

ALAMEDA COUNTY
LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
A Joint Powers Authority serving the Cities of Alameda, Berkeley, Emeryville, and Oakland

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DATE: December 10, 2021

TO: Directors and Alternates
Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

FROM: Larry Brooks, Secretary
Joint Powers Authority

SUBJECT: **Meeting of the Board of Directors**

The meeting of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for **Thursday, December 16th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and pursuant to California Government Code section 54953, the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Meeting of the Board of Directors will be available via teleconference.

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Attached is the agenda packet for the meeting.

Thank you.

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

A G E N D A
Meeting of the Board of Directors

December 16th, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.

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NOTICE: All meetings of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors are open to the public. Those wishing to address the Board of Directors on items not on the agenda may do so during the open forum section of the meeting.

- 1) **Roll Call**
- 2) **Public Comment** (Discussion)
Directors, alternates, staff, or members of the public may address the Board of Directors regarding items not on the agenda. The Board will listen to matters presented but may not take action on these items.
- 3) **Resolution AB 361: Open Meetings State & Local Agencies** (Action) Pg. 1
- 4) **Meeting Minutes for November 18th, 2021** (Action) Pg. 3
- 5) **Director's Report** (Information/Action)
- 6) **Presentation- Sindoor/Kumkum: Our New Turmeric** (Information/Action)
- 7) **November Monthly Report** (Information) Pg. 6
- 8) **Future Agenda Items** (Discussion)
- 9) **Announcements by Board Directors** (Information)
- 10) **Adjournment**

Material related to an item on this Agenda, including those submitted to the Board of Directors after distribution of the agenda packet, and are available for public inspection at the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department office during normal business hours.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-___

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING DECEMBER 16, 2021

WHEREAS, the Ralph M. Brown Act (Gov. Code sections 54950 *et seq.*), requires the meetings of local legislative bodies to be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority (“the Board of Directors”) and its committees or subcommittees that are subject to the Brown Act are open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act allows meetings by teleconference, provided specified requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency declaring a state of emergency exists in California due to the threat of COVID-19, pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code section 8625), which has not yet been lifted; and

WHEREAS, the Governor, toward the beginning of the state of emergency, issued executive orders suspending certain requirements of the Brown Act regarding teleconferencing; the Governor’s suspension of Brown Act teleconferencing requirements expired on September 30, 2021, pursuant to Executive Order N-08-21; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, the Governor signed into law AB 361, which amended the Brown Act to allow teleconferenced meetings under abbreviated teleconference procedures during a state of emergency (Gov. Code section 54953(e)); and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 54953(e), provides for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), during a state of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code section 8625, if certain conditions exist; and

WHEREAS, the conditions of Government Code section 54953(e) are that state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or in the alternative, the legislative body holds a meeting to determine, or has already determined, by a majority vote that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health of California’s (Cal/OSHA) issued Emergency Temporary Standards that require employers to train and instruct employees that the use of social distancing helps combat the spread of COVID-19 (8 Cal. Code Regs. 3205(c)(5)(D).); and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2021, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda accepted the recommendation of the Health Care Services Agency Director for continued social distancing at all meetings of the full Board of Supervisors and at all Board of Supervisors Committee meetings; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. All of the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. The Board of Directors finds that state and local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing. The Board of Directors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that state and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Section 3. The Board of Directors finds that as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. The Board of Directors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person.

Section 4. The Board of Directors therefore determines that it and its legislative bodies shall conduct their meetings by teleconferencing in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e).

Section 5. This Resolution expires thirty (30) days after the date of its adoption only to the extent required by law. Otherwise, this Resolution shall remain in effect until repealed by the Board of Directors.

ADOPTED this ___ day of _____ 2021 by the Board of Directors of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority, by the following vote:

YES:

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

John J. Bauters
Chair

Attest:

Larry Brooks
Secretary

Approved as to form:
DONNA R. ZIEGLER
County Counsel

By: _____
Andrew J. Massey, Deputy

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES

November 18, 2021

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Noel Gallo, Oakland; Malia Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley;
John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Jared Savas, County of Alameda

Staff: Larry Brooks; Lidice De La Fuente; Ruben Briones

Others: None

Absent: None

Director John J. Bauters called into order the teleconference for the Meeting of the Board of Directors at 9:02 A.M.

1) **Roll Call**

2) **Public Comment**

None

3) **Resolution AB361: Open Meetings State & Local Agencies**

Action: The Board approved Resolution AB361 Open Meetings State & Local Agencies, November 18th, 2021.

Approved: Noel Gallo **Seconded:** Susan Wengraf **Ayes:** 4- Gallo; Vella; Wengraf; Bauters

No: None **Abstain:** None **Community Representative's Vote:** None

Absent: Gwen Hardy **Excused:** None

4) **Meeting Minutes for October 28, 2021**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for October 28, 2021.

