



St. Paul Public Housing Agency

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Saint Paul Public Housing Agency (PHA) Receives 2015 Ramsey County Public Health Award

The PHA was named as one of the four winners of a 2015 Ramsey County Public Health Award, for the Resident Initiatives Department’s work under the Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP). The Ramsey County Public Health Awards honor individuals and groups who devote their time, energy and talents to improve the public health of individuals, families and communities in Ramsey County.

The awards were presented during the National Public Health Week at the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2015. Jon Gutzmann, Alicia Huckleby, Betsy Christensen and Eileen Tittle from the PHA attended the County Board meeting to accept the award.

Resident Initiatives Director Alicia Huckleby said “This award is a huge acknowledgement of the great partnership between the PHA and the St. Paul— Ramsey County Public Health Department under SHIP.”

The Ramsey County’s website explains the PHA’s award-winning work as follows:

The Saint Paul Public Housing Agency began working in 2011 with public housing residents to prevent and reduce chronic disease by focusing on healthy eating, active living and reducing tobacco use. The initiative, supported in part by funding from the Minnesota Department of Health’s (MDH) Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) began as a pilot project at five sites, and was expanded to include all 20 PHA sites that serve more than 10,000 individuals and families. ...

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(Pictured left to right: Commissioner Janice Rettman, Eileen Tittle, Betsy Christensen, Alicia Huckleby, Commissioner Victoria Reinhardt, Jon Gutzmann)

PHA Receives ‘Honorable Mention’ for the Metro Transit Commuter Choice Award!

On April 8, 2015 the PHA received recognition for ‘Honorable Mention’ by Met Council Chair Adam Duinick at the 2015 Commuter Choice Awards event held at the Union Depot in Saint Paul. The Commuter Choice Awards honor programs or initiatives that promote taking the bus or train, walking, bicycling, vanpooling, and carpooling.



Special thanks to Betsy Christensen, Resident Initiatives SHIP Coordinator, for her hard work in collaborating with Women on Bikes, St. Paul Smart Trips, Cycles for Change and Nice Ride. These partnerships make it possible for the PHA to promote and provide alternative transportation options to residents.

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