

# Resources for City of Benton Harbor

## Tap water can be used for:



Showering or bathing (avoid swallowing water).



Laundry.



Washing hands.



Cleaning.



Washing dishes.

## Bottled water should be used for:



Drinking.



Making baby formula.



Cooking.



Brushing teeth.



Rinsing foods.



**Do not use hot water from your tap for drinking or cooking.** Lead dissolves more easily into hot water.

**Do not try to remove lead by boiling the water.** Lead is not removed by boiling. Water evaporates during boiling, so the amount of lead in the water may end up higher than before boiling.

## Water Distribution

Dates and locations for bottled water pick up is posted on [Michigan.gov/MiLeadSafe](https://Michigan.gov/MiLeadSafe). To arrange water delivery to homebound or residents without transportation in the City of Benton Harbor, please contact 2-1-1 (844-875-9211) which is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Scan the QR code to find locations and times to pick up free bottled water.



## Food and Other Assistance Programs

Benton Harbor families in need of support may be eligible to receive food assistance and other state assistance program benefits like health care coverage, childcare, utility relief and cash assistance. To learn more, call 2-1-1 (844-875-9211) or apply for benefits and explore local resources at [Michigan.gov/MIBridges](https://Michigan.gov/MIBridges).

To protect Benton Harbor's youngest residents and prevent lead exposure, the Michigan WIC program will begin providing ready-to-feed formula that does not require mixing with water to Benton Harbor eligible WIC clients. Ready-to-feed formula is available like current formula benefits, using the WIC EBT card at authorized WIC vendors. Clients will be contacted by text messages or a call from the Michigan WIC office.

## For general questions about lead:

MDHHS can be reached at 866-691-5323 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (excluding holidays).



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ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 800-648-6942 (TTY: 711).

ملحوظة: إذا كنت تتحدث اذكر اللغة، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك بالمجان. اتصل برقم 800-648-6942 (رقم هاتف الصم والبكم: 711-TTY).