

Healthy Communities Newsletter
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Grantee Announcements

- **BHC Grant Meeting **RESCHEDULED** to Thursday, October 28th at 1:30 p.m.**

This meeting has been moved back one week. Please mark your calendars and you will receive an agenda before the 28th.

BHC DATA ARE PAST DUE!

If you still have not turned in your SOPARC, Farmers Market or Community Garden data, please email Julian Reed your spreadsheets to julian.reed@furman.edu

Be aware compliance with BHC requirements will affect future funding decisions.

- **BHC Quarter 4 Reports are Due Friday October 15, 2010**

Questions? Contact Jim Harrington at (989) 619-4204 or Christina Harvey at (517) 373-7958

- **NACDD ACHIEVE Applications coming soon!**

The National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Adult and Community Health has released it's RFA for the Action Communities for Health, Innovation and EnVironmental ChangeE (ACHIEVE) program.

Up to 10 local health departments/communities will be chosen through NACDD for a 3-year funding cycle of up to \$64,000. NACDD requires that local communities apply for this funding through the State Health Department. As a result, MDCH will be releasing the local health department RFA for this funding early next week (October 18) with an open conference call to answer questions to take place early the following week (October 25).

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Please note: those LHDs already receiving ACHIEVE funding through any of the national partners (Y-USA, NRPA, NACCHO, or NACDD) or other CDC Healthy Communities funding (including Pioneering Healthy Communities or Strategic Alliance for Health) do not qualify for this funding application. MDCH is particularly interested in supporting those LHDs new to Michigan's Building Healthy Communities (MI-BHC) efforts or who have not received MI-BHC funding in the past. For more information, visit <http://www.chronicdisease.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3496>.

BHC in the News

■ Houghton named "Bike Friendly"

[This article](#) and video clip on the Upper Michigan's Source webpage highlight Houghton's recent national recognition from the American League of Bicyclists. Congratulations!

■ Success Stories from Marquette

Check out the attachments for articles covering the Negaunee Hoop House and the installation of a boardwalk around Jackson Mine Pit 1 in Negaunee (part of the Iron Ore Heritage trail).

Resources

■ Wondering about how to implement Complete Streets locally?

Visit Tacoma, Washington's [Complete Streets Design Guidelines Project](#). Although Tacoma serves about 200,000 people, their process and Mixed-use Center Guidelines and Residential Guidelines serve up some practical ideas to implement Complete Streets throughout the city.

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Upcoming Training Opportunities

Planning Michigan 2010

October 20-23, 2010

Michigan Association of Planning's Annual Conference
Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center
Register [here](#)

The conference brochure is [available here](#).

Feet to the Streets: Alternatives to Motorized Transportation- Webinar Series

Keeping Kids Moving: How Equitable Transportation Policy Can Reverse Childhood Obesity

Thursday, October 21st 2pm

[Register Here](#)

Strategies for creating opportunities that encourage non-motorized transportation.

Safe Routes to School Coaching Action Network Webinar Series

Personal Security and Safe Routes to School

Thursday, October 26th 1pm

[Register Here](#)

Concerns about children's personal security can sometimes serve as a roadblock to developing a Safe Routes to School Program. What are the personal security issues that children may face when walking to school? Which issues are real problems and which ones are perceptions? How can parents and school communities address these concerns? This webinar will present an overview of personal security issues and statistics as well as strategies to address these issues. The webinar will also provide information on anti-bullying programs and share one school's first-hand experience in tackling bullying issues.

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2010 Michigan Community and School Gardeners Networking Meeting

Saturday, November 13th in Kalamazoo, Michigan

[Register here](#)

This annual event is an excellent opportunity to discuss the innovative community and school gardening work currently taking place around Michigan and Northern Ohio and facilitate the development of communication. See event flyer [here](#).

Access Past SEMCOG University Trainings [here](#)

Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC) Trainings

Trainings Listed [Here](#)

Webinars Listed [Here](#)

Got a Question? Contact the Healthy Communities Team

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