NauVEL
Naugatuck Valley Emends Lead Hazards

The Naugatuck Valley Health District (NVHD) is committed to protecting children from lead poisoning and making homes in the valley safe and healthy. NVHD's NauVEL (Naugatuck Valley Emends Lead Hazards) program has $2.9M in Lead Hazard Control & Healthy Homes grants from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

NVHD is partnering with the Connecticut Children's Healthy Homes Program to protect children before they are poisoned by lead hazards or injured by safety hazards in their homes. We offer services in our member communities: **Ansonia, Beacon Falls, Derby, Naugatuck, Seymour, and Shelton.**

The NauVEL program provides qualified homeowners and tenants with:

- Inspections and plans for lead and home safety hazard removal
- Financial assistance to remediate hazards
- Lead Hazards – $9,600 per unit (average)
- Other Home Health Hazards – Additional $ to address healthy homes issues.
  Note: only units enrolled in the lead hazard control program are eligible for Health Homes funding
- Relocation assistance during construction
- Referrals to low- or no-cost home weatherization programs designed to increase energy efficiency
- Lead hazard and healthy homes education

Eligibility:

- Privately owned housing, built prior to 1978
- Occupant income of less than 80% of area median income
- For owner-occupant, a child under six must reside or spend significant time in unit

Owner requirements for term of assistance:

- Maintain ownership of the property for a period of three years
- For rental units, a program contribution of $1,000 per unit is required, payable when we sign a contract (forgiven for two rental units in buildings with low-income owner-occupants).
- Charge Fair Market Rent as defined by HUD. Section 8 recipients automatically qualify.
- Give priority in renting units to families with children 5 years old or younger

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