

# **EVERYONE DESERVES TO HAVE A HEALTHY, SMOKEFREE HOME!**

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

People living in apartments are more likely to be exposed to secondhand smoke.1

» Smoke can enter your home through vents, electrical outlets, windows, and even tiny cracks in walls.







**65%** 

Up to 65% of the air in an apartment can come from other units in the building.<sup>2</sup>



### **ANY AMOUNT OF** SECONDHAND SMOKE **CAN BE HARMFUL**

» 41,000 nonsmokers die from secondhand smoke each year in the U.S.3



It is especially dangerous for children and can cause permanent damage to growing lungs.4





## YOUR LUNGS CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE

- » Marijuana secondhand smoke is harmful just like cigarette smoke.5 It has many of the same toxic chemicals that cause cancer and other diseases.
- » Vaping produces tiny droplets of harmful chemicals, including lead. It's NOT just harmless water vapor!6



# TO FULLY PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM SECONDHAND SMOKE, YOUR ENTIRE APARTMENT COMPLEX NEEDS TO BE SMOKEFREE

### This includes:

- » Inside units
- » On patios and balconies
- » Outdoor common areas such as pools, parking lots, stairways, and courtyards.







## Free help to quit tobacco is available from the Kick It California.

Visit kickitca.org

Call 1-800-300-8086

Text "Quit Smoking" or "Quit Vaping" to 66819

Download the free **No Butts** or **No Vape** mobile apps

### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

- » Apartment owners have the legal authority to make their property entirely smokefree. Contact your local health department for resources to offer managers and landlords about the benefits of a smokefree property.
- » Share information with neighbors about the harms of all forms of secondhand smoke. Try posting information on bulletin boards or in laundry rooms.
- » Reach out to city officials about local laws that would require apartments and other multi-unit housing to be smokefree.
- » Check the strength of your city's smokefree policies and take action at www.secondhanddangers.org

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