

Modoc County Multi-Unit Housing and Outdoor Secondhand Smoke Public Opinion Survey



A public opinion poll was administered at multi-unit housing complexes and clinics in December 2024 in Alturas, Modoc County. The survey aimed to understand resident exposure to secondhand smoke in outdoor areas as well as multi-unit housing complexes, beliefs on the harms of secondhand smoke, presence of tobacco litter, and support for tobacco free policy in the community of Alturas.



**35 SURVEYS
COLLECTED**



19 RESPONDENTS
living in a multi-unit
housing complex

Multi-Unit Housing

Overall, drifting secondhand smoke and tobacco litter was experienced by a significant portion of the respondents:



Three-quarters of respondents agreed that drifting secondhand smoke was a problem in the common areas of their complex.



Over one-third of respondents also indicated that drifting secondhand smoke was a problem inside their homes.



Half of respondents expressed that tobacco litter was a problem in the common areas.

Outdoor Secondhand Smoke



Overall, secondhand smoke and tobacco litter was noticed in parking lots and sidewalks of Alturas. The majority of the respondents supported policies to limit tobacco use in outdoor areas of the city. **Sidewalks and parking lots were areas where secondhand smoke and tobacco product waste was most prevalent.**

In the past year 66% of the respondents indicated they were exposed to outdoor secondhand smoke in Alturas.



Respondents were interested in learning more about:

- The risks of secondhand smoke exposure to young children, elders, and pets,
- Vaping prevalence in their community,
- Proper disposal of commercial tobacco product waste.

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