# Communities of Excellence in Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity Prevention (CX) Marin City Presented by County of Marin Nutrition Wellness Program & Research Program & Resear

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# What is CX<sup>3</sup>? What does it do?

- Check for assets in the neighborhood that support a healthy lifestyle
  - Healthy and accessible food stores, supermarkets,
  - Safe places to exercise, walk, play
- · Collect and measure
  - food quality,
  - availability and
  - affordability in the community
- · Shine a light on the built environment





#### What Does CX<sup>3</sup> Examine?

- 1. What does a "healthy community" look like?
- 2. How does our community measure up?
- 3.What do we need to change to make our neighborhood a healthy and safe place to be?





#### Partnerships

- · Rocky Graham Park Development
- · Reconstruction/renovation of the Community Center
- · Renovation of the Sausalito/Marin City School District's Baseball Field
- Collaboration with the School District and CBOS towards integrated programs for youth and families
- · Collaboration with the County of Marin CX3 program







Walking Hazards





Unhealthy Images for small children

### Why CX<sup>3</sup>?

- Some communities are struggling because they are not given a fair chance to be healthy.
- Where we live, work, and play is one of the most important things that determines our health.

**Health Disparities in America** 





- · More than one-third of U.S. adults are obese
- Highest obesity rates are among African American, Latino, and lower income households



#### **Marin County's Health Disparities**

#### Ross

#### Marin City

 Life expectancy: 77.4 years
 90% have completed high school and nearly 50% have a bachelor's degree or higher

Income: \$41,572

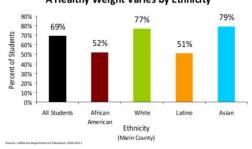
- Life expectancy: 88 years
- 98% completed high school and 80% have a bachelor's degree or higher
- Income: \$64,378

We need a public park!



#### **Marin County's Health Disparities**

5th, 7th and 9th Grade Students Who Are A Healthy Weight Varies by Ethnicity





Concrete Playground



## 1. Mapping



#### **SNAPSHOT OF MARIN CITY NEIGHBHOODS**

2509 Population (census tract 0604112900)

63% Percent of African Americans living in poverty (at or below 185% federal poverty level)

- 7 # of schools (k-8, preschools)
- # of public parks
- 0 # of farmers markets
- # of supermarkets/large grocery stores
- # of fast food outlets near schools
- # of other food sources (CVS and Dollar Tree)

Current Shopping Option





Convenience Stores

## 2. Field Surveying - Spring



- Availability of healthy foods in local stores
- What is the quality, quantity of the food?
- What types of cues or marketing messages are displayed?
- Are other sources of healthy food available (farmers' markets, food banks, community gardens)?
- Is the neighborhood "walkable" and safe?
- How many fast food outlets are located close to schools?

# 4-year cx3 Timeline

1. Mapping	Completed
2. Field Surveying	Spring 2013
3. Presenting Findings	Fall 2013
4. Addressing Priorities	Fall 2013 – Fall 2016



## 3. Presenting Findings



#### Fall 2013:

- Convene community members, retailers and providers to share field survey results
- Share community priorities



# 4. Addressing Priorities CHARTON for CHARGO

#### **Nutrition Education**

 classes, workshops, cooking demos, grocery store tours



- posters, recipes, cookbook
- Train the Trainer classes



# Cx3 Other Possible Outcomes...

- Community garden
- Farmers market
- Affordable grocery store???





