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Year Of Renewal: CHA's Healthy Homes Team Gives Progress Report

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This spring, CHA took a major step towards protecting residents' well-being by launching the new **Healthy Homes Division**. The team, led by three former U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) professionals, is focused on proactively addressing lead-based paint and other environmental hazards. Over the last two months, Healthy Homes has addressed lead hazards in 18 buildings, benefitting 70 apartments with a prioritization on homes with children.

CHA is also actively sponsoring a series of summer training courses designed to equip construction staff and contractors, including prequalified Section 3 businesses, with the skills needed to perform lead-safe work practices. These trainings aim to ensure that all future renovations and unit turnovers are completed without creating lead hazards, further supporting CHA's commitment to resident health and housing safety.

Healthy Homes is also working hand-in-hand with CHA's property operations team to ensure that lead and other indoor environmental hazards are detected and addressed on an ongoing basis as part of CHA's routine inspections.

Learn more in the [Sun-Times](#).