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CLEVELAND – Mayor Frank G. Jackson is pleased to announce that the Department of Community Development and its partners have been awarded nearly one million dollars to fund Warm & Healthy Homes for Cleveland from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD's award in the amount of $930,000 in addition to supporting funds from Green & Healthy Housing Initiative, $276,000; Swetland Center Environmental Health - Case Western Reserve School of Medicine, $111,476;

Cleveland Foundation, $90,000; and Saint Luke Foundation, $30,000 brings the amount for the program to more than $1,000,000."The receipt of the grant will support a unique and strong partnership in helping families have healthier, energy efficient and sustainable homes. That result is squarely within the Mayor's goal for creating healthy and sustainable neighborhoods for our citizens," said Daryl Rush, Director, Department of Community Development.The project will produce safe and healthy homes; provide healthy house education to physicians; create the training, assessment tools, and institutional support to help make healthy house interventions an on-going part of weatherization work; and provide green and health workforce training to over 200 workers to upgrade their skills.Douglas W. Shelby, Field Office Director, of the Cleveland HUD office said, "This grant is an investment in the lives of Cleveland's children.

As public servants, we have no greater responsibility than to leave our kids a world that is better than what our parents gave us. We can help do that by making sure that the tragedy of lead poisoning and other environmental threats to children are abated.”Warm and Healthy Homes will assist up to 200 homes in the City of Cleveland. Environmental Health Watch Director, Stuart Greenberg said, “By combining home weatherization with environmental health intervention we will have more warm and healthy homes in our Cleveland communities. Involving physicians through home visits will help doctors have a better understanding of how to advise residents about alleviating home environmental issues that may impact the health of those patients.”-

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