# Why is Lead Harmful?

#### Lead Exposure Can Cause:

- health, behavior and learning problems for young children (esp. under the age of 6).
- severe permanent health issues from continual exposure.
- harm to unborn babies.

## Where is Lead Found?

Lead is found in homes built prior to 1978 and it is found in paint, varnish, dust, soil, water and even older, vinyl mini-blinds.

# **Protect Your Family**

- Get your children tested for lead poisoning
- Have your home tested for lead
- Keep your children's hands washed
- Keep play areas dust-free & clean
- Wash toys & stuffed animals frequently including bottles & pacifiers when they fall on the floor
- Mop floors and clean window sills often
- Encourage children to play in grassy areas instead of bare dirt
- Make sure pets and people don't track in lead (on fur, shoes and clothing)

**FREE** Blood Lead Screenings – for children under 6 yrs of age.

This is a simple test performed with a finger prick.

**Call:** Guilford County
Dept of Public Health
Environmental Health Division
336-641-7777

# \$ Assistance to Deal with Lead Paint is Available \$

For more information call the City of Greensboro's

# **Lead Safe Housing Program**

336-373-2349 TDD: 336-333-6930

or to request an application, write to:

Attn: Lead Safe Housing Program City of Greensboro, PCD Dept. PO Box 3136 Greensboro, NC 27402-3136

www.greensboro-nc.gov

# When is Lead Paint Hazardous?

#### Lead Paint is hazardous:

- ♦ if paint is chipping, flaking or peeling.
- \$\dif \text{painted surfaces are being chewed by children.}
- If paint is on windows, doors, floors, porches or other surfaces that are in constant use.
- ♦ if it is in dust that can be touched, inhaled or swallowed.

# **Protect Your Tenants**

- Have your property tested for lead
- Clean, repair or abate any lead hazards
- Keep painted surfaces in good condition
- Include Lead-safe work practices in all repairs and maintenance activities
- •Only use certified (RRP) contractors when dealing with lead hazards
- KEEP RECORDS of all work done in unit(s) with lead

#### IT'S THE LAW:

- You must disclose to all current and new tenants any known lead hazards
- You must notify tenants in advance of any repairs that disturb more than 6sf inside or 20sf outside of a painted surface.

# **Community Links**

#### **Lead Hazard Control & Healthy Housing**

Center for New North Carolinians UNC-G.....(336) 334-5411

Environmental Health Division.....(336) 641-7777 Department of Public Health Guilford County

Fair Housing Division ......(336) 373-2038 Human Relations Department City of Greensboro

Greensboro Housing Authority ....(336) 275-8501 Extension 3164

Greensboro Housing Coalition.....(336) 691-9521 GHC Housing Hotline .......(336) 691-9521

Lead Safe Housing Program.....(336) 373-2349 Planning & Community Development Dept. City of Greensboro

Local Ordinance Enforcement.....(336) 373-2111 Engineering & Inspections, City of Greensboro

### **Lead Worker Job Training & Employment Info**

M/WBE.....(336) 373-2674 Minority/Women Business Enterprise Program City of Greensboro

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