

What is Healthy City Fall River?



It's planting trees and making other improvements in the City's infrastructure



It's people using the bioreserve to learn about and to improve our environment



It's working with business and community leaders to solve problems and improve assets



It's volunteering to lead a group or activity for youth that helps to prevent substance abuse

The Fall River Healthy City Initiative was established in 2003 in partnership with the City of Fall River and Partners for a Healthier Community.



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Partners for a Healthier Community is the local Community Health Network Area (CHNA) organized by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to establish a working partnership between DPH and area residents to improve the health status of all those who live or work in the CHNA.

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The **Healthy City Fall River process** involves hundreds of individuals and dozens of organizations each involved in separate but related efforts to improve the health and quality of life of people who live or work here.

A **Design Team** made up of dozens of people from a broad array of groups and activities oversees the effort. The Team meets quarterly to review the progress of the Healthy City Fall River process and to make recommendations to the Planning Team, a smaller group composed of representatives of the Mayor's Office, the Fall River Department of Health and Human Services, Partners for a Healthier Community and the Southeastern Center for Healthy Communities. The role of the Design Team is to bring the input of the community, to help shape a plan of action and to evaluate the overall progress of the initiative.

Partners for a Healthier Community maintains a web site at www.healthycityfallriver.org that provides immediate access to information about the Action Priorities chosen by the people of Fall River-wide visioning process. Links to information about other Healthy City projects around the world as well as links to useful resources are also provided. Anyone wishing to join the Design Team or to have input into the process may e-mail the Healthy City Fall River Coordinator at drweed@cox.net or call 508-324-2405 at their convenience.

The **Healthy City CONNECTION** newsletter is published quarterly to provide easy access to information about the progress of the process and stories about community activities that contribute to a healthier city.

A **permanent display** of the Healthy City project is also maintained in the lobby of Government Center with information from the web site and the newsletter.

Isn't there something you would like to do to help make Fall River a healthier community?



It's kids getting involved in the many recreation opportunities in the City



It's responding to interest surveys to suggest ideas for future events



It's kids working in Youth Works over summer to improve the city



It's people like you helping to make Fall River a better place to live and work!

It's residents pitching in to clean up City neighborhoods and parks.



It's young people working with the police to fight neighborhood crime



It's adults volunteering their time to provide sports for kids



It's people taking advantage of the many fitness activities in the City



It's people taking time to check on and improve their health



It's young people contributing their ideas for a better future

