), and familial status.



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