ABOUT MANISTIQUE

Manistique is a small rural town in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula, on the Northern shores of Lake Michigan. Legions of tourists visit Manistique each year for recreational sites including Hiawatha National Forest.

2013 PRIZE WINNERS

Manistique, MI

POPULATION: 3,097

RURAL LANDSCAPE

LARGE (10%) NATIVE AMERICAN POPULATION

ABOUT THE PRIZE

The inaugural RWJF Roadmaps to Health Prize honors outstanding community partnerships which are helping people live healthier lives. The six communities are Santa Cruz County, California; New Orleans, Louisiana; Cambridge, Massachusetts; Manistique, Michigan; and Minneapolis, Minnesota. The communities will each receive a cash prize of $25,000. The Prize is rooted in the idea that every community is on a unique journey toward health and that communities’ stories of success are as diverse as their populations.

For more information about the prize, go to: www.rwjf.org.

HIGHLIGHTS

FARMER’S MARKET

The community is hosting a Farmer’s Market which serves many low-income families and also benefits local farmers.

COMPLETE STREETS

Manistique has a new-paved transportation plan to get everyone in the community out walking and biking safely.

COORDINATED SCHOOL HEALTH PLAN

Through the year, Manistique schools provide kids with healthy breakfasts and quality physical education.

PARTNERSHIP FOR EQUITY

Partnering with the South Title Strategic Alliance for Health Project, this community is focusing on improving the health of the entire population by increasing the opportunity for healthy choices.