

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, and with data which is as accurate as we can make it, but we can't vouch for its accuracy. As of April, 2011, at least 233 local housing authorities had adopted smoke-free policies for some or all of their apartment buildings, with about 217 being adopted since the beginning of January, 2005; an average of over 2.9 per month. That constitutes an increase in the number of housing authorities with smoke-free policies of almost 1,300% in 72 months. The 27 states with such policies, with the number of individual local housing authorities with smoke-free policies in parentheses, include Michigan (57), Minnesota (34), Nebraska (24), Maine (20), Colorado (16), Washington (14), Oregon (14), New Hampshire (10), New Jersey (9), California (9), Alaska (4), Idaho (3), Utah (3), Wisconsin (2), Arkansas (2), Florida, Montana, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Texas, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont, Illinois, New York and Kansas. To access the listing, in pdf format, go to <http://www.tcs.org/sfelp/SFHousingAuthorities.pdf>

- 1) Salem, OR Effective February, 1992. 1 building w/ 54 units for elderly. Their 7 more buildings will become totally smoke-free, phased in from Sept., 2009 thru Sept., 2011
- 2) Kearney, NE 1996 15 buildings w/ 90 units
- 3) Fort Pierce, FL 1996
- 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 not certain of date
- 10) Cloquet/Carlton, MN 2003 2 properties
- 11) Sauk Center, MN April 22, 2003
- 12) Bassett, NE September 1, 2003 5 buildings w/ 16 units
- 13) DePere, WI Nov. 13, 2003
- 14) North Mankato, MN March 29, 2004
- 15) Coleridge, NE Effective May 11, 2004. 6 buildings w/ 20 units

- 16) Auburn, ME September, 2004
- 17) Ocean City, NJ 2004 (not sure of month)
- 18) Lebanon, NH 2004 (not sure of month)

- 19) Austin, MN January 1, 2005 2 buildings w/ 159 units
- 20) Pierce County, WA not certain of date 1 building
- 21) Tacoma, WA not certain of date 1 elderly high-rise
- 22) Nebraska City, NE April 6, 2005 2 buildings w/67 units
- 23) Provo, UT June 1, 2005 203 units
- 24) Cadillac, MI July 20, 2005 Kirtland Terrace 84 units; elderly & disabled; March 15, 2010 Cornerstone Apartments w/ 50 units, 40 family & 10 elderly
- 25) Baraboo, WI August 2, 2005 2 buildings; about 80 units; elderly & disabled
- 26) Sanford, ME September, 2005
- 27) Benson, MN October 1, 2005
- 28) Santa Barbara, CA Nov. 16, 2005 36 units elderly
- 29) Yakima, WA sometime in 2005 for elderly units
- 30) Island County, WA 2005 all buildings, 166 units
- 31) Cambridge, MN Dec., 2005 45 units
- 32) Douglas County, NE 2005 103 buildings w/ about 200 units

- 33) Plymouth, MI Jan. 18, 2006 Tonquish Creek Manor 108 units
- 34) Minneapolis, MN March 1, 2006 102 units in 1 building for elderly
- 35) Delano, MN May, 2006 1 building 16 units elderly, 1 building 30 units family
- 36) Bar Harbor, ME May, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 37) East Jordan, MI June 13, 2006 Lakeview Manor 20 units
- 38) Elk Rapids, MI June 20, 2006 20 units
- 39) Southwest Harbor, ME June, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 40) Ellsworth, ME June, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 41) Mount Desert Island, ME June, 2006 (Mount Desert Island and Ellsworth Housing Authority)
- 42) Brewer, ME June, 2006; in January, 2009, all buildings were made smoke-free
- 43) Old Town, ME July, 2006
- 44) Melvindale MI July 10, 2006 199 units
- 45) Livonia, MI August 17, 2006 388+ units
- 46) Allen Park, MI September 5, 2006 60 units
- 47) Blair, NE September 13, 2006 3 buildings, 12 units
- 48) Fort Fairfield, ME September, 2006
- 49) Alma, MI October 31, 2006 2 buildings, 59 units
- 50) Rancho Mirage, CA December 7, 2006 4 complexes, 228 units
- 51) Sault Ste. Marie, MI December 13, 2006 3 buildings, 120 units
- 52) Traverse City, MI Dec. 19, 2006 2 buildings, 116 units elderly/disabled; 20 units family
- 53) Carver County, MN sometime in 2006 2 elderly, market-rate buildings, 65-units in Chanhassen & 68 units in Waconia

