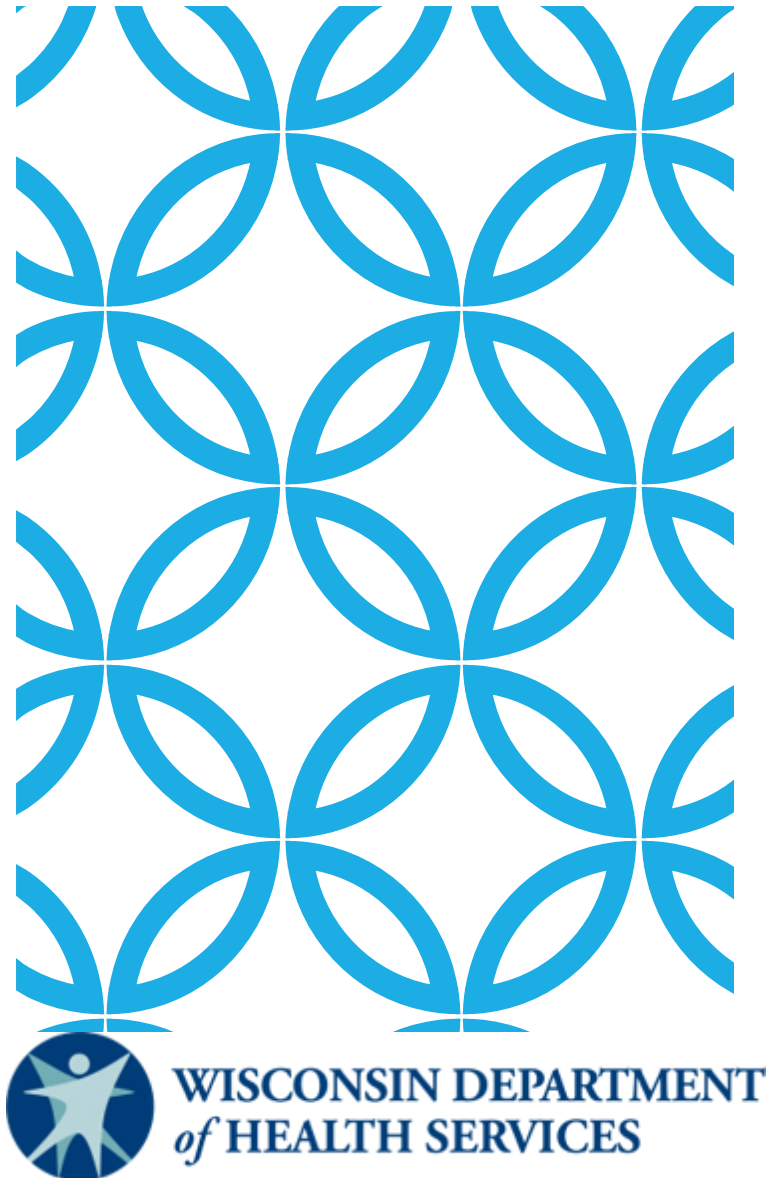




BUILDING A LEAD-SAFE COMMUNITY

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LION IN THE LIVING ROOM



Poem by Jonathan Bader

What is the Lead-Safe Homes Program?

What?

The Lead-Safe Homes Program is a health services initiative with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).



Who?

This program helps:

Children
Property Owners
Contractors
Communities

Work is done on properties where a child under the age of 19 or a pregnant woman lives or regularly visits *and* is enrolled in or eligible for Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus

How?

This program repairs owner-occupied and rental properties to make them lead-safe.

The program can cover the costs of:

- The risk assessment and clearance on properties of non-poisoned children
- The lead abatement
- Relocation of the family



