

Smoke-Free Environments Law Project

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Housing Authorities/Commissions which have adopted smoke-free policies*

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The Smoke-Free Environments Law Project maintains this up-dated listing of all the public housing authorities/commissions in the U.S. that we know of which have adopted smoke-free policies for one or more of their apartment buildings. The listing is done largely in the order in which the policies have been adopted. As of April, 2009, at least 110 local housing authorities had adopted smoke-free policies for some or all of their apartment buildings, with about 92 being adopted since the beginning of January, 2005; an average of about 1.8 per month. That constitutes an increase in the number of housing authorities with smoke-free policies of almost 650% in 52 months. The 17 states with such policies include Michigan (28), Minnesota (19), Maine (18), Colorado (11), California (7), Nebraska (6), Washington (4), New Hampshire (3), Oregon (3), New Jersey (2), Wisconsin (2), Idaho (2), Florida, Montana, Indiana, Kentucky, and Alaska. To access the listing, in pdf format, go to <http://www.tcs.org/sfelp/SFHousingAuthorities.pdf>

- 1) Kearney, NE 1996
- 2) Fort Pierce, FL 1996
- 3) Marion County, OR before 2000 all buildings; as of 2009, all grounds will also be smoke-free
- 4) Seattle, WA 2001
- 5) Minden, NE not certain of date
- 6) Gibbon, NE not certain of date
- 7) Melrose, MN February, 2002
- 8) Fergus Falls, MN April 10, 2002
- 9) Madera, CA date?
- 10) Cloquet, MN 2003
- 11) Carlton, MN 2003
- 12) Sauk Center, MN April 22, 2003
- 13) DePere, WI Nov. 13, 2003
- 14) North Mankato, MN March 29, 2004
- 15) Auburn, ME September, 2004
- 16) Ocean City, NJ 2004 (not sure of month)
- 17) Lebanon, NH 2004 (not sure of month)
- 18) Austin, MN January 1, 2005 2 buildings w/ 159 units
- 19) Cadillac, MI July 20, 2005 Kirtland Terrace 84 units; elderly & disabled
- 20) Baraboo, WI August 2, 2005 2 buildings; about 80 units; elderly & disabled
- 21) Sanford, ME September, 2005
- 22) Benson, MN October 1, 2005
- 23) Coos-Curry Housing Authority, OR Oct. 27, 2005

- 24) Santa Barbara, CA Nov. 16, 2005 36 units elderly
- 25) Yakima, WA sometime in 2005 for elderly units
- 26) Cambridge, MN Dec., 2005 45 units
- 27) Plymouth, MI Jan. 18, 2006 Tonquish Creek Manor 108 units
- 28) Minneapolis, MN March 1, 2006 102 units in 1 building for elderly
- 29) Delano, MN May, 2006 1 building 16 units elderly, 1 building 30 units family
- 30) Bar Harbor, ME May, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 31) East Jordan, MI June 13, 2006 Lakeview Manor 20 units
- 32) Elk Rapids, MI June 20, 2006 20 units
- 33) Southwest Harbor, ME June, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 34) Ellsworth, ME June, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 35) Mount Desert Island, ME June, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 36) Brewer, ME June, 2006; in January, 2009, all buildings were made smoke-free
- 37) Old Town, ME July, 2006
- 38) Melvindale MI July 10, 2006 199 units
- 39) Livonia, MI August 17, 2006 388+ units
- 40) Allen Park, MI September 5, 2006 60 units
- 41) Blair, NE September 13, 2006 3 buildings, 12 units
- 42) Fort Fairfield, ME September, 2006
- 43) Alma, MI October 31, 2006 2 buildings, 59 units
- 44) Rancho Mirage, CA December 7, 2006 4 complexes, 228 units
- 45) Sault Ste. Marie, MI December 13, 2006 3 buildings, 120 units
- 46) Traverse City, MI Dec. 19, 2006 2 buildings, 116 units elderly/disabled; 20 units family
- 47) Carver County, MN sometime in 2006 2 elderly, market-rate buildings, 65-units in Chanhassen & 68 units in Waconia
- 48) Windom, MN January 1, 2007 implemented for 1 building w/ 30 units elderly/disabled
- 49) Ishpeming, MI Jan. 11, 2007 1 building, 88 units elderly/disabled
- 50) Belding, MI Jan. 25, 2007 4 buildings/complexes 140 units - 30 family, 110 elderly/disabled
- 51) Waterville, ME March 1, 2007
- 52) Marysville, MI March 15, 2007 132 units elderly/disabled
- 53) Helena, MT March 27, 2007 366 units
- 54) Paw Paw, MI March, 2007 81 units elderly/disabled
- 55) Bessemer, MI April 16, 2007 30 units elderly/disabled
- 56) Bedford Township, MI April 16, 2007 97 units elderly/disabled
- 57) Marquette, MI April 24, 2007 a portion of 140 units elderly/disabled
- 58) Bangor, MI April, 2007 24 units elderly/disabled & 20 units family
- 59) Kokomo, IN May 21, 2007 560 units in 6 buildings, 2 duplexes and 45 scattered site houses
- 60) Eastpointe, MI May 23, 2007 164 units elderly/disabled
- 61) Bangor, ME May, 2007
- 62) South Haven, MI May 31, 2007 80 units elderly/disabled
- 63) Brunswick, ME June, 2007
- 64) Grand Rapids, MI June 26, 2007 about 9 developments w/ 900 units elderly/disabled/family
- 65) Ewart, MI July 24, 2007 53 units elderly/disabled
- 66) Nampa, Idaho August 8, 2007 142 units elderly/disabled/family
- 67) North Pacific Rim Housing Authority, AK September 7, 2007 All units in all housing in 7