Moved: Susan Wengraf **Seconded:** Noel Gallo **Ayes:** 3-Gallo; Wengraf; Bauters

No: None **Abstain:** Malia Vella **Community Representative's Vote:** None

Absent: Gwen Hardy **Excused:** None

5) **JPA Meeting Schedule 2022**

Action: The Board approved the JPA meeting schedule for calendar year 2022.

Moved: Susan Wengraf **Seconded:** Malia Vella **Ayes:** 4-Gallo; Vella; Wengraf; Bauters

No: None **Abstain:** None **Community Representative's Vote:** None

Absent: Gwen Hardy **Excused:** None

6) **Director's Report**

Director Gwen Hardy arrived at item 6.

Secretary Larry Brooks informed Directors that with the guidance of Director John J. Bauters the Department posted on its website a statement on the passing of County Board Supervisor and JPA Director Wilma Chan. County Alternate, Jared Savas, announced a community memorial in honor of Supervisor Chan on December 8, 2021, 2:00-4:00 PM at the Oakland Museum of California. Mr. Savas also announced that Supervisor Chan's Chief of Staff, Dave Brown, was appointed Supervisor and will serve the remaining of her term. Directors recognized the work of Supervisor Chan stating she was the beacon on the Board of Supervisors on issues focusing on homes, children, families and immigrants and the County is deeply indebted to her for her years in public service.

Mr. Brooks announced he will serve as a speaker at the Detroit Lead Listening Tour during the Life Without Lead: County Solutions Session.

Moreover, Mr. Brooks referred to the Sacramento Bee article by Hanh Truong, Child Lead Poisoning in Sacramento: Here are Signs, Sources and Prevention Measures highlighting a bill co-sponsored by the California Healthy Housing Coalition that would refund the State Code Enforcement Incentive and Community Code Enforcement Pilot Program grants.

Mr. Brooks announced that he was invited to speak in February 2022 at the virtual Lead and Healthy Housing Annual Conference, which will focus on interdisciplinary neighborhood-based approach for monitoring child exposure to lead.

Mr. Brooks congratulated the Department's Education and Engagement team for participating in an outreach event during Lead Week at Hoover Elementary promoting the Department's theme of, "Take Action. Be a Hero".

7) **Presentation: How Does Alameda County Compare?**

Special Projects Coordinator, Ruben Briones, presented preliminary data analysis of Alameda County Lead Poisoning performance in response to Director Susan Wengraf's questions during the October 28th, 2021 JPA meeting. Questions raised were whether the Department is seeing a decrease in lead poisoning and how the County rates compare with those of other counties.

Mr. Briones highlighted the following:

Alameda County is still higher than Flint, Michigan's 5 percent; Fruitvale District in Oakland is ground zero at above 7 percent; According to a report by the 2019 California Childhood Lead Poisoning branch the highest percent of children with blood lead level of 4.5mcg/dL or greater in Alameda County were in zip codes 94538 Blacow neighborhood, 94536 North Fremont/ Brookvale neighborhood both in the City of Fremont and zip code 94601 Fruitvale in the City of Oakland. Fruitvale District improved from 7.5 percent of children tested being lead exposed to 2.2 percent and lower on the list of zip codes with high exposures. In 2018, 51 percent of the sources of lead were non-housing related (cosmetics, cultural products) and Afghan children were the leading victims of lead poisoning. Housing-related lead hazards were the main sources for non-Hispanic Black children and for Hispanic children both housing and non-housing sources. In the last five years the County has seen a high number of Afghan children lead exposed making the two zip codes in Fremont some of the highest in the state. The County ranks 33rd among the reporting entities at 2.22 percent and ranks in the middle among counties with the same population such as Santa Clara County at 1.47 percent and Sacramento County at 3.73 percent. Healthy Homes Department has made significant progress since 2007 in reducing the percentage of young children that are lead exposed over 4.5 mcg/dL, but is still behind other similar sized counties in the number of children that are lead exposed, in particular Medi-Cal children. From 2007 to 2019 Alameda County has had a 57 percent reduction of young children being lead exposed and is improving at a faster rate.

Director Wengraf thanked Mr. Briones for the report and expressed concern of influx of Afghani population exposed to lead and encouraged a robust outreach education in that community. Department Outreach Coordinator, Soni Johnson, stated the Department has resources available, has reached out to relocation agencies, clinics, and has written materials in Afghani languages. Ms. Johnson noted 120,000 Afghan refugees are expected in Alameda County.

