

## CITY OF BERKELEY HEALTH STATUS REPORT 2007

### Conclusion

Based upon the findings in this Report, we have four key priority areas for action to address health inequities:

- ❖ **Ensuring a healthy start for every child**, through a focus on the conditions that promote healthy child development and support for parents and families
- ❖ **Positive youth development** to help adolescents build on their strengths to develop healthy lifestyles and healthy relationships, and to enjoy opportunities for healthy transition to adulthood.
- ❖ **Chronic illness prevention**, through creating a community in which every person has access to healthy food, safe places to play and exercise, social support, and access to preventive health services and appropriate treatment.
- ❖ **Public health preparedness**, to protect our community against infectious diseases and other emerging disease threats, and to make sure that we are prepared for any natural, biological, or environmental disasters that may threaten our well-being.

We invite you to join us to discuss the findings in this Report, and to help us develop strategies for action to improve the health of our community. You can find information about town hall forums and community meetings on our website at: <http://www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/publichealth>, or you can email us at [publichealth@ci.berkeley.ca.us](mailto:publichealth@ci.berkeley.ca.us).

Thank you.

