

## **Framework for EDF LSL Replacement Recognition**

### **Communities that have set a goal of full lead service line replacement:**

Environmental Defense Fund recognizes communities (including cities and water utilities) that have publicly set a goal of eliminating lead services lines (LSLs) on public and private property. The community does not need to have all the mechanisms in place to accomplish the goal but should have demonstrated progress. EDF posts on its website a short description of the community's program and its progress in four activities specifically:

1. Avoiding partial LSL replacement, unless the customer refuses to have their portion of the service line replaced.
2. Finding ways to make replacement economical to ensure that replacement is conducted in an equitable manner.
3. Developing a robust, public inventory of LSLs on public and private property in a timely manner.
4. Providing guidance to property owners that want to finance replacement of their LSL and coordinating to replace the entire lead pipe (public and private) at the request of the property owner.

### **Communities that have not set a goal but have taken important steps:**

Many communities are taking steps to fully replace LSLs but are not ready to publicly set such a goal. We recognize those that have fulfilled at least one of the four activities described above and post a short description on our website under the heading "Taking Steps on Replacing Lead Service Lines."

**For consistency and transparency, we have only included information that has been made publicly available through an official source such a municipality or utility webpage or an ordinance.**