Healthy Chicago Equity Zones are hyper-local partnerships established between the Chicago Department of Public Health and community partners to achieve the Healthy Chicago 2025 goal of closing the racial life expectancy gap in our city. They are equity-centered and people-powered to champion resilient Chicago communities.

In 2022, CDPH and partners conducted community health assessments across each Equity Zone:  

Top priorities for community-led action include:

- Behavioral Health
- Public Safety
- Housing

Each Equity Zone is led by a regional organization that collaborates with and funds other community-based partners.

North West:
Northwest Center

North / Central:
Swedish Covenant Hospital

West:
Rush University Medical Center

Southwest:
Southwest Organizing Project

Near South:
Greater Auburn Gresham Development Corporation

Far South:
Phalanx Family Services

Resources and Support to Meet Community Needs

CDPH provides Equity Zones with funding and capacity-building support so they can lead local strategies.  

$28 million
Invested by CDPH to fund the Healthy Chicago Equity Zone work to date.

IMPACT

161,682 Residents contacted for vaccination outreach activities

25,000+ Fentanyl test kits distributed to prevent overdose

7,000+ Community surveys conducted to understand local needs

6 Restaurants currently working to create diabetes friendly menu items

RESOURCES

For a list of Healthy Chicago Equity Zones community partners and more information, visit bit.ly/EquityZones

For more information about Healthy Chicago 2025, visit: www.healthychicago.org

June, 2023