

OFFICE OF GROUND WATER AND DRINKING WATER

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Allotments of FY 2025 Appropriation for the Voluntary School and Child Care Lead Testing and Reduction Grant Program, authorized by Section 1464(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act
FROM: Marietta Echeverria, Director Drinking Water Capacity Compliance Assistance Division

TO: Water Division Directors, Regions I-X

OVERVIEW

This memorandum announces grant funding for the *Voluntary School and Child Care Lead Testing and Reduction Grant Program.* The grant is authorized under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) 1464(d), as amended by section 2107 of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, to reduce children's exposure to lead. The grant program supports the EPA's Powering the Great American Comeback initiative by strengthening cooperative federalism and working with states and territories to maximize the impact of these funds to protect human health through access to clean water. Through the enactment of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), P.L. 117-58, in November 2021, SDWA section 1464(d) was further amended to allow grant recipients to address lead exposure in drinking water at school and child care facilities through remediation (e.g., plumbing replacement, lead reduction certified point-of-use filters) in addition to testing.

The total amount available for this allotment is \$26,198,000. Included as part of this memo are the individual allotments for the participating states, DC, and territories. The EPA intends to release a separate memo pertaining to the funding designated for Tribal Consortia to support lead testing and remediation activities in schools and child care facilities serving Tribes. Eligibility to apply for and receive funding under this grant program is limited to the fifty states, DC, and U.S. territories. Current grant recipients include all fifty states, DC, and four territories (American Samoa, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands).

Grant recipients must continue to work with the EPA regional offices in the implementation of eligible activities under their respective grant awards. The EPA is committed to working with states, Tribes, and territories to maximize the impact of these funds in addressing lead exposure to children in drinking water.

To support the implementation of this grant, an implementation document is available at: <u>https://www.epa.gov/dwcapacity/wiin-grant-voluntary-school-and-child-care-lead-testing-and-</u> <u>reduction-grant-program</u>. The implementation document contains detailed information on how the EPA will award and administer grants that support eligible activities, such as those for remediation or replacement activities.

Further information about this grant program, including the grant implementation document, eligibilities, and frequently asked questions, is available at <u>https://www.epa.gov/dwcapacity/wiin-grant-voluntary-school-and-child-care-lead-testing-and-reduction-grant-program</u>.

If you have any questions about the allotments, please contact Hillarie Ishida at <u>ishida.hillarie@epa.gov</u> or (202) 564-3671.

ATTACHMENT

1. FY 2025 Voluntary School and Child Care Lead Testing and Reduction Grant Program allotments

Final FY 2025 Allotments for States, DC, and U.S. Territories Voluntary School and Child Care Lead Testing and Reduction Grant Program

State/Territory	Allotments
Alabama	\$351,000
Alaska	\$98,000
American Samoa	\$39,000
Arizona	\$534,000
Arkansas	\$281,000
California	\$2,329,000
Colorado	\$376,000
Connecticut	\$393,000
Delaware	\$69,000
District of Columbia	\$80,000
Florida	\$1,103,000
Georgia	\$642,000
Hawaii	\$107,000
Idaho	\$158,000
Illinois	\$998,000
Indiana	\$621,000
lowa	\$299,000
Kansas	\$374,000
Kentucky	\$345,000
Louisiana	\$412,000
Maine	\$327,000
Maryland	\$324,000
Massachusetts	\$1,169,000
Michigan	\$926,000
Minnesota	\$692,000
Mississippi	\$305,000
Missouri	\$480,000
Montana	\$173,000

Based on Appropriations of \$26,198,000

State/Territory	Allotments
Nebraska	\$213,000
Nevada	\$181,000
New Hampshire	\$176,000
New Jersey	\$542,000
New Mexico	\$181,000
New York	\$1,234,000
North Carolina	\$615,000
North Dakota	\$91,000
Northern Mariana	\$39,000
Ohio	\$911,000
Oklahoma	\$388,000
Oregon	\$728,000
Pennsylvania	\$861,000
Puerto Rico	\$196,000
Rhode Island	\$263,000
South Carolina	\$309,000
South Dakota	\$138,000
Tennessee	\$388,000
Texas	\$2,138,000
Utah	\$257,000
Vermont	\$578,000
Virgin Islands	\$60,000
Virginia	\$469,000
Washington	\$473,000
West Virginia	\$185,000
Wisconsin	\$510,000
Wyoming	\$69,000
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