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Two Additional Target Stores Join the WIC Program

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Health Department today announced that two additional Target stores have joined the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Supplemental Food and Nutrition Program.

Target stores located at the Waterfront in Homestead, 360 East Waterfront Drive, and in Monroeville, 4004 Monroeville Boulevard, are now full-service grocery stores and accept WIC food vouchers. Two other Target stores in East Liberty and South Hills Village previously joined the WIC program.

There are more than 100 WIC-authorized grocery stores in the County. Locations and directions to the stores can be found on the Health Department's web site at www.achd.net/wic.

WIC is a federally funded program for pregnant women, postpartum and breastfeeding mothers and children under the age of five. Eligibility is based on income and nutritional risk.

The income limits are an annual gross income of \$21,590 for a family of one; \$29,101 for 2; \$36,612 for 3; \$44,123 for 4; \$51,634 for 5; \$59,145 for 6; \$66,656 for 7; and \$74,167 for 8. Add \$7,511 for each additional member beyond 8. Unborn children are counted when the woman is pregnant.

WIC families receive nutrition counseling, breastfeeding support and food vouchers redeemable at participating grocery stores for infant formula; infant cereal; milk; eggs; cheese; juice; cereal; peanut butter; whole grains, including bread, tortillas, oatmeal and rice; soy beverage; tofu; jarred baby foods; dry or canned beans; canned tuna/sardines/pink salmon; and fresh/frozen/canned fruits and vegetables.

Additional vouchers are available during the summer to purchase fresh Pennsylvania-grown produce at participating Farmers' Markets and Farm Stands.

For information about WIC and how to apply for benefits, please call the Allegheny County Health Department WIC Program at **412-350-5801**. If this number is a toll call or you live outside Allegheny County, please call the statewide toll-free number, **1-800-WIC-WINS**, or visit www.pawic.com.

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