Central Michigan District Health Department

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RE: Water Filter Distribution for Eligible City of Clare residents

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City of Clare Water Filter Distribution for Eligible Residents

(City of Clare) Central Michigan District Health Department distributed 165 water filters to City of Clare residents who met eligibility requirements on Friday, September 27th.

The Central Michigan District Health Department (CMDHD) will offer lead-certified water filters free of charge (one per household) to eligible city residents. Filters will be available on Monday, September 30, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (or until supplies last) at the Pere Marquette District Library, 184 E. Fourth Street, in Clare. Please bring your driver's license or state ID card with you.

City residents may be eligible for a free filter **if they meet all of the following**:

- The household is connected to the City of Clare water and has not previously received a water filter from the city, the state, or the local health department **and**
- A child under the age of 18 is currently living in the home, **OR** a child under the age of 18 spends a few hours a day and several days a week at this address for at least 3 months of the year **OR** a pregnant woman lives in the home **and**
- A member of the household receives WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) benefits, Medicaid Insurance or otherwise is unable to afford a water filter

City residents who are not eligible to receive a free water filter can learn more about lead in drinking water, or selecting the right filter for their home, by visiting www.cmdhd.org/lead.

Central Michigan District Health Department will also be offering blood lead screening of children, ages 1 month – 6 years of age who live in a home connected to the City of Clare water supply on Monday, September 30, 2019 at the Pere Marquette District Library, 184 E. Fourth Street, in Clare.

City of Clare residents who have questions about water testing can call (989) 424-4071 or visit www.cityofclare.org.

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