Director Noel Gallo indicated he looks forward to a more in-depth discussion with the County on what Oakland can do specifically to protect the children. Director Bauters asked staff to meet with Director Gallo to further discuss what has worked in other communities, what could work and what ways we can help to take down bureaucratic barriers.

8) **Lead Settlement Negotiations**

Secretary Brooks stated the primary goal of the Race Equity Impact Analysis report released by the City of Oakland is to establish a proactive rental inspection program in the city of Oakland. Mr. Brooks reminded Directors that on September 8, 2021 the City of Oakland negotiating team asked for 70 percent of the lead settlement funds to be used on equity elements and proactive rental inspection program in the city. The County countered and provided a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to the City reflecting 40 percent of the funds be directed to the County for Countywide services, 20 percent of the funds to be administered by Oakland and to negotiate the remaining 40 percent to be spent in Oakland and administered by the County. Mr. Brooks stated the County hopes to have the MOU in place by the end of the calendar year.

Mr. Brooks made a presentation on the status of the Lead Settlement negotiations to the Urban County cities upon the request of the Alameda County Housing Community Development Department.

Director Gallo thanked Mr. Brooks for the update and asked for a copy of the last slide displayed during the meeting and asked for a meeting to further discuss details of the negotiations. Director Bauters directed staff to meet with Director Gallo at the end of the JPA meeting.

9) **October Monthly Reports**

Lidice De La Fuente highlighted events for the month of October. The education and engagement team conducted various outreach activities including participating in a Twitter chat lead by the National Center for Healthy Housing; multiple radio campaigns broadcast on Pandora, iHeart, Bonneville and Univision radio; Ran weeklong online newspaper ads in Oaklandside, Berkeley and Alameda Sun newspapers and lastly utilized E-subscribe newsletter to promote Healthy Homes contest kit giveaway.

10) **Future Agenda Items**

None

11) **Announcements by Board Directors**

Director Bauters reminded Directors that National Transgender Day of Remembrance is November 20th, 2021 and asked to reach out to him to learn more about how you can be of support.

12) **Adjournment**

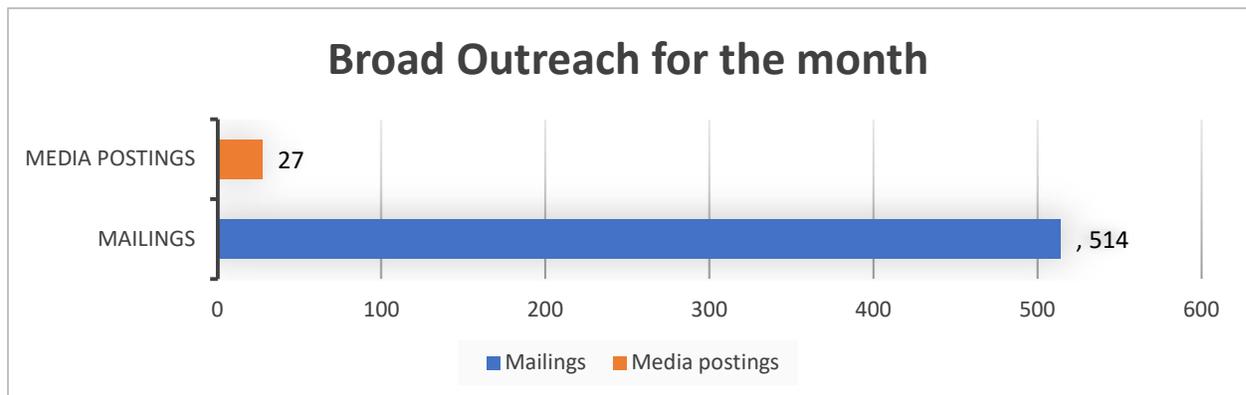
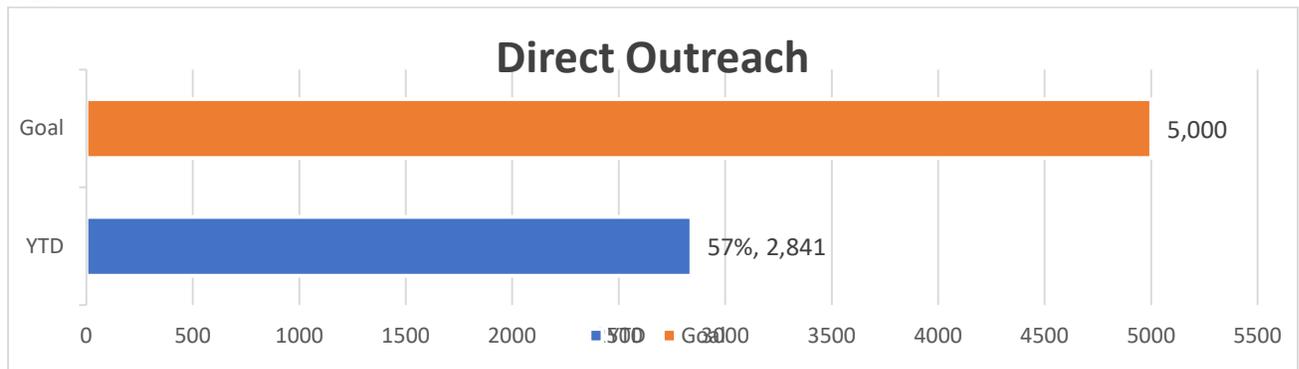
Meeting adjourned at 10:08 AM with a minute of silence to commemorate Director Wilma Chan.

