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“Men’s Health” Ranked Plano 8th Nationally for Safe Food

In the February issue of “Men’s Health” magazine, Plano was ranked eighth of 101 cities for having the safest food supply. The article was part of an ongoing series called “Metrogrades,” where “Men’s Health” evaluates various aspects of metropolitan quality of life. The ranking was based on food-borne illness per capita extracted from the Community Health Status Indicator Project and the CDC’s Wonder database, which focused on three of the most common food-borne illnesses: E. coli, salmonella and shigella-related infections. Along with the data, they evaluated the states that had adopted the most recent Food and Drug Administration’s uniform Food Code.

Plano’s ranking placed it ahead of all Texas cities evaluated. The Plano Health Department recently won the Texas Environmental Health Association’s inaugural “Excellence in Food Safety Award” at their recent conference in Austin.

For more information on Plano’s Health Department visit www.plano.gov/health.

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