

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 2025 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. A total of 52 surveys were completed.

Survey Highlights



87% of Modoc residents were supportive of smoke free outdoors policy.



85% of Modoc residents were supportive of smoke free multi-unit housing complexes.



89% of Modoc residents consider it important to live in a housing complex that protects residents from secondhand smoke



90% of Modoc residents consider it important to live in a city that protects residents from secondhand smoke:

Modoc Resident Quotes

- “ The main reason is protecting children that grow up exposed to secondhand smoke like I was.
- “ Less chance of asthma attacks.
- “ I have small children and they don't have the option to go away from the area where someone may be smoking. Like if it is happening in the play area, they should be allowed to play without having to worry about someone smoking there.
- “ I don't want my kids to be exposed to drugs.
- “ I feel it is everyone's right to free and clean water and air and that should not be infringed upon by someone using their rights.

The top three areas of information were most important when considering support for a smoke-free policy:



47% Information on the risks of secondhand smoke exposure to young children, elders and pets



37% Information on proper disposal of commercial tobacco product waste



33% Information on smoking prevalence in my community

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