communities.

- 68) Negaunee, MI September 11, 2007 80 units elderly/disabled/family
- 69) Mountain Lake, MN September 12, 2007 42 units
- 70) Woodbridge, NJ about September, 2007
- 71) Montgomery, MN October 1, 2007
- 72) Northwest Multi-County Housing Authority, MN October 1, 2007
- 73) Fremont, NE October, 2007
- 74) Middleville, MI November 18, 2007 50 units elderly/disabled
- 75) Escanaba, MI December 17, 2007 174 units elderly/disabled/family
- 76) King County, WA December 17, 2007 222 units
- 77) Little Falls, MN January 1, 2008
- 78) Lincoln, NE January 10, 2008 2 buildings, 211 units elderly
- 79) Sleepy Eye, MN March 1, 2008
- 80) Tremont, ME March, 2008
- 81) Point Pleasant Reservation, ME 2008 (new building will be smoke-free when opened)
- 82) Walla Walla, WA March 17, 2008 all buildings and units – about 300+ units
- 83) Oxnard, CA March 25, 2008 2 buildings, 150 units elderly
- 84) Claremont, NH not sure of date
- 85) Westbrook, ME March, 2008 Effective 1/09; no grandfathering
- 86) Alameda, CA April, 2008 1 building, 186 units elderly
- 87) Boulder (city), CO April, 2008 10 buildings
- 88) Danville, KY April, 2008 1 building, 5 units disabled
- 89) Estes Park, CO date unknown 1 building, 24 units elderly
- 90) Port Hueneme, CA April 2, 2008 60 units elderly/disabled, 30 units family
- 91) Boulder County, CO April 29, 2008 Implementation later in 2008 and 2009
- 92) Rogers City, MI May 15, 2008 1 building, 38 units elderly/disabled/family
- 93) Exeter, NH June 6, 2008 1 building, 85 units elderly/disabled
- 94) Kingsford MI July 16, 2008 2 buildings, 41-unit elderly/disabled, 2-unit family duplex
- 95) Bath, ME July, 2008 Effective for everyone on 1/1/09
- 96) South Portland, ME July, 2008 Effective 1/1/09; grandfathering until 7/1/09
- 97) Loveland, CO date unknown 1 building, 49 units elderly
- 98) Lewiston, ME September, 2008 Effective 11/1/08; grandfathering until 4/1/09
- 99) Dakota County, MN September 1, 2008 1 building, with another in 9/09
- 100) Plumas County, CA October, 2008
- 101) Algonac, MI October 28, 2008 Effective 1/1/09 for all residents; 50 elderly/disabled & 20 family townhouses
- 102) Fort Collins, CO October, 2008 27 units elderly now smoke-free; other elderly units by 11/09; all units by 7/10/10
- 103) Wellington, CO October, 2008 14 elderly units by 11/09; 28 family units by 7/10/10
- 104) Caldwell, ID January 1, 2009 234 units family/elderly/disabled
- 105) Grand County, CO 6 buildings, 64 units
- 106) Salida, CO 17 buildings, 50 units smoke-free by June, 2009
- 107) Lakewood, CO 2 buildings, 188 units smoke-free by end of 2009
- 108) Rifle, CO February, 2009 4 buildings, 28 units
- 109) Carbondale, CO March, 2009 64 units elderly
- 110) Portland, OR on August 1, 2009 37 properties with 1,993 units of public housing; possibly in August, 2010, an additional 3,760 units of other affordable housing

Also, maybe Henning, MN; Coachella, CA; Riverside County, CA (Indio and Mecca); Tacoma, WA.

* Note: many of the smoke-free policies grandfather current residents who are smokers for as long as they remain living in their apartment unit. Thus, many of these buildings are transitioning to being totally smoke-free. Others are already totally smoke-free.