

SMOKE-FREE OUTDOOR DINING



WHAT



- California's Smoke-Free Workplace laws protect employees and customers from secondhand smoke while dining indoors, but not necessarily while dining in outdoors areas and patios.
- To date, 117 jurisdictions in California have adopted 100% smoke-free outdoor dining areas.
- The Mariposa County Smoking Ordinance currently does not provide restrictions to protect individuals dining in outdoor areas.

WHY



- Secondhand tobacco smoke causes serious illnesses, including lung cancer and heart disease in non-smokers.
- Employees and customers may experience high concentrations of tobacco smoke particles, based on wind conditions and the number of smokers present.
- A 2012 study found young adults working in lower wage occupations, such as outdoor servers at restaurants, report greater rates of secondhand smoke exposure.

BENEFITS



- 75% of Californians support smoke-free outdoor dining.
- Outdoor dining smoking restrictions protect patrons and employees from toxic secondhand tobacco smoke.
- Smoke-free policies often have a positive economic impact on businesses.
- Smoke-free outdoor dining areas are free of cigarette and other tobacco litter.

RESOURCES



The Tobacco Education Program is ready to assist community members, including local restaurant owners and decision makers. Call 966-3689 for information on the following smoke-free outdoor dining resources:

- Technical Assistance - policy language and implementation
- "Fresh Air Dining" Signage , Table Tents, Coasters
- Fact sheets on secondhand smoke
- Cessation resources for employees



Mariposa County Tobacco Education Program

Mariposa County Health Department
www.mariposacounty.org/TobaccoEducation



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Smoke Free Outdoor Dining Fact Sheet References

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