Residents’ Views on Smokefree Housing

Your apartment is your home.

- Smokefree policies protect residents from the dangers of secondhand smoke. Secondhand smoke migrates from other units through doorways, cracks in walls, electrical lines, plumbing, and ventilation systems.
- This survey asked residents in multi-unit buildings their views on smokefree housing. This survey was conducted with the help of the Metropolitan Tenants Organization from May to June 2015. There were 185 responses.

**Most residents do not smoke tobacco products (including cigarettes, cigars, and pipes)**

- 29% Residents who do not smoke
- 71% Residents who smokes

**Almost half of residents have smelled smoke from cigarettes or tobacco products inside their units**

- 54% Residents who smelled smoke inside their units
- 46% Residents who did not smell smoke inside their units

**Most residents think that secondhand smoke is very harmful to their (and their neighbor’s) health**

- 69% Think secondhand smoke is VERY harmful to their health
- 14% Think secondhand smoke is SOMEWHAT harmful to their health
- 17% Think secondhand smoke is NOT harmful to their health

**In buildings without a smokefree policy, most residents would support going smokefree**

- 59% Residents who would support going smokefree
- 41% Residents who would not support going smokefree

**Half of residents think that it would not be difficult for them to have their building become smokefree**

- 50% Think it would NOT be difficult for building to become smokefree
- 14% Think it would be SOMEWHAT difficult for building to become smokefree
- 36% Think it would be VERY difficult for building to become smokefree

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