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## Smokefree Housing

# List of Communities that Restrict Smoking in Outdoor Common Areas of Multi-Unit Housing November 2011

Many communities in California have begun to address the issue of drifting secondhand smoke in multi-unit housing by restricting smoking in outdoor common areas. Outdoor common areas include swimming pools, outdoor eating areas, play areas, courtyards and other areas outside of multi-unit housing buildings where residents of different units have access. While such a policy does not address the main problem of drifting secondhand smoke from neighboring units, it does provide some benefits for multi-unit housing residents. Prohibiting smoking in outdoor common areas provides protection from secondhand smoke in areas which are used frequently by families with children such as play areas and swimming pools. In addition, these policies protect residents in units from the secondhand smoke that would typically drift inside from common areas.

Below is a comprehensive list of the forty-six cities and counties in California that have passed an ordinance prohibiting smoking in part of or all of outdoor common areas of multi-unit housing. Not all of these ordinances are the same; some only restrict smoking in specific outdoor common areas and some allow for designated smoking areas to be created. For specific questions about a city or county policy, please contact the Center. Additional smokefree housing materials produced by the Center are available at [www.Center4TobaccoPolicy.org/localpolicies-smokefreehousing](http://www.Center4TobaccoPolicy.org/localpolicies-smokefreehousing).

Alameda (November 2011)  
Baldwin Park (November 2011)  
Compton (October 2011)  
Sonoma County (September 2011)  
Tiburon (July 2011)  
Pasadena (July 2011)  
Fairfax (May 2011)  
Larkspur (April 2011)  
Carpinteria (February 2011)  
Union City (November 2010)  
Santa Clara County (November 2010)  
Burbank (October 2010)  
Menlo Park (September 2010)  
Sebastopol (August 2010)  
South Pasadena (August 2010)  
Eureka (July 2010)

Pleasant Hill (April 2010)  
Pinole (April 2010)  
San Luis Obispo (April 2010)  
Camarillo (April 2010)  
Palm Desert (December 2009)  
Santa Cruz (September 2009)  
Richmond (June 2009)  
Martinez (April 2009)  
Rohnert Park (April 2009)  
Santa Monica (January 2009)  
Dublin (December 2008)  
Glendale (October 2008)  
Loma Linda (June 2008)  
Albany (May 2008)  
Novato (April 2008)

Oakland (December 2007)  
Belmont (October 2007)  
El Cajon (August 2007)  
Blue Lake (June 2007)  
Temecula (May 2007)  
Marin County (November 2006)  
Contra Costa County (October 2006)  
Emeryville (September 2006)  
Mammoth Lakes (June 2006)  
San Mateo County (May 2006)  
Calabasas (February 2006)  
Laguna Woods (August 2004)  
Arcata (1997)  
Healdsburg (1994)  
Davis (1993)