Chicago Department of Public Health and Healthy Chicago 2025:



Working in Partnership to Close the Racial Life Expectancy Gap

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Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH)

Serve 2.7 million residents of the City of Chicago

Vision: A city of thriving communities where all residents are able to live healthy lives

Mission: To promote and improve health by engaging residents, communities and partners in establishing and implementing policies and services that prioritize residents and communities with the greatest need





Healthy Chicago 2.0 to Healthy Chicago 2025



HEALTHY CHICAGO 2.0 PARTNERING TO IMPROVE HEALTH EQUITY 2016-2020





HEALTHY CHICAGO 2025

is a plan for the local public health system – including community groups, government agencies, businesses, faith-based organizations, researchers, community development professionals, health and social service providers, and others – to eliminate the racial life expectancy gap and help all Chicagoans enjoy longer, safer, healthier lives.



Partnership for Healthy Chicago

A 40+ member coalition representing Chicago's public health system that advances health and racial equity through coordinated action and planning.



Healthy Chicago 2025 Vision

A city where all people and all communities have power, are free from oppression and strengthened by equitable access to resources, environments and opportunities that promote optimal health and well-being.





Healthy Chicago 2025 Vision



Bay Area Regional Health Inequities Initiative

Community Health Assessment



Reviewed community plans and held community meetings to hear directly from local organizations and community members **4,000** surveys and **42** focus groups to collect community themes and strengths

HEALTHY CHICAGO 2025 DATA COMPENDIUM

> HEALTHY CHICAGO

Compiled **thousands of indicators** to better understand health, access to resources and community conditions



Engaged partners to assess local **public health system capacity** and forces of change

Racial Life Expectancy Gap

LIFE EXPECTANCY **DECREASING** FOR ALL RACE-ETHNICITIES EXCEPT WHITE, NON-LATINX



Community Meetings















Community wants to actively engage as part of the public health system







Four Themes Emerged From Assessment

 Transform policies & processes to foster antiracist, multicultural systems

Social and Institutional Inequities



• Strengthen community capacity & youth leadership

Living Conditions

- Improve systems of care for populations most affected by inequities
- Further health & vibrancy of neighborhoods



Healthy Chicago 2025 Guiding Principles

Anti-racist

We actively challenge and redress racist systems through our process and strategies.

Asset-based

We highlight community strengths and culture as we tell our stories.

Equity Focused

We consider who benefits and who is burdened by our proposed solutions.



Trauma Informed

We recognize that trauma affects all individuals, communities, organizations and systems and we support resilience and healing.

Capital Building

We promote community wealth, affordability and belonging.

Community-led

We make sure that community members, including youth, have power in decision-making

Priority Area Workgroups

- Workgroups led by CDPH staff and community co-chair
- > 600 people volunteered for workgroups from different sectors & types of organizations, broad public health system representation
- Held 1-3 meeting for each group to develop strategies/plan for change

Workgroups

- 1. Anti-racist, multicultural Systems
- 2. Community Capacity and Youth Leadership
- 3. Access to health and human services
- 4. Behavioral Health
- 5. Maternal, Infant, Child & Adolescent Health
- 6. Housing
- 7. Food Access
- 8. Community Safety
- 9. Environment
- 10. Neighborhood Development



Healthy Chicago 2025 Framework

A city where **all people and all communities are empowered, free from oppression** and...

Public Health System Organizations:

- Transform policies and processes to foster antiracist, multicultural systems
- Strengthen community capacity and youth leadership

Plan for Change

- Assess current practices, develop organizational goals, and participate in learning activities to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion
- 2. Adopt community engagement standards and processes.
- 3. Strengthen community leadership in public heath coalitions

Ideal State

Within one generation, all Chicagoans have voice and power in the public health system

Equity Measures

- 1. Increase diversity of workforce/ leadership
- 2. Increase local investments
- 3. Increase community engagement capacity

Population experiencing inequities Black and Latinx Chicagoans



Healthy Chicago 2025 Framework

strengthened by **equitable access to resources, environments and opportunities** that ...

Health and Human Services:

• Improve systems of care for populations most affected by inequities

Plan for Change

- 1. Establish & promote comprehensive resource information and referral system.
- 2. Support community alignment boards to identify and address access and service gaps.
- 3. Advocate to increase comprehensive and culturally appropriate healthcare for all
 - eligibility barriers, reimbursement rates, and coverage for root causes.

Ideal State

Within one generation, all Chicagoans benefit from a full range of health and human services

Equity Measures

- 1. Increase access to comprehensive and culturally appropriate healthcare
 - behavioral health, HIV, maternal/ infant health, and chronic disease) and social services

Population experiencing inequities Black and Latinx Chicagoans



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Further the health and vibrancy of neighborhoods

Public Safety: Advance a reform agenda that includes increased police accountability and reductions in negative engagement between community and policing systems.

Neighborhood Development:

Train City personnel and support community partners to conduct Health and Race Equity Impact Assessments (HREIA) and walkability assessments. **Housing**: Apply health criteria to housing resource allocations, including the City's Qualified Allocation Plan, Low-Income Housing Trust Fund, and TIF. **Food Access:** Use public health data to strengthen food policy, plans, and practices to increase equitable access to healthy food, strengthen the food safety net, and support local food producers and businesses

> **Environment:** Enhance policies related to zoning, environmental regulation, enforcement, and community participation



Measuring Progress

INDICATOR 1: LIFE EXPECTANCY

Increase life expectancy for Black Chicagoans and reverse declines in Latinx and Asian populations

INDICATOR 2: OVERALL HEALTH STATUS

Improve overall health status for Black and Latinx Chicagoans



INDICATOR 3: ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Increase economic well-being for Black and Latinx Chicagoans

INDICATOR 4: MENTAL WELL-BEING

Increase access to behavioral health treatment for all Chicagoans, with a focus on Black, Latinx and Asian populations



Next Step: Implementation

Build implementation/oversight body aligned with Guiding Principles

- Strengthen the Partnership for Healthy Chicago
- Engage the City's Racial Equity Rapid Response Team
- Involve Mayor's Office for Racial Equity and Social Justice
- Opportunities for people with lived experience
- Hyper-local community organizations



COVID 19: Racial Inequities

Chicago COVID-19 Deaths

Chicago COVID-19 Cases



CHICAGO

Asian-Non-Latinx Black-Non-Latinx Latinx White-Non-Latinx Other-Non-Latinx

Call for Social Justice





Rev. Otis Moss III Senior Pastor, Trinity United Church of Christ May 31, 2020



Community Voice/Decision Making





How to Move Healthy Chicago 2025 Forward





Cityofchicago.org/Health



CDPH is committed to ensuring a healthy and safe environment by reducing environmental hazards that have a negative impact on the health of our City and residents.

- Environmental Permitting and Inspection: We are committed to ensuring businesses operate in a safe manner that protects our residents who work and live in the city.
- Healthy Chicago 2.0: Serves as the start for a new movement dedicated to improving health equity and making Chicago a connected, vibrant and healthy city for all residents.
- Healthy Chicago 2025: A plansion all Chicago that addresses structural and institutional inequities and living conditions to improve health and well-being.
 - Playstreets Chicago: A permit program allows residents to establish short-term traffic restrictions on their streets to use as pop-up recreation spaces.
 - Vector Control: We monitor and reduce the risk of mosquito-borne diseases like West Nile Virus and Zika.





Questions?

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