

Resources & Tools for Smokefree Multi-Unit Housing

Communities around the country are working on efforts to bring smokefree air to multi-unit housing. Below is a selection of resources and tools developed by local, state, and national organizations to support smokefree multi-unit housing. Topics include assisting residents, housing providers, advocates

If you are starting a smokefree multi-unit housing project in your city or state, you do not need to start from scratch. Visit our companion document [Suggested Resources to Develop for Your Smokefree Housing Project](#) for recommendations of where to begin and examples of tools from around the country.

Residents:

Renter-occupied housing:

- [The Smoker Next Door](#) (ANRF)
- [Going Smoke-Free: A Guide for Tenants](#) (MA)
- [How Disability Laws Can Help Tenants Suffering from Drifting Tobacco Smoke](#) (ChangeLab)
- [Sample Letter to Your Landlord](#) (NY)
- [Legal Options for Tenants Suffering from Drifting Tobacco Smoke](#) (ChangeLab)
- [Secondhand Smoke in Housing Infographic](#) (ANRF)
- [Secondhand Smoke in Your Apartment](#) (MN)

Owner-occupied housing:

- [A Smoke-Free Condominium Policy Is Legal & Protects Health While Saving Money](#) (SFELP)
- [How to Make a Condo Complex Smokefree](#) (ChangeLab)
- [Infiltration of Secondhand Smoke into Condominiums, Apartments and Other Multi-Unit Dwellings](#) (TCLC)
- [Legal Options for Condominium Owners Exposed To Secondhand Smoke](#) (TCLC)
- [Options for Condo Owners Suffering from Drifting Secondhand Smoke](#) (ChangeLab)

Housing Providers:

Landlord guides on why and how to go smokefree:

- [A Practical Guide to Going Smoke-free for Multi-Unit Housing](#) (Webinar) (WA)
- [Colorado Landlord Guide](#) (CO)
- [How Landlords Can Prohibit Smoking in Rental Housing](#) (ChangeLab)
- [Secondhand Smoke in Apartments & Condominiums: A Guide for Owners & Managers](#) (ANRF)
- [Smokefree Housing: The Right Decision](#) (WA)

Reasons to go smokefree:

- [Benefits of Smokefree Multiunit Housing](#) (ANRF)
- [Frequently Asked Questions from Housing Providers about Smokefree Buildings](#) (ANRF)
- [A Smokefree Apartment is Legal and Protects Health While Saving Money](#) (MI)
- [Cost Differences to Rehabilitate Units](#) (NY)
- [Landlords: Your Risks: Legal Liability](#) (MI)
- [Reasons to Explore Smokefree Housing](#) (National Council on Healthy Housing)
- [Restoring a Smoke-Damaged Apartment](#) (OR/WA)
- [Save Money, Save Your Building: Insurance Premiums](#) (MI)

- [Smoke-free Common Interest Communities: Results of a Survey of Minnesota Property Managers](#) (PHLC)
- [Smoke-free Common Interest Communities: Results of a Survey of Minnesota Owner-Occupants](#) (PHLC)
- [Smokefree housing video for property managers](#) (ME)
- [There Is No Constitutional Right to Smoke](#) (TCLC)
- [Thirdhand Smoke in Apartments & Condos: Recommendations for Landlords & Property Managers](#) (ANRF)
- [Up in Flames: The Dangers of Smoking in Apartment Units](#) (MN)

Steps and tools to go smokefree:

- [Outreach postcards to housing providers](#) (MN)
- [Sample Tenant Survey for Landlords Preparing to Adopt a New Policy for Smoking](#) (CA)
- [Tenant Survey](#) (MN)
- [Sample Time Table for Implementing Smokefree Policy](#) (NC)
- [Smokefree Policy Adoption Checklist](#) (ME)
- [Steps to Go Smokefree](#) (MN)
- [Steps to Implementing a Smoke Free Policy](#) (ND)
- [Model smokefree lease addendum](#) (ANRF)
- [Sample letter to residents](#) (MA)
- [Tenant educational flyer](#) (OR)
- [Tenant notification letter](#) (MN)
- [Smokefree Housing Registry](#) (ME)
- [Smokefree Housing Directory](#) (MN)
- [Sample signage for building](#) (NY)
- [Sample signage for property](#) (MN)