ELIGIBILITY FOR LSHP

Owner occupied or occupied rental property

Built before 1978

Child or pregnant woman eligible for Medicaid
or BadgerCare Plus

Current on property taxes

REQUIREMENTS FOR LANDLORDS

Contribute 10% of total project cost

Not sell rental property within 3 years of project

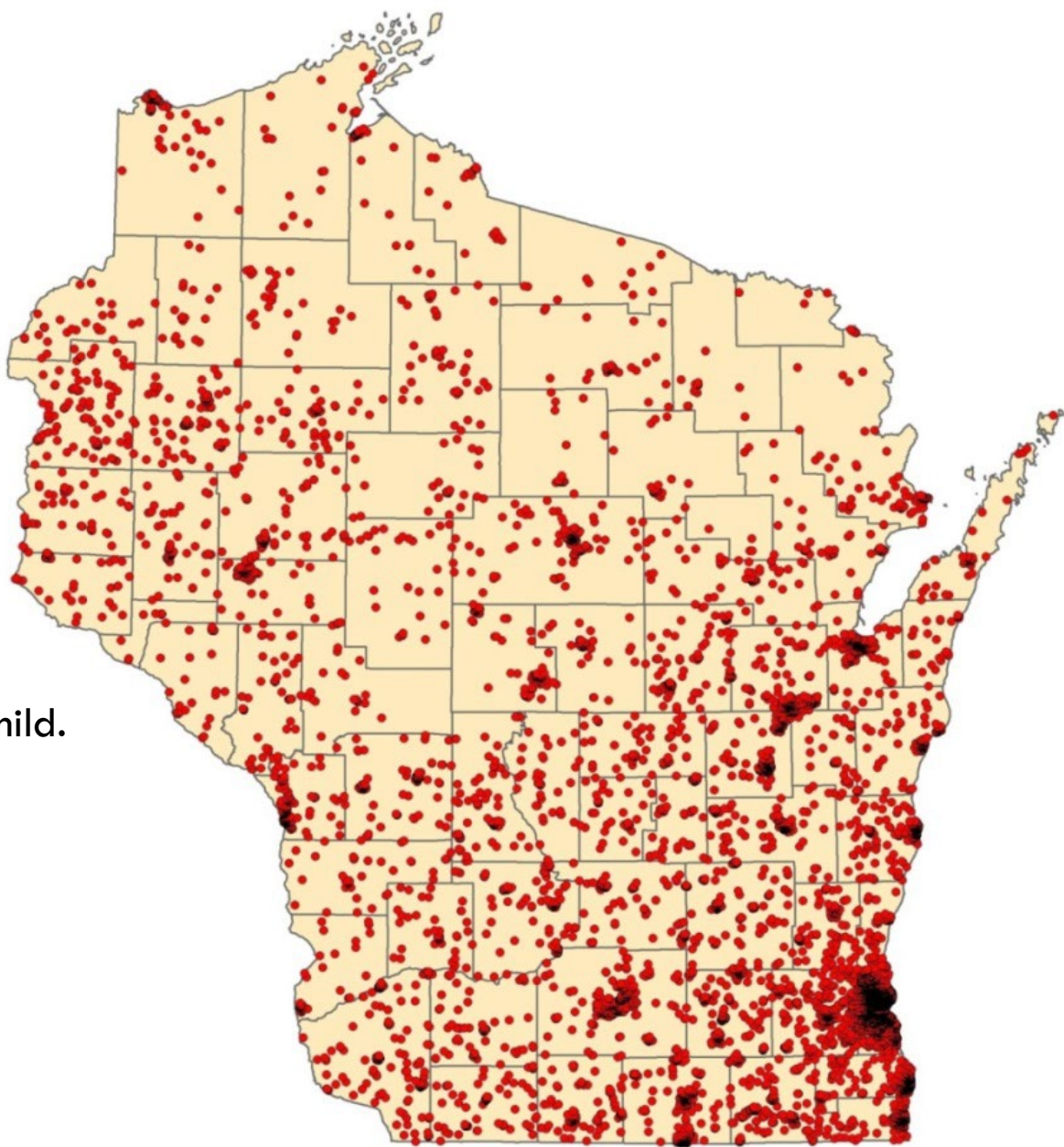
Rent to low- and moderate-income families with young children for 3 years

Keep rent at the HUD Fair Market Rent (HUD FMR)

The Problem

Each dot references a home of a lead-poisoned child.

100% PREVENTABLE



*Source: Wisconsin Blood Lead Testing Data, 1996-2016.

THE 1ST GOAL

Fix the lead-based paint hazards in the homes of all the identified Elevated Blood Lead Level (EBLL) and poisoned children in the state.

The numbers:

- 53 EBLL children
- 879 Poisoned children

THE FOCUS

LSHP priority levels and criteria are:

- **Priority 1** – Homes where a child has been identified with a high blood lead level and the local health department has issued orders for correction
- **Priority 2** - Homes of children that are poisoned but are not subject to lead hazard reduction work orders from the local health department;
- **Priority 3** - Homes built before 1950 that do not have a lead poisoned child or lead hazard reduction work orders;
- **Priority 4** - Any other eligible property

HOW WE GET THERE



FAMILIES

- Engage families and landlords in homes with ordered lead work
- Local health department(LHD) helps the family to enroll
- LHD engages family during the entire process



PARTNERSHIPS

- LSHP Environmental Health Specialist (EHS) is a liaison and support for local health and the partnering LSHP Program Administrator Grantee (PAG)
- LHD does Risk Assessment and engages PAG through the LSHP EHS to begin scope of work



