

SMOKE-FREE GOVERNMENT GROUNDS BOARD OF HEALTH RULE



Mecklenburg County Board of Health Rule effective March 18, 2015

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No smoking on any government property in Mecklenburg County, City of Charlotte and the towns of Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville.

INCLUDES inside of buildings, vehicles or outside on property.

SMOKE-FREE means no lit products such as cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos or pipes.

BENEFITS OF SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENTS:



PROTECTS
people from exposure to secondhand smoke



SUPPORTS & ENCOURAGES
people who want to quit smoking

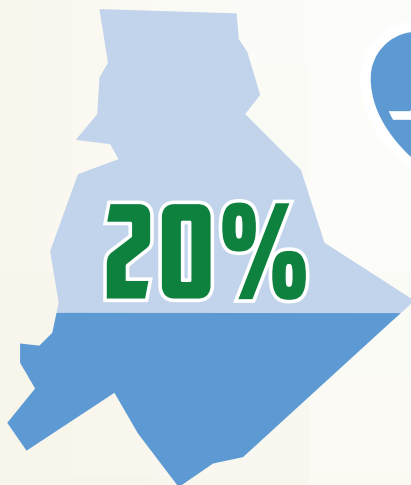


MODELS
smoke-free norm for kids



LOWERS
tobacco rates

SMOKING FACTS



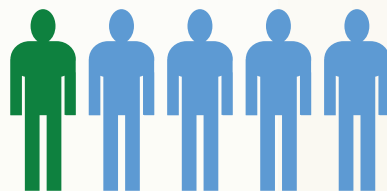
20% of Mecklenburg County adults **still smoke**

Source: 2012 NC Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System



Even brief exposure to secondhand smoke can be dangerous to health

Source: *The Health Consequences of Smoking - 50 Years of Progress, A Report of the Surgeon General, January 2014.*



1 in 5 deaths in Mecklenburg County is caused by smoking

Source: 2013 Community Health Assessment, Mecklenburg County Health Department

**WANT TO
QUIT?**

Call QuitlineNC at
1-800-Quit-Now (1-800-784-8669)
www.quitlinenc.com

