

Miscellaneous Supplemental Grantees

Local Conversations:

In 2008, the Ohio Commission on Minority Health launched the “Local Conversations” Initiative which was funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Office of Minority Health (OMH). This initiated the National Partnership for Action (NPA) to End Health Disparities strategy to “mobilize and connect individuals and organizations across the country to create a Nation free of health disparities with quality health outcomes for all people.”

To ensure the continued input of our communities the Commission is initiated, - “Continuing the Conversations – Round 2.” The Commission provided \$4,000 in funding toward the effort to obtain an update on the initial Local Conversation plans that were developed in eighteen areas across the state of Ohio.

18 Local Conversation Funded Agencies

1. Summit County Combined Health District, Akron
2. Canton City Health Department, Canton
3. City of Cincinnati Health Department, Cincinnati
4. Cleveland Department of Public Health, Cleveland
5. Columbus Public Health Department, Columbus
6. Public Health of Dayton and Montgomery County, Dayton
7. Health Partners of Western Ohio, Lima
8. Lorain County Urban League, Lorain
9. North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Mansfield
10. Portsmouth Inner City Development Corporation, Portsmouth
11. Community Action Council of Portage County, Ravenna
12. Erie County General Health District, Sandusky
13. Jefferson County 4th Street Health District, Steubenville
14. Lucas County Regional Health District, Toledo

15. Youngstown City Health District, Youngstown
16. Asian American Health Coalition, Statewide focus
17. Latino Affairs Commission, Statewide focus
18. Native American Indian Cultural Center, Statewide focus

Grantee Agency: Northeast Ohio Black Health Coalition

Project Title: State of Disparities in the African American Community: 150 Years after Emancipation

The Northeast Ohio Black Health Coalition's State of Disparities in the African American Community: 150 Years after Emancipation Conference examines how political and social policies have impacted disparities in education, housing, employment and health since Emancipation. The conference impact areas are the following Ohio Counties: Cuyahoga, Mahoning, Summit, Lorain, Trumbull, and Portage.

Grantee Agency: Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA)

Project Title: Festival Latino 2015

The mission of Festival Latino is to provide the community with an opportunity to experience a traditional and contemporary Latin American culture through the presentation of the performing and visual arts, educational workshops and authentic cuisine. The Health and Wellness Area of the festival will house groups offering services and health awareness issues specific to Latino issues. The goal of the health and wellness area is to educate the community and encourage them to participate in the screenings offered by social service organization that work with immigrant communities.

Grantee Agency: Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competency, Inc. (MACC)

Project Title: MACC 12th Annual Training Conference

The Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competency 12th Annual Statewide Training Conference will feature health promotional and educational activities, promote promising practices and research in the areas of behavioral/health and other social services in elimination disparities across communities and systems. The main goals of the conference are:

- Identify health disparities facing specific ethnic communities in Ohio.
- Identify ineffective services and offer better alternatives for misinterpreted consumers.
- Provide best practices models for improving care and reducing disparities.

Grantee Agency: Lorain Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program
Project Title: The 26th Annual Statewide Conference “We’ve Come Too Far to Turn Back Now...Sankofa”

Lorain Urban Minority Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Outreach Program’s 26th Annual Statewide Conference is a series of workshops with the goal of enhancing attendees’ knowledge of lupus, the stigma of having the disease, and information about the support groups being offered and how to be able to live with the disease. The workshop topics will; inform attendees about how to be a caregiver for a person living with lupus as well as information to help them understand the disease, provide information on the “Where R U?” lupus program being offered in Lorain County, and enhancing the awareness of lupus to attendees. The workshop will target minorities, chemical dependency professionals, faith based leaders, healthcare service providers, social workers, case managers, and family members who are working with minority women who may have lupus.