SECONDHAND SMOKE

- Secondhand smoke is smoke breathed in from tobacco being smoked by another person.
- Most exposure to secondhand smoke occurs in homes and workplaces but it can also happen in public places such as parks, farmers markets, and fairgrounds.

 Children under 18 months, the elderly, and people with disabilities are at most risk from secondhand smoke.



SECONDHAND SMOKE KILLS

41,000

NON-SMOKERS A YEAR





CHILDREN

- Ear infections
- Respiratory tract infections
- More frequent and severe asthma attacks
- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)
- Low birth weight

ADULTS

- Nasal irritation
- Stroke
- Lung cancer
- Heart disease









CONTACT:

- If you smoke, don't do it in your home or car. Find a designated smoking area.
- Do not allow anyone to smoke in your home or car
- Ask if your child's day care center or school are tobacco-free
- For renters, talk to your property manager about adopting smoke-free policies
- If you smoke, learn about the effects of smoking and how to quit
- Call the California Smokers' Helpline 1-800-NO-BUTTS or go to www.nobutts.org

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