- 54) Windom, MN January 1, 2007 implemented for 1 building w/ 30 units elderly/disabled
- 55) Ishpeming, MI Jan. 11, 2007 1 building, 88 units elderly/disabled
- 56) Belding, MI Jan. 25, 2007 4 buildings/complexes 140 units - 30 family, 110 elderly/disabled

- 57) Waterville, ME March 1, 2007
- 58) Marysville, MI March 15, 2007 132 units elderly/disabled
- 59) Helena, MT March 27, 2007 366 units
- 60) Paw Paw, MI March, 2007 81 units elderly/disabled
- 61) Bessemer, MI April 16, 2007 30 units elderly/disabled. April 21, 2011 29 units elderly/disabled & 30 units family. 89 units total in 3 buildings
- 62) Bedford Township, MI April 16, 2007 97 units elderly/disabled
- 63) Marquette, MI April 24, 2007 a portion of 140 units elderly/disabled
- 64) Bangor, MI April, 2007 24 units elderly/disabled & 20 units family
- 65) Kokomo, IN May 21, 2007 560 units in 6 buildings, 2 duplexes and 45 scattered site houses
- 66) Eastpointe, MI May 23, 2007 164 units elderly/disabled
- 67) Bangor, ME May, 2007
- 68) South Haven, MI May 31, 2007 80 units elderly/disabled
- 69) Brunswick, ME June, 2007
- 70) Grand Rapids, MI June 26, 2007 about 9 developments w/ 900 units elderly/disabled/family
- 71) Ewart, MI July 24, 2007 53 units elderly/disabled
- 72) Nampa, ID August 8, 2007 142 units elderly/disabled/family
- 73) North Pacific Rim Housing Authority, AK September 7, 2007 83 units in all elderly/disabled/family housing in 8 communities.
- 74) Negaunee, MI September 11, 2007 80 units elderly/disabled/family
- 75) Mountain Lake, MN September 12, 2007 42 units
- 76) Woodbridge, NJ about September, 2007
- 77) Montgomery, MN October 1, 2007
- 78) Northwest Multi-County Housing Authority, MN October 1, 2007
- 79) Fremont, NE October, 2007
- 80) Middleville, MI November 18, 2007 50 units elderly/disabled
- 81) Escanaba, MI December 17, 2007 174 units elderly/disabled/family
- 82) King County, WA December 17, 2007 222 units
- 83) Frazee, MN 2007 8 units elderly
- 84) Pequot Lakes, MN 2007 4 buildings

- 85) Little Falls, MN January 1, 2008
- 86) Franklin County, WA January 1, 2008 280 units
- 87) Lincoln, NE January 10, 2008 2 buildings, 211 units elderly
- 88) Sleepy Eye, MN March 1, 2008
- 89) Tremont, ME March, 2008
- 90) Pleasant Point Passamaquoddy Reservation, ME adopted in 2008 (new building with 60 units, family)
- 91) Walla Walla, WA March 17, 2008 all buildings and units – about 300+ units
- 92) Oxnard, CA March 25, 2008 2 buildings, 150 units elderly
- 93) Claremont, NH not sure of date
- 94) Westbrook, ME March, 2008 Effective 1/09; no grandfathering
- 95) Alameda, CA April, 2008 3 buildings, 298 units elderly & family
- 96) Boulder (city), CO April, 2008 9 buildings
- 97) Danville, KY April, 2008 1 building, 5 units disabled
- 98) Estes Park, CO date unknown 1 building, 24 units elderly
- 99) Port Hueneme, CA April 2, 2008 60 units elderly/disabled, 30 units family
- 100) Boulder County, CO April 29, 2008 All 126 buildings SF by 12/09
- 101) Henderson, NE May 5, 2008 All 5 buildings w/ 20 units
- 102) Rogers City, MI May 15, 2008 1 building, 38 units elderly/disabled/family

