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SAFER HOUSING/SAFER FAMILIES:

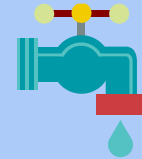
- *Preventing fires*
- *Preventing CO poisonings*
- *Preventing falls on stairs*
- *Fixing electrical dangers*
- *Saving energy—insulating/air sealing properties*



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HEALTHIER HOUSING/HEALTHIER FAMILIES

- *Reducing asthma symptoms*
- *Reducing missed school days for asthma*
- *Preventing lead poisoning*
- *Restoring water*
- *Reducing mold and moisture: fixing roofs and plumbing leaks*
- *Giving warmth: fixing/replacing non-working furnaces*



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The numbers:

- 121 families enrolled
- 120 homes assessed
- 104 HHRTs completed
- **85 homes completed (goal 140 homes!)**
- ***Repair work underway on additional 16 homes***
includes Kresge/Skillman/HUD Funding



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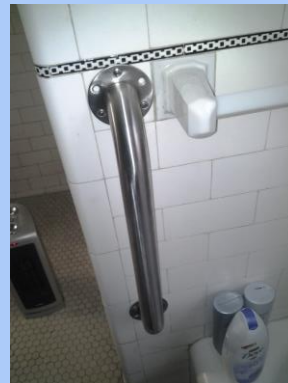
Referrals to Partners

- Applied to **Weatherization Assistance Program:** **19**
- **Asthma Home Visits:** **18**
- **Better Buildings air sealing** visit completed: **23**
- **HUD Lead Grant applications completed:** **1**
(City of Detroit or State of MI lead grants)
- **Citizens Bank funding received** for exterior repairs: **4**
- Applications to **City of Detroit Home Repair Program:** **3**
- **DTE Furnace/Boiler Test and Tune Up Completed:** **37**
(including 7 furnace replacements)

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Healthy Homes Repairs:

- **Moisture/Mold/Roofs/Gutters/Tubs: 60**
- **Safety/Stairs—Porches : 48**
- **Safety/ Furnace or Boiler Repair: 10**
- **Safety/Electrical: 29**
- **Safety/Asbestos: 10**
- **Basic Weatherization: 53**
- **Integrated Pest Management: 10**

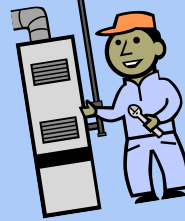


Success with Newest Partner!

DTE Energy:

Furnace Test and Tune UP Program:

- ✦ # Test and Tune Ups completed: 70
- ✦ Replaced 16 unsafe furnaces
(including 7 for CCD clients)



Refrigerator Replacement Program

- ❖ To reduce energy usage
- ❖ 93 refrigerators REPLACED WITH ENERGY STAR



Healthy Homes Detroit Case Study #1

Top Three Hazards:

Damp /Mold Growth ~ Lead ~ Falling on Stairs

Family Overview:

- ~Visiting children under 6
- ~Pregnant female
- ~Multiple people with allergies

Interventions:

~**Citizens Bank \$5,614 / HUD HHD- \$5,615**
Roof Repair; Front stairway repair;
window replacements for window in poor condition

~**Healthy Homes Detroit- \$559**
Products including smoke and CO detectors;
fixed stairway railings

~**MDCH Lead Safe Homes Program- \$10,900**
Completed contractor's walk-through in Dec 2012

~**Wayne Metro WAP-up to \$6,500**
Weatherization pending; HHD roof repair
helped family become eligible for weatherization

TOTAL INVESTMENT: \$29,188



Healthy Homes Detroit: Case Study #2

Top Two Hazards: Lead ~ Excess Cold

Family Overview:

- ~Child with asthma
- ~family is renovating house (gave education re: lead safe repairs)

Interventions:

~**Citizens Bank/ HHD- \$3,975**

Window replacements for windows in poor condition

~**Healthy Homes Detroit- \$3,189**

Asbestos removal; minor plumbing repairs; Lead Inspection/Risk Assessment; smoke & CO detectors; various products

~**Wayne Metro WAP completed - \$6,500**

Attic insulation, refrigerator replaced; window repair /weatherization services

TOTAL INVESTMENT: \$13,664



Healthy Homes Detroit- Case Study #3

Top Hazards:

Mold and Moisture ~ Lead ~ Falling On Stairs ~ Excess Cold

Family Overview:

- ~Family of 6
- ~Visiting children under 6

Interventions:

