



RIISING TO THE CHALLENGE: **LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH HEROES 2021** **Local Public Health Hero Award Nomination**

Your (nominator's) information:

Nominator's name:	Email:
Today's date:	Phone:

Nominee's information:

Name of individual/team/organization:	Contact person (if different):	Email:
Mailing address:	Phone:	
Nominee is a (an):	Ever received a Local Public Health Hero award?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> team/collaboration <input type="checkbox"/> organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	

Purpose

In celebration of National Public Health Week, the Minneapolis Health Department (MHD) would like to recognize the accomplishments of community partners who support our vision and help raise awareness of the critical roles that public health and prevention play in making Minneapolis a healthier place to live, learn, work, and play. The year 2020 called on all of us to "Rise to the Challenge" in different ways. Whether it be responding to the Drake Fire, COVID-19, the civil unrest as a result of the killing of George Floyd or maintaining business as usual, we were all asked to go above and beyond in 2020. We recognize and appreciate all that our partners have done in response.

Vision

Healthy lives, health equity, and healthy environments are the foundations of a vibrant Minneapolis now and into the future.

Process

- Please submit your nomination(s) for Local Public Health Hero awards by filling out this nomination form. Email it to health@minneapolismn.gov with the subject line: "Local Public Health Hero" - **Submissions are due Thursday, April 8 at 5PM**; Winners will be notified by **Monday, April 19**.

Outcomes

- Local Public Health Hero Award winners will receive their awards at individualized, virtual award ceremonies. An invitation will be sent with instructions on how to participate.
- Local Public Health Heroes will be chosen based on their work and dedication to one of the Health Department's Goals noted below.

Eligibility and Guidelines

- Nominations can be for individuals, teams/collaborations, or organizations in recognition for work on policy change, programs, services, or other efforts.

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- Nominations will be evaluated by the following criteria: 1) length of time since last Public Health Hero Award, if applicable; 2) strength of relationship with the Health Department; 3) exemplification of goal area; 4) work towards health equity; 5) public health impact; and 6) innovative practice(s).

Which Minneapolis Health Department goal does your Hero primarily work towards?

One or more awards may be awarded in each category of the Minneapolis Health Department goals.

Select ONE primary area:

☐ **A Healthy Start to Life and Learning**

- Strengthen systems of care for pregnant and parenting families
- Support and develop policies and partnership that strengthen families
- Strengthen systems for positive early childhood development

☐ **Thriving Youth and Young Adults**

- Improve the healthy development, health and well-being of youth
- Reduce unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections among youth and young adults

☐ **Healthy Living**

- Increase availability and affordability to health food; increase opportunities for physical activity
- Improve health care and community providers' ability to prevent obesity and tobacco use
- Advocate for policy to reduce exposure to second hand smoke and youth tobacco use
- Increase community engagement in creating opportunities for healthy living

☐ **A Healthy Place to Live**

- Reduce lead hazards in homes; reduce asthma triggers and home safety hazard in homes
- Strengthen systems that support healthy housing
- Increase community outreach and education around lead poisoning and other home hazards

☐ **Violence Prevention**

- Reduce incidence of violence, especially gun violence

☐ **Safe places to eat, swim, and stay**

- Reduce the risk of disease and injury from food, lodging and swimming establishments
- Establish a community engagement and education program

☐ **A Healthy Environment**

- Develop policies and organizational practices that support a clean, healthy, natural environment
- Monitor and reduce environmental hazards, nuisances, and pollution
- Increase education and outreach to improve compliance with existing or new environmental regulations

☐ **A Strong Urban Public Health Infrastructure**

- Increase emergency preparedness capacity internally and for the city as a whole
- Ensure residents who lack health insurance receive health care services and assistance with enrolling in government-funded health plans
- Improve population and environmental health through research and program evaluation.
- Develop, advocate for, and implement policies that improve population and environmental health
- Assure and maintain a diverse, engaged, and skilled workforce with the resources needed to achieve program goals in an efficient and effective manner
- Achieve the high-quality standards that merit accreditation from the national Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)

About the individual or organization:

- a) Describe the individual, team/collaboration, or organization and their public health-related projects or activities.
- b) What is their relationship to the Minneapolis Health Department, the intensity and/or history of that relationship? (Note: The award evaluation committee may not be familiar with the work of the nominee. Please be as specific and detailed as possible.) **250 word limit**

Reason for nomination:

- a) In what ways has the individual or organization exemplified the selected Health Department goal area?
- b) How has their work addressed health equity?
- c) How has their work strengthened public health in the City?
- d) How has their work been innovative? **250 word limit**

For reasonable accommodations or alternative formats please contact the Minneapolis Health Department at 612-673-2301 or health@minneapolismn.gov. People who are deaf or hard of hearing can use a relay service to call 311 at 612-673-3000. TTY users can call 612-673-2157 or 612-673-2626.

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