Healthy, Equitable Communities
Orlando, FL

Neighborhood life expectancy:
69.9 years

Neighborhood life expectancy:
81.4 years

Less than 2 miles apart, but more than 10 years apart
County Health Outcomes, 2018

Measures:
- Premature death
- Poor or fair health
- Poor physical and mental health days
- Low birthweight
County Health Factors, 2018

Measures:
- Smoking
- Diet & exercise
- Access to care
- High-school graduation
- Income
- Social support
- Safety
- Housing
- Transit
RWJF Culture of Health Prize Winner
Eatonville, Florida
Eatonville wins top health prize — 'it brings joy to my heart,' mayor says

For Eatonville, competing against major metropolitan cities for the $25,000 Culture of Health Prize by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation wasn’t about the money or national acclaim.

The tiny town of about 2,300 residents is one of four winners, out of 10 finalists, recognized this year for its dedication to improving the overall health of its residents, the New Jersey-based foundation announced Tuesday.

“I’m really convinced in my spirit that more than thinking of winning, it was about just being health conscious,” Mayor Eddie Cole said. “If there’s something that we’re doing — even in a town that’s not large — that changes somebody’s eating habits, it brings joy to my heart.”

Nearly 200 applicants vied for the chance to be among this year’s batch of prize winners and the foundation narrowed the list to 10 communities in the spring.
A Historic Town Sets its Eyes on the Future

- Encouraging community leadership and civic participation
- Preparing a pipeline of talent for new jobs through high-quality education and training
- Fighting diabetes by addressing the root causes of physical inactivity and poor nutrition