- 103) Exeter, NH June 6, 2008 1 building, 85 units elderly/disabled
- 104) Portsmouth, NH June 11, 2008 Effective Jan. 1, 2009, w/ grandfathering until July 1, 2009. covering all 284 family/elderly/disabled units in 5 buildings, & 3 managed buildings w/ 150 units.
- 105) Kingsford MI July 16, 2008 2 buildings, 41-unit elderly/disabled, 2-unit family duplex
- 106) Bath, ME July, 2008 Effective for everyone on 1/1/09
- 107) South Portland, ME July, 2008 Effective 1/1/09; grandfathering until 7/1/09
- 108) Northville MI July, 2008 1 building w/ 100 units elderly/disabled
- 109) Loveland, CO date unknown 1 building, 49 units elderly
- 110) Petersburg Indian Association, AK September 1, 2008 12 units family
- 111) Breckenridge, MN September 1, 2008
- 112) Lewiston, ME September, 2008 Effective 11/1/08; grandfathering until 4/1/09
- 113) Dakota County, MN September 1, 2008 1 building, with another in 9/09
- 114) Plumas County, CA October, 2008
- 115) Algonac, MI October 28, 2008 Effective 1/1/09 for all residents; 50 elderly/disabled & 20 family townhouses
- 116) Fort Collins, CO October, 2008 27 units elderly now smoke-free; other elderly units by 11/09; all units by 7/1/10
- 117) Wellington, CO October, 2008 14 elderly units by 11/09; 28 family units by 7/10/10
- 118) Salem, NH Effective October, 2008
- 119) Marion County, OR November 1, 2008 28 units; 242 other units will go SF in early 2010
- 120) Perham, MN December 1, 2008
- 121) Boyne City, MI Effective 2008. 2 buildings w/ 30 elderly & 53 elderly/disabled
- 122) Aurora, NE 2008 2 buildings w/ 30 units
- 123) St. Paul, NE 2008 All 15 buildings w/ 82 units

- 124) Caldwell, ID January 1, 2009 234 units family/elderly/disabled
- 125) Long Prairie, MN January 1, 2009
- 126) Rochester, NH Effective January 1, 2009
- 127) Clatsop County, OR Effective January, 2009. All 15 buildings w/ 104 units
- 128) Grand County, CO 6 buildings, 64 units
- 129) Winona, MN April 1, 2009 2 buildings w/ 39 senior/disabled units
- 130) Salida, CO 17 buildings, 50 units smoke-free by June, 2009
- 131) Aleutian Housing Authority, AK June 1, 2009 66 units total: 31 elderly and 35 family
- 132) Lakewood, CO 2 buildings, 188 units smoke-free by end of 2009
- 133) Rifle, CO February, 2009 4 buildings, 28 units
- 134) Carbondale, CO March, 2009 64 units elderly
- 135) Presque Isle, ME March 31, 2009
- 136) Vancouver, WA May, 2009 1 elderly/disabled building; another in June, 2009; more later
- 137) Montevideo, MN June 1, 2009 1 building w/ 58 units
- 138) Detroit Lakes, MN July 1, 2009 1 building w/ 60 units
- 139) Jackson, MN July 1, 2009
- 140) 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
- 141) Menominee, MI August 1, 2009 83 elderly & 44 family units
- 142) Davis Community Housing Authority in Farmington, UT August 1, 2009 158 units, plus 28 Section 8 units
- 143) Titusville, PA Effective August 1, 2009 for 1 building; effective June 1, 2010 for another.
- 144) Cambridge, NE August 11, 2009 1 building w 4 units
- 145) Wadena, MN September 1, 2009 1 building w/ 120 units
- 146) Columbia Heights, MN September 15, 2009 2 properties w/ 145 units

