

## **Municipalities Honored for Promoting Good Health for Their Residents**

The Ohio Department of Health's Bureau of Healthy Ohio presented *Healthy Ohio-Healthy Community* awards to 10 of the 14 winning communities at the Ohio Society for Public Health Education Health Educators' Institute conference on October 18, 2012, at Deer Creek Lodge and Conference Center in Mt. Sterling, Ohio. This year, two cities that previously had received five or more gold awards since the award's establishment in 2006, received a platinum award—City of Westerville and City of Warren.

*Healthy Ohio-Healthy Community* awards recognize communities' outstanding achievements in developing and implementing health-related policies, and providing healthy community environments. The award recognizes communities' efforts in enabling employees, residents and visitors to make healthy choices including participating in physical activity, eating good, nutritious foods and avoiding tobacco.

The 2012 Healthy Ohio-Healthy Community award winners are:

**Platinum:** City of Westerville (Franklin) and City of Warren (Trumbull)

**Gold:** City of Columbus (Franklin); City of Springdale (Hamilton); and City of Wilmington (Clinton)

**Silver:** City of Dayton (Montgomery); Liberty Township (Delaware); City of Mansfield (Richland); Tuscarawas County; and Lake County

**Bronze:** Holmes County; City of Mentor (Lake); City of Findlay (Hancock); Marion County