

**Michigan Public Health Week 2008**  
**Climate Change—Our Health in the Balance**  
**Hometown Health Hero Nomination Form**

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**Nominee Information**

Please check or highlight one:  Individual  Group/Organization

Name\* Drusilla Allen

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Name of Local Newspaper Belleville Independent and Belleville View

\* Those selected will have their names mentioned in a press release.

Check the box next to the most appropriate Climate Change theme of this person or organization's work:

- Preparedness & Extreme Weather Conditions  Food & Water Supply  
 Air Pollution & Respiratory Health  Mental Health  
 Water- & Vector-Borne Diseases

Tell Us about Your Hometown Health Hero

Please describe (**in 300 words or less**) why this person or organization is a Hometown Health Hero. If you are nominating a person who is employed full time in public or environmental health, tell us how this person has gone beyond normal job duties to address climate change needs.

*Please note, due to a high volume of nominations, keep your submission to 300 words or less. Early submission is encouraged.*

Drucilla Allen has been an employee with the Wayne County Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Section, since 1987. She has B.S. Degree in Environmental Health from Ferris State College. Ms. Allen is also a volunteer member of the Sumpter Township Parks and Recreation Commission where she has served for 8 years. As a member of the Sumpter Township Parks Commission, Ms. Allen has been influential in helping to create a positive healthy recreational setting in the community. Some of her activities include: cleaning up the horse trails and walking trails by picking up and removing trash, downed trees and other debris in parks; bringing in sand to create a beach and swimming area; removing algae and putting algaecide in the water; repairing the fishing dock; stocking the pond with various fish species; putting together a playground kit, which contained swings, slides, and a climbing wall; and erecting two steel pavilion kits, manmade grills and picnic tables. This year, Ms. Allen and the Commission will be working on projects at another park which will include erecting another playground and pavilion kit, redoing the horseshoe pits with new sand and timbers, removing and pouring a new concrete basketball court and installing new hoops. Ms. Allen has also assisted in creating a calendar of events for individuals of all ages. These activities include: remote control boat races, fishing derbies, fun runs, basketball tournaments, and family fun days. Ms. Allen says that she enjoys her work with the Commission because it is an effort to improve her community and get children and adults involved in fun and healthy outdoor activities.

Submit completed forms via email to [kovalj@michigan.gov](mailto:kovalj@michigan.gov) or fax to 517-335-9434 by **March 7, 2008**.