

# islesHealthyHomes

Self-Reliant Communities



Studies show that the cost of a lead-poisoned child over their lifetime exceeds \$200,000. Some of these homes poison multiple children.

Clearly, we must find ways to reduce this threat.

Often, residents of older homes don't know what hazards exist in their home and how indoor conditions can affect their family's health and well-being.

Lead exposure in children can cause permanent brain damage. Other indoor hazards can cause chronic asthma, resulting in labored breathing, fatigue, missed school or work days, and, in some cases, death.

Home health hazards affect about 10,000 residential units in Trenton.

Isles trains health and housing professionals and

other regular home visitors to conduct healthy homes assessments. These assessments give information on the condition of a home's indoor health.

Assessors test for indoor health issues such as; lead, asthma triggers, moisture, pests, carbon monoxide and fire hazards. Home visitors document the problems found and educate home owners or landlords on how to effectively remediate those problems.

Educational materials and follow-up visits help residents to understand how to maintain a healthy indoor environment.

