Rhode Island Attorney General Funds

**Program Fund Goals**

- Enhance services for all families seeking improvements to indoor air health and energy affordability in their homes.
- Make Service delivery more effective and efficient and expand the amount of home improvement work available for Providence partners and contractors.
- Demonstrate a GHHI approach to home improvements in a cost-effective, high impact way to reduce chronic health impacts exacerbated by unhealthy indoor air quality.

**Average Cost per Unit:** $2,250

**How can these fund be utilize by partner organizations?**

Funds can be used for weatherization and indoor air quality measures interventions for qualifying homes.

**Addressing Healthy Home Deficiencies:**

- **Asthma Measures** Home Asthma Response Program with educational information to families
- **Weatherization** Units receiving weatherization/energy efficiency interventions are eligible
- **Healthy Housing** Health and safety issues related to existing weatherization work

**What is the process to utilize the funds?**

- Refferal from Organization
- Partner invoice, SOW and pre work photos
- Surveys with families
- Completion form sent for Payment
- GHII approves expense

**Families participating in the GHHI program save up to $700 a year in energy costs—and avoid lost income from missed work or school.**

**Referring Partners:**

- St. Joseph’s Lead Safe Program
- Blackstone Valley Community Action Program
- Community Action Partnership of Providence
- Westbay Community Action
- Comprehensive Community Action Program
- Providence Housing Authority
- DOH HARP Program
GHHI’s Approach to Creating Green and Healthy Homes

Navigating housing resources can be confusing and daunting for most home owners and tenants. GHHI Providence attacks this problem from both sides: we coordinate services to help families achieve greener and healthier homes, and we work upstream to align, braid and coordinate local and state policies to promote green and healthy housing.

Where Do Families Go For Help?

A Model That Benefits Families

Who does the GHHI Project reach?

Families with
- Low to moderate income
- Children under age 6, or
- Pregnant women
Homes built before 1978 (when anti-lead law was passed)

How is GHHI Rhode Island innovative?

Innovation

Aligns healthy housing interventions across public and private agencies

Braids funding streams to be more cost-effective

Coordinates service delivery to minimize disturbances to families

Delivers savings to families, communities, and the state

Result

GHHI Providence partners include:
- RI Housing LeadSafe Program
- Community Action Partnership of Providence
- City of Providence Lead Safe Program and CDBG Funds
- Attorney General’s Office funding through GHHI

GHHI Providence leveraged over $7.5 million in services for Providence families through the Phase I Pilot.

Families meet with resident educators in a one-touch process to get what they need; instead of struggling through a process that requires multiple applications, follow up and scheduling challenges.

Not only do families save money from energy efficiency improvements, when we remove triggers for asthma, lead poisoning and other home health hazards, children do not miss school and parents do not miss work.

The Green and Healthy Homes Initiative is a national leader in the healthy homes movement. With support from our national office, GHHI Rhode Island works to improve unhealthy and inefficient housing to combat the negative costs of chronic environmental health concerns such as asthma, lead-based paint poisoning and trip and falls as well as energy-related costs resulting from non-efficient housing.

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