~**Healthy Homes Detroit- \$3,361**

Allergen Triggers: Window replacement to reduce mold and moisture, Bathtub Repairs; Minor gutter repairs; Flooring Replacement; Vent dryer to outside

Safety Hazards: Minor stairway repairs

~**DTE/ ICF Test and Tune- \$4000**

During tune-up, HVAC technician found high levels of CO; Replaced furnace with a 95% AFUE furnace

TOTAL INVESTMENT: \$7,361



Before... and After

Roof leaks- area for water entry



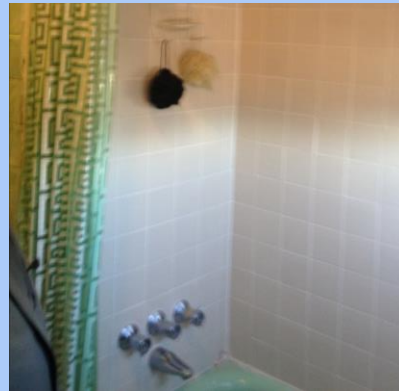
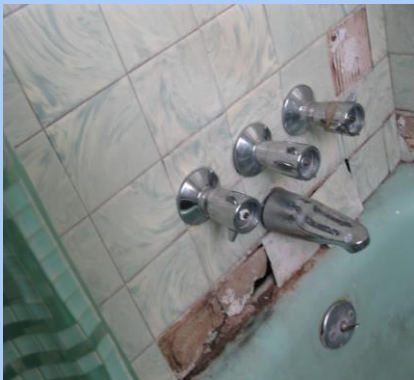
Missing Downspouts and gutters in poor condition

Roof replacement and new chimney flashing



New gutters and downspouts

Before... and After



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Breaking the Cycle Workgroup

Issues:

- ~ Many barriers (property tax debt, utility shut-offs) prevent families from receiving home repair grants
- ~ Families are buying 'as-is' homes with health hazards & tax debt

Project:

- ~ SERVICE PROVIDERS FORUM
- ~ PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION BLITZ

Reducing Property Taxes!

Reduce your 2013 Property Taxes: Programs for Homeowners

Who is Eligible?

- If you are a low income homeowner in Detroit, you may be eligible to have your property taxes for 2013 reduced through a property tax exemption. To get an exemption, you must fill out paperwork before the deadline. Income guidelines are listed on the back of this flier.
- This program is for owner-occupied homes only, so you must also have a Principal Residence Exemption (PRE). This means that you have a recorded deed for the house.

How to Apply!

Please read the information and follow the steps below:

- 1) Go to the City Assessor's office, 8th floor, Room 804 of the Coleman A Young Municipal Center (2 Woodward Ave) to request an application for a property tax exemption or poverty exemption. The city will add you to the list and then mail you an application. To have your tax bill reduced for 2013, you must request this application between Jan - March 2013.
- 2) An application will be mailed to you with a due date stamped on your application. [United Community Housing Coalition](http://www.detroitmi.gov/assessor) can [help you complete your application](http://www.detroitmi.gov/assessor). You can visit their office at 420 Bakery, Suite 900, Detroit, MI 48226 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. for assistance. You must bring your application with you and all required documentation. Read the last page of the application to make sure you have all the documentation; documentation is also listed on the following page.
- 3) You could be denied if you do not fill out the application correctly, so we strongly recommend that you visit [United Community Housing Coalition \(313-963-3310\)](http://www.detroitmi.gov/assessor) for assistance.
- 4) Please note that if you file a property tax exemption, you must file income taxes for this year.

PAYING TOO
MUCH PROPERTY
TAX?

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Enforcement Work Group

Goal:

To assure that all laws and codes are fully utilized to move Rental Property Owners to make their properties lead safe

Focusing on:

- ✦ **MDCH Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor Quality Control**
- ✦ **PILOT PROJECT:
30 HOMES/APT. TARGETED FOR PMC ENFORCEMENT**



Partners Blending Resources!

- Partner: **Habitat for Humanity MI**
~providing two AmeriCorps members to CCD
~ their first day is today!
- Partner: **AAFA-MI Chapter**
~ Connected CCD with
Building Industries of America
~Invited to apply for \$5,000 grant for roofs
~ Submitted today!
- Partner: **WSU Center for Urban Studies**
~ Co-wrote and received a \$5000 grant for boarding up 10 houses



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Thank you for helping to make
homes safer, healthier, and more
energy efficient!

