

Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency

# **SMOKEFREE MULTI-UNIT HOUSING UPDATE**

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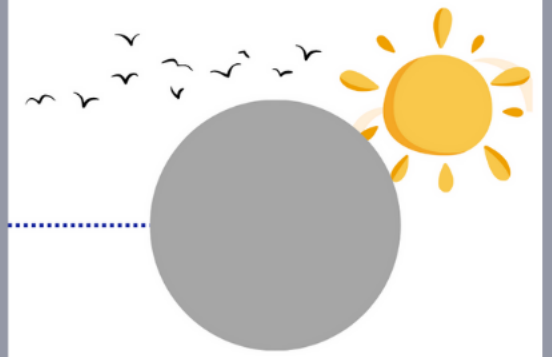
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# Outreach

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HOA Board granted permission to survey residents



**WE WANT TO  
HEAR FROM YOU!**

Please take this quick survey to give us feedback about smoke-free housing.



Questions about Smoke-free Multi-Unit Housing?  
Contact Yolo County Tobacco Prevention Program  
at [tobaccoprevention@yolocounty.org](mailto:tobaccoprevention@yolocounty.org)

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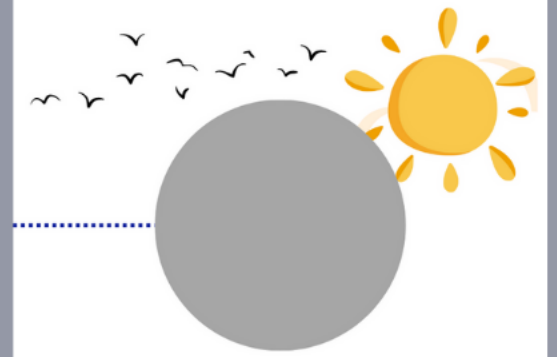
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## Placed door hanger surveys:

- 53 El Macero
  - 16 at The Villas
  - 37 at The Oaks
- 40 Esparto

## Responses:

- 13 El Macero
  - 10 Villas at El Macero
  - 3 Oaks at El Macero
- 1 Esparto Duplex



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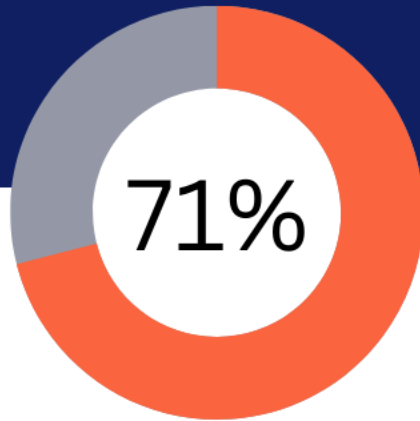
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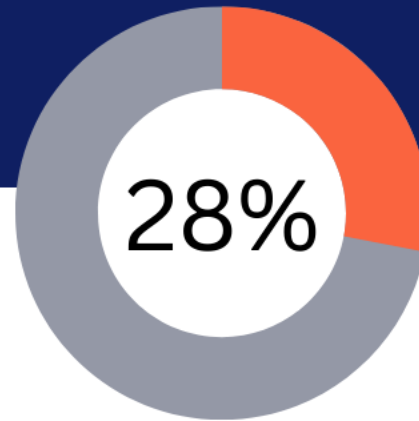
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# Survey Results

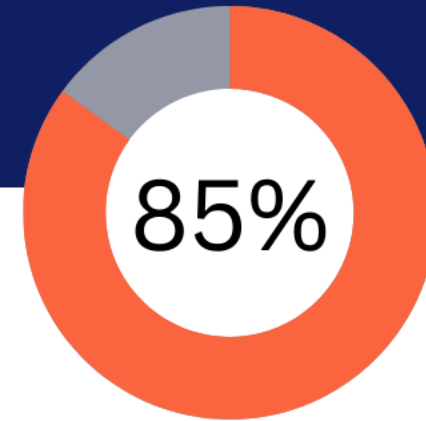
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**Support a policy  
banning smoking  
inside multi-unit  
housing**



**Report having smoke  
from cigarettes or  
vapes drifting into  
their home**



**State that there are  
no current smoking  
restrictions on  
property**

# Comments from Respondents

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My condo has adjoining walls and adjoining patios. If the windows are open, smoke can easily drift from one condo to the next. People should have the right to live like they choose in their home, **but not to the detriment of neighbors** (whether it be smoke, or head-banging music).

-Villas Resident

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I responded **yes** because I can see that it could be an issue.

-Villas Resident

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The Oaks are not typical “condos”, as we own the land as well as the building. We do have common walls and patios are close. **I would absolutely support a ban in common areas and on patios**, if that can be done.

-Oaks Resident

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Thank you for asking. This is a good idea. Although I don't like to control what people do in their homes, **I really think that the possibility of smoke drifting to others' areas is very real. I've heard complaints.** Thanks again!

-Villas Resident

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# Smokefree MUH and Yolo County's Strategic Plan

Thriving Residents	
Topic	Outcome
Health Equity	Reduce disparities in health outcomes through upstream prevention by addressing root cause social determinants of health (education, income, neighborhood, and housing).
Children	Reduce economic and educational disparities while building resiliency for vulnerable children, youth, and their families.



# Smoke Free Multi-Unit Residences

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**“Multi-unit Residence” means a property containing two or more units, including, but not limited to, apartment buildings, condominiums, duplex, and triplex.**

*PPW definition of Dwelling, Two-family or Duplex and Dwelling, Multiple-Family - Title 8, Chapter 2, Article 5, Section 8-2.507*

Capay - 1

Clarksburg - 5

El Macero - 51

Esparto - 35

Knight's Landing - 8

Rumsey - 1

Winters - 1

Woodland - 2

Yolo - 11

Zamora - 1

**TOTAL = 116 Properties\***

*\*includes apartment buildings, condos, and multi-unit housing properties*

# Policy Options

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## Least Restrictive

10 Apartment Complexes

- 5 HUD properties
- 5 Privately owned
  - 2 have voluntary no smoking policy

## Most Restrictive\*

116 Properties

- 78 Dwelling, multi-family
  - apartments
  - condos
- 38 Dwelling, two-family or duplex

*\*45 municipalities require all MUH properties with 2 or more units to be 100% smokefree indoors—both rental units and condominium/owner-occupied units.*

# Enforcement

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## Complaint driven

individuals exposed to secondhand smoke as a result of a violation of this policy may initiate enforcement by registering a complaint with the County of Yolo

Administrative penalties shall not be imposed unless the individual in violation has received **at least three written warnings** given resources to cessation services.

- A \$100 fine upon finding the first violation within any three-year period.
- A \$200 fine upon finding a second violation within any three-year period.
- A \$500 fine upon finding a third or subsequent violation within any three-year period.

# Thank you!

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Feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

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