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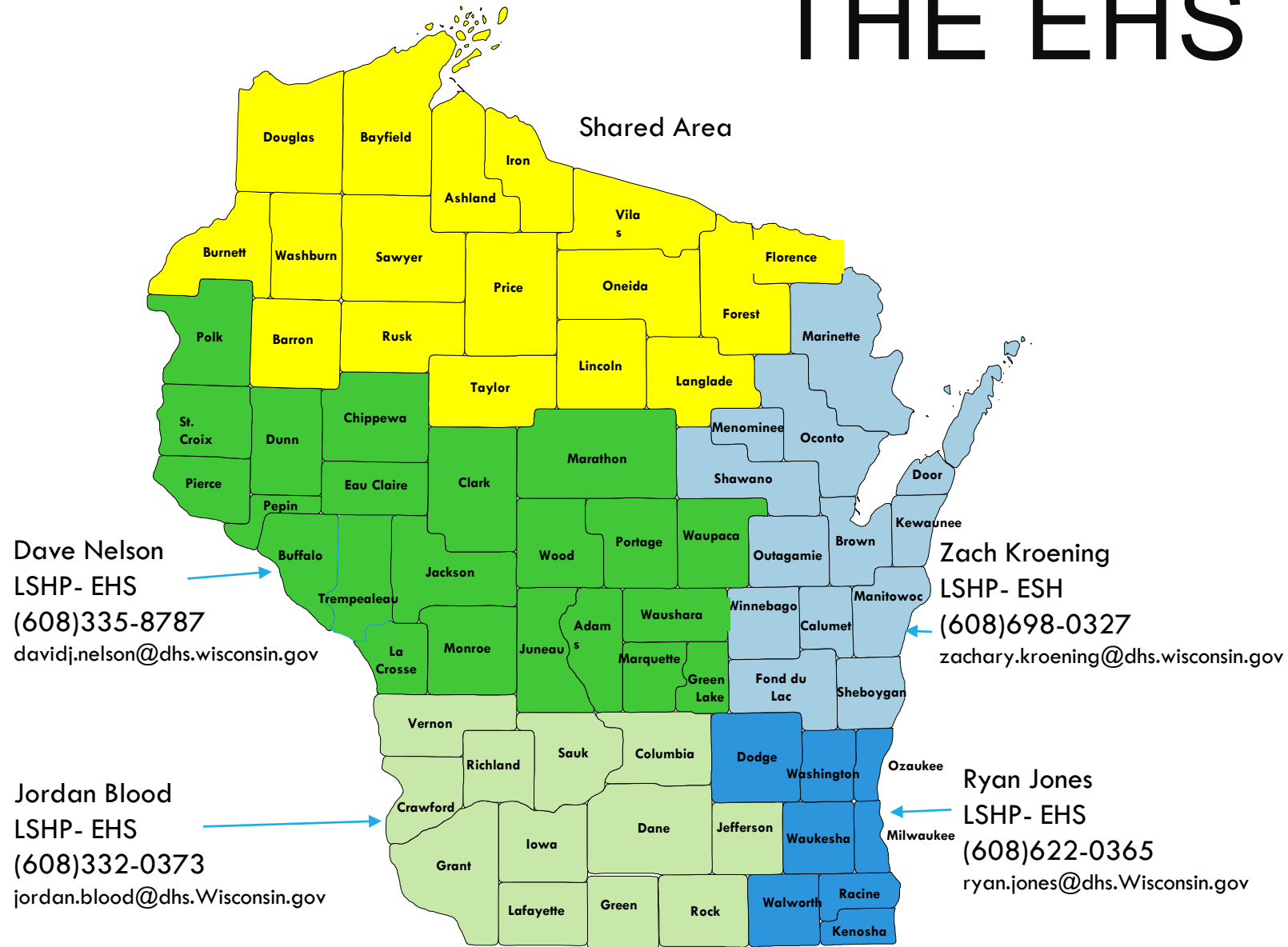
- PAG creates scope, bids jobs, relocation, pods and monitors work
- PAG, LSHP EHS, LHD and contractor perform pre-clearance walk though
- LHD must perform clearance
- Families move in to a fully lead-safe home



THE SUPPORT

LSHP Environmental Health Specialists will support each group and act as the approver and liaison to each group.

THE EHS TEAM



THE NEXT STEPS

Grant Development:

- Do not need to do all Priority 1 or 2 properties
 - You can start small and build up your grant
- LSHP will set up a meet and greet between the PAG and the LPHD
- Grant, budget discussion and development will begin mid May
- Grants begin 10/1/2023 and end 9/30/2024
- Fill out the survey

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