Suggested Resources to Develop for Your Smokefree Housing Project

Are you starting a smokefree multi-unit housing project in your city or state? Six types of materials listed below are key suggested resources to develop for educating housing providers and residents about the benefits of smokefree housing and how to make buildings smokefree. You may not need to create your own resources if state or regional partners have already developed materials. And if you do want to create resources, there's no need to start from scratch. Below are just some of the many great examples of tools from around the country to encourage smokefree housing.



sign from www.smokefreeforme.org

Top Six Suggested Resources:

- o Housing Provider fact sheet or brochure about smokefree housing benefits and ability to adopt policy.
 - o https://no-smoke.org/benefits-of-smokefree-buildings-fact-sheet/ (ANR Foundation)
 - o http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Documents/SFH_Brochure.pdf (NE)
 - o www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/340-209-SmokefreeHousingInfographic.pdf (WA)
 - o <u>www.smokefreehousinginfo.com/pdfs-docs/BENEFITSofNo-SmokingPolicies.pdf</u> (OR)

Sample resident survey

- o <u>www.mnsmokefreehousing.org/documents/Tenant Survey for Owners.pdf</u> (MN)
- o <u>www.smokefreehousinginfo.com/pdfs-docs/TenantSurveyBrief.doc</u> (OR)
- o Housing Provider "Steps for Adopting Smokefree Policy"
 - o www.livesmokefree.ri.gov/pdf/Landlords_Smoke-free_Policy_Adoption_Checklist.pdf(RI)
- Housing Provider ad or outreach tool like postcard
 - www.mnsmokefreehousing.org/documents/Sample Postcard Series.pdf (MN)
 - o www.smokefreehousingny.org/wp-content/uploads/SFH_Postcards_8_2011.pdf (NY)
- Resident fact sheet about benefits of smokefree housing.
 - no-smoke.org/wp-content/uploads/pdf/Secondhand-Smoke-in-Housing-Infographic-2018.pdf (ANR Foundation)
 - www.smokefreeoregon.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/5Reasons.pdf (OR)
 - o www.breathend.com/uploads/1195/FactsaboutAsthmaandTobaccoSmoke.pdf (ND)
 - o <u>www.nycsmokefree.org/sites/default/files/wysiwyg/docs/Citywide/tenants_smoke-free_housing_factsheet_final_apr2_2013.pdf</u> (NYC)

o Resident ad

- https://tobaccofreeca.com/resources/ (CA)
- http://smokefreeoregon.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/Laundry Ad1.jpg (OR)



The above materials can be stand-alone resources, or they can be **combined into a Housing Provider Toolkit** with additional materials on the next page. Additionally, some communities and states have chosen to compile the information into a more formal **Housing Provider Guidebook**.

Housing Provider Toolkit:

- Fire safety fact sheet
 - www.mnsmokefreehousing.org/documents/Fire_fact_sheet.pdf (MN)

- o Sample resident letters and flyers about making a smokefree policy change.
 - o http://makesmokinghistory.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/letter-from-LL to-residents.pdf (MA)
 - o <u>www.livesmokefree.ri.gov/docs/Landlords_Resident_letter.doc</u> (RI)
 - o https://no-smoke.org/tips-for-housing-providers/ (ANR Foundation)

Sample lease language

- o no-smoke.org/model-smokefree-lease-addendum/ (ANR Foundation)
- o <u>www.mnsmokefreehousing.org/landlords/links.html</u> (MN: multiple languages)
- Offer signs for buildings (and other promotional ideas, i.e. banner, lawn sign, website listing)
 - o www.mnsmokefreehousing.org/landlords/links.html#Building (MN)
 - www.albanyhousing.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/AHA-Smoke-Free-3.pdf (NY)
 - www.tobaccofreeutah.org/muh-signs.html (UT)

o Enforcement advice

- o https://no-smoke.org/enforcement-tips-building-managers-maintenance-staff/ (ANR Foundation)
- o https://no-smoke.org/advice-enforcing-smokefree-housing-policy/ (ANR Foundation)
- o http://smokefreeforme.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/BEC_SFH_Enforcement-Recommendations-Guidelines.pdf (ME)
- o www.smokefreehousinginfo.com/pdfs-docs/EnforcementToolkit.pdf (OR)

Housing Provider Guidebook

- http://mysmokefreehousing.org/pdf/COSmokeFreeHousingGuide.pdf (CO)
- http://www.mnsmokefreehousing.org/documents/Landlordbooklet.pdf (MN)
- o <u>www.livetobaccofreeaustin.org/docs/Smoke%20Free%20Housing%20Guide.pdf</u> (TX)
- http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/smoking/tobacco-vapor/smoke-freeenvironments/housing/~/media/depts/health/tobacco-vapor/documents/smoke-free-housing-guidethe-right-decision.ashx (WA)



It's very helpful to **collect quotes from landlords**, Housing Authority staff, and other housing providers about the benefits of having a smokefree building to include in outreach materials.

Suggestions about how to use resident survey data:

- Press release highlighting residents' desire for smokefree housing and the availability of resources about how to implement a smokefree building policy.
- Promote data at media event, public rally, or health fair.
- Add data to housing provider and resident fact sheets, public education ads.
- Send postcards highlighting data to housing providers to encourage them to go smokefree, visit your website, call to get a Housing Provider Toolkit, and/or promote a housing provider education event.
- Use data as an opportunity to contact housing providers and housing industry groups, offer to give
 presentations about benefits of smokefree buildings, or to host an educational booth at conferences.
- Pitch articles to local/state/regional housing industry publications, i.e. Apartment Association or Housing Authority newsletters/blogs/magazines.

For additional materials, visit the ANR Foundation's Homes page at https://no-smoke.org/at-risk-places/homes/.