Alameda County Healthy Homes Department Outreach and Education Report Objectives FY 20-21

Report for November 2021

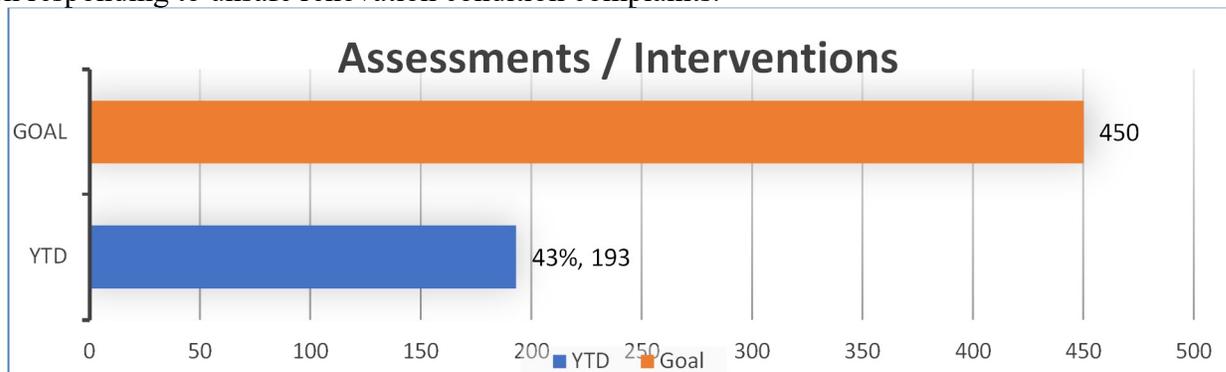
Public Outreach

By June 30, 2022, Alameda County residents will be reached and informed of CSA property owner services, lead safety, lead regulations, childhood lead poisoning prevention, maintaining a lead-safe property, the impact of housing on health and other Department services. Direct outreach to an estimated 5,000 residents will be done through community events such as presentations, information booths, trainings, collaboration meetings and phone consultations, etc. An estimated 1 million individuals will be reached through website, social media, mailings, literature drops, and articles, etc.



Healthy Housing Assessments/Interventions

By June 30, 2022, a total of 450 healthy housing assessments / interventions will be conducted in the homes of Alameda County residents participating in the Lead Hazard Control Program, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Minor Home Repair, and Independent Living Homes Project or when responding to unsafe renovation condition complaints.



Activities conducted November 2021:

CITY	Public Outreach and Housing Assessments/Interventions
Alameda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mailing: Lead Poisoning Outreach and Education, (1 reached)
Berkeley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Housing Assessments/Intervention, (2 lead related) • Collaboration Meeting: Berkeley Tobacco Prevention Coalition, (8 reached)
Emeryville	
Oakland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Collaboration Meetings: SB 617 West Oakland Steering Committee; West Oakland Community Collaborative Steering Committee Meeting; 18th Annual Business Awards Luncheon-Oakland African American Chamber of Commerce, (268 reached) • 2 Info Booths: Resource Fair Hoover Elementary and Laurel ACE Hardware, (51 reached) • Mailing: Lead Poisoning Outreach and Education, (3 reached) • 11 Housing Assessments/Interventions, (9 lead related)
Countywide Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Collaboration meetings: Refugee Resettlement Welcoming Afghan Arrivals; Anthem Blue Cross Community Advisory Committee; EBHOs Annual Membership meeting & Celebration; Safe Kids Alameda County, (254 reached) • Media-Social: Twitter; Facebook; Instagram; YouTube; Google Ads, (37,786 views) • 14,737 Website Visitors • 139 Information calls
Other Alameda County cities not in the CSA / Regional/Out of State/ National	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Racial Health Equity Lunch N Learn Event by CDPH Office of Health Equity, (94 reached) • Lit rack: Afghan Resource Drop Off @ Hayward Wellness Center • Mailing: Lead Poisoning Outreach and Education, (10 reached) • 20 Housing Assessments/Interventions, (10 lead related)