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The City of Hartford Department of Health and Human Services invites you to experience *PhotoVoice*, an exhibit focusing on reducing racial, ethnic and economic health disparities. It will be on display at the City of Hartford Health and Human Services Department at 131 Coventry Street (also known as the Burgdorf Health Center) from **June 8th through June 24th, 2010 with the kick-off on June 8th at 1:00 p.m.**

This collection of photographs, reflections and narratives from the Institute for Community Research's Youth Photo Voice Project brings the voices and wide variety of perspectives of Hartford youth in regards to the issues of health disparities.

The exhibit contains art work created from the Youth Health Service Corps of Northwestern Area Health Education Center (AHEC) and it provides case examples of how PhotoVoice, a participatory action research methodology, has been used to explore and document important issues in youth's lives.

As part of a broader project to explore health inequities, The City of Hartford Health and Human Services Department has received funds from the CT Association of Directors of Health (CADH) to be part of an initiative that will address how social determinants of health impact our community's overall health. Those social determinants include, but are not limited to economic security, employment opportunity, school readiness, civic involvement/political access, adequate/affordable and safe housing, and transportation.

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