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**ASIAN HEALTH COALITION & ITS PARTNERS SELECTED  
FOR HEALTHY PLACES AWARD**

August 17, 2011 (Chicago) – The Asian Health Coalition has been selected as one of ten organizations chosen to implement community-level strategies to prevent obesity and help make healthier living easier in Chicago’s Chinatown neighborhood. A copy of the official press release is available [here](#).

The agency will be partner with Project Vision, a local youth-serving organization in Armour Square, along with Armour, Healy and Ward elementary schools to conduct neighborhood walkability assessments and develop school-based policies around physical activity and nutrition.

Healthy Places is a joint project of the Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children (CLOCC) and the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH), which received \$5.8 million from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to focus on policy, systems, and environmental change to support healthy eating and physical activity throughout the City. Funding comes from the Affordable Care Act's Prevention and Public Health Fund, and \$800,000 was set aside for community interventions.

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About AHC: Established in 1996, the Asian Health Coalition is a 501(c)3 non-profit with a mission to improve the health and wellness of the Asian American community through advocacy, technical assistance, community-based education and research. To learn more, visit [www.asianhealth.org](http://www.asianhealth.org).

About Healthy Places: Healthy Places is a collaborative effort between the Chicago Department of Public Health and the Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children at Children's Memorial Hospital funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Communities Putting Prevention to Work initiative, Cooperative Agreement Number 1U58DP002376-01.