Enforcement:

- [Advice for Enforcing a Smokefree Housing Policy](#) (ANRF)
- [Making a New Smokefree Housing Law Work](#) (ChangeLab)
- [Enforcement Fact Sheet](#) (ME)
- [Handling Smoke-Free Policy Infractions](#) (ME)
- [Smokefree Housing Enforcement Toolkit](#) (OR)
- [Enforcement Steps with Tips from Successful Property Managers](#) (OR)

Affordable Housing:

- [Creating Smoke-Free Affordable Housing](#) (TCLC)
- [Creating Smokefree Policies for Affordable Housing in California](#) (ChangeLab)
- [ECO-WISE newsletter, September 2009 newsletter focusing on smokefree housing](#) (HUD)
- HUD Multi-Family Housing Section Memo: [Optional Smoke-Free Housing Policy Implementation](#)
- HUD Office of Public and Indian Housing Memo: [Non-Smoking Policies in Public Housing](#)
- HUD's [Change Is In the Air: Action Guide for Establishing Smoke-Free Public Housing and Multifamily Properties](#)
- HUD's [Toolkit for Owners/Management Agents of Federally Assisted Public and Multi-family Housing](#)
- HUD's: [Toolkit for Residents of Federally Assisted Public and Multi-family Housing](#)
- [Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program](#) (overview) (HUD)
- [Non-smoking lease addendum from Boston Housing Authority](#) (MA)
- [Secondhand Smoke Seepage into Multi-Unit Affordable Housing](#) (TCLC)
- [Smokefree Incentive for Low-Income and Affordable Housing Tax Credit Programs](#) (ALA OR)

- [Smoke-Free Affordable Housing: Picking on Poor People or a Case for Social Justice?](#) (NSRA Canada)
- [Subsidized Housing and Smoke-free Policies](#) (PHLC)
- [The Benefits of No-Smoking Policies in Affordable Housing](#) (OR)

For Health Groups and Advocates:

- [Comparison of Smoke-free Housing Policy Factors Chart](#) (PHLC)
- [Getting Started on Smokefree Multi-unit Housing](#) (ANRF)
- [First Steps Towards Making Affordable Housing Smoke-Free](#) (TCLC)
- [Regulating Smoking in Multi-Unit Housing - Tips and Tools](#) (TCLC)
- Smokefree housing [tv ads](#) and [print ads](#) from California Department of Public Health
- [Smokefree Policies in Multi-Unit Housing: Steps for Success](#) (American Lung Association)
- [Stages of Smoke-Free Multi-Housing Program Development](#) (webinar series) (MN)
- [Survey of housing providers in the community](#) (UT)

Smokefree housing laws

- [Housing Authorities/Commissions which have adopted smoke-free policies](#) (SFELP)
- [One-page Grid of CA Cities with Smoke-Free Housing Laws](#) (ALA CA)
- Smokefree ordinance: [Alameda, CA webpage about smokefree housing ordinance](#)
- Smokefree ordinance: [Santa Clara County, CA webpage about smokefree housing ordinance](#)

Legal Partners:

- [Healthy Housing Law](#)
- [Legal Resource Center for Tobacco Regulation, Litigation & Advocacy](#) (MD)
- [Smoke-Free Environments Project](#) at the Center of Social Gerontology (MI)
- [ChangeLab Solutions](#) (CA)
- [Tobacco Control Legal Consortium](#) at the Public Health Law Center (MN)

Healthy Housing:

- Asthma Regional Council of New England's [A Case for Smokefree Housing](#)
- [California Healthy Housing Program](#)
- [CDC Healthy Homes Program](#)
- [CDC Healthy Homes Manual: Smoke-Free Policies in Multiunit Housing](#) (CDC)
- Environmental Protection Agency: [Smokefree Homes](#)
- Environmental Protection Agency: [Promoting Smoke-free Homes for Head Start Families](#)
- [HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control](#)
- [HUD Asthma Trigger Information](#)
- [National Center for Healthy Housing](#) and NCHH's [Reasons to Explore Smokefree Housing](#)

Housing Industry Support:

