LEAD ELIMINATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Virginia is "leaping" forward to replace LSLs

INTRODUCTION

The Financial & Construction Assistance Programs (FCAP) in ODW at VDH established its Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) Program in 2017.

The Lead Elimination Assistance Program "LEAP" campaign was recently launched to promote the program and to educate both localities and homeowners about the dangers of lead service lines.

PARTNERSHIPS

As of 2021, LEAP is currently partnered with:

- City of Richmond (Department of Public Utilities)
- City of Alexandria (VA American Water)
- Henry County (Fieldale)
- City of Chesapeake (Department of Public Utilities)

Eligibility:

- Funding is available for community waterworks or non-profit non-transient waterworks owners with confirmed or suspected LSLs (includes utility and/or customer portion of the service line)
- Single family homes and apartments are both eligible. For apartments, documentation is needed for each unit even if the plumbing is identical
- Schools and daycares are eligible but are targeted through WIN funding. Contact Tony.Singh@vdh.virginia.gov for more information: (804) 864-7517

Funding available:

- Up to $5,000 in grant rebates for each service line replaced on the homeowner's side of the meter
- Up to $500 of the $5,000 may be used for admin/investigative work
- VDH reserves the right to limit the grant to a total of $500,000 per applicant per funding year, and the admin costs to $25,000
- $2M is allocated for LEAP per funding application cycle

Restrictions:

- Must be a complete replacement
- Partial replacements are only allowed if it results in a complete replacement
- Excludes premise plumbing (sinks, toilets, etc.) - however, it does include pipe entry at or into the structure, up to and including the shut off valve

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