- American Apartment Owners Association, January 2011, [blog entry on smokefree housing](#)
- California Apartment Association, [White Paper on Tobacco Smoking at Residential Properties](#)
- California Apartment Association, [Apartment Owners Realize Benefits from Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing Trend](#)
- Daily Journal of Commerce, [December 2008 article on Guardian Management smokefree policy](#)
- Multifamily Executive, [May 2008 article on smokefree housing](#)
- National Apartment Association, UNITS Magazine, [April 2011 article on smokefree housing](#)
- National Apartment Association, UNITS Magazine, [December 2007 articles on smokefree housing](#)
- National Multi-Housing Council, [Memorandum on Adopting Smokefree Policies](#)

- Tax Credit Housing Management Insider newsletter, December 2010, [How to Implement a Smoke-Free Policy](#)
- LIHTC Monthly Report, November 2007, [California Tax Credit Agency Supports No-Smoking Rules in Affordable Housing](#)

National smokefree housing partners:

- [American Lung Association's Smokefree Housing Initiative](#)
- [Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights](#)
- [CDC Healthy Homes Programs](#)
- [ChangeLab Solutions](#) (CA)
- [HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control](#)
- [National Center for Healthy Housing](#)
- [Smoke-Free Environments Project](#) at the Center of Social Gerontology
- [Tobacco Control Legal Consortium](#) at the Public Health Law Center

See below to find a selection of smokefree housing projects. Please let us know if we're missing a smokefree housing project in your area by [contacting us](#).

Alaska:	http://www.alaskatca.org/workgroups/alaska-smokefree-housing-partnership
California:	http://www.smokefreeapartments.org/ http://www.center4tobaccopolicy.org/localpolicies-smokefreehousing http://www.changelabsolutions.org/landing-page/secondhand-smoke
Colorado:	http://www.mysmokefreehousing.org/ Denver: http://www.denversmokefreeliving.org/
Florida:	http://www.tobaccofreeflorida.com/smokefreehousing/
Hawaii:	http://hawaiiismokefreehomes.org/
Illinois:	Chicago: http://www.lungchicago.org/smoke-free-housing/
Indiana:	http://insmokefreehousing.com/
Iowa:	https://smokefreehomes.iowa.gov/
Maine:	http://www.smokefreeforme.org/
Maryland:	http://www.mdsmokefreeapartments.org/
Massachusetts:	Boston: http://makesmokinghistory.org/smoke-free-environments/smoke-free-housing/ http://www.bphc.org/whatwedo/tobacco-free-living/smoke-free-homes/Pages/Smoke-Free-Homes.aspx
Michigan:	http://www.mismokefreeapartment.org
Minnesota:	www.mnsmokefreehousing.org
Montana:	http://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/mtupp/SFH.aspx
Nebraska:	http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/smokefree_housing.aspx
Nevada:	Clark Co: http://www.getthehealthyclarkcounty.org/live-tobacco-free/sfree-apt-owners.php
New Hampshire:	http://www.breathenh.org/page.aspx?pid=644
New Jersey:	http://www.njgasp.org/multi-unit-housing/ https://www.tobaccofreeenj.com/smoke-free-housing
New York:	Erie-Niagara: http://www.tobaccofreeyny.com/category/apartments/ New York City: http://www.nycsmokefree.org/housing
North Carolina:	http://www.smokefreehousingnc.com/
North Dakota:	http://www.breathend.com/TobaccosHarm/smokefreehousing/
Ohio:	Columbus: http://www.odh.ohio.gov/sfmuh http://publichealth.columbus.gov/smoke-free-housing.aspx
Oregon:	http://www.smokefreehousinginfo.com/ http://www.smokefreeoregon.com/smokefree-places/housing
Rhode Island:	http://www.livesmokefree.ri.gov/housing/index.html

South Carolina:	http://www.smokefreelowcountry.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=70%3A%20smoke-free-housing&Itemid=14
Texas:	http://www.s-fhc.com/ Austin: http://www.livetobaccofreeaustin.org/housing.php
Utah:	http://www.tobaccofreeutah.org/landlord_tenant.html
Vermont:	http://www.smokefreehousingvt.org/
Washington:	http://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/HealthyHome/SmokefreeHousing
Wisconsin:	http://www.wismokefreehousing.com/

For links to these materials and additional resources, visit our [Homes page](#). This document is available at <https://no-smoke.org/resources-tools-smokefree-multi-unit-housing/>

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