- 147) Two Harbors, MN Effective October 1, 2009 1 building w/ 58 units
- 148) Ely, MN October, 2009 145 units
- 149) Charlevoix, MI October 20, 2009 1 building w/ 62 units elderly/disabled
- 150) Boston, MA Effective October, 2009 for 14 units; plan to have all 12,000+ units smoke-free in 3-4 years
- 151) North Bend, OR October, 2009 Effective March 1, 2010 for all buildings
- 152) Coos-Curry, OR October, 2009 Effective March 1, 2010 for all buildings
- 153) Decatur, TX Effective October, 2009 All 28 units
- 154) Cliffside Park, NJ Effective October, 2009 354 units elderly
- 155) Monroe, MI Effective Nov. 1, 2009 All 293 units: 148 elderly/disabled; 115 family; 30 scattered site
- 156) Boise City/Ada County, ID Nov. 1, 2009 All 214 units; elderly, disabled & family
- 157) Polk County, AR November, 2009 Effective January 1, 2010 6 buildings, 182 units
- 158) Little Rock, AR November 2009 Effective January 1, 2010 3 buildings 596 units (428 age 50+ and 168 family)
- 159) Duluth, MN November 25, 2009 Effective May 1, 2010
- 160) Littleton, CO Effective sometime in 2009. 1 assisted living building w/110 units
- 161) Longmont, CO Effective sometime in 2009. 3 buildings w/172 units
- 162) Jackson County, OR Effective December, 2009. 3 buildings w/ 224 units
- 163) Ainsworth, NE December 7, 2009 All 8 buildings w 30 units
- 164) Bremerton, WA 2009 all buildings
- 165) Summit, NJ 2009 123 units elderly
- 166) Paterson, NJ Effective Dec. 31, 2009

- 167) Tooele County, UT Effective January 1, 2010 22 units
- 168) Manistee, MI Adopted November 24, 2009; effective Jan. 1, 2010. 2 duplexes & all future substantially repaired units
- 169) Syracuse, NE January 1, 2010 2 buildings w/ 11 units
- 170) Imperial, NE January 1, 2010 All 11 buildings w/ 44 units
- 171) Swift County, MN January 1, 2010 36 townhouses
- 172) Denver, CO Effective January, 2010 2 buildings w/ 90 units
- 173) Clallam County, WA Effective January 1, 2010 all properties, 480 units
- 174) Linn-Benton, OR Effective January 1, 2010; 8 buildings w/ 185 units
- 175) Washington County, OR Effective January, 1, 2010 for 12 buildings w/ 521 units & effective July, 2010 for 243 units (131 units are single family homes)
- 176) Highlands, NJ Effective January 2, 2010 95 units elderly
- 177) Friend, NE January 13, 2010 6 buildings w/ 25 units
- 178) Columbia Cascade, OR Effective March, 2010. All properties.
- 179) Northwest Oregon, OR Effective March, 2010. 7 properties w/ 218 units
- 180) Hall County, NE March, 2010 All, 1 building w/ 60 units
- 181) Keene, NH Effective April 1, 2010 All 546 units.
- 182) Tlingit and Haida Regional Housing Authority, AK Effective May/June, 2010 Several hundred units
- 183) Kennewick, WA Adopted February, 2010; all units and buildings effective July 1, 2010. total 205 units (72 units - elderly & disabled; 9 units - HIV/AIDs; 124 - multi family housing)
- 184) Burlington, VT Adopted February, 2010; Effective Nov. 1, 2010 3 buildings, 274 units elderly/disabled
- 185) Milford, CT Adopted March 16, 2010; Effective 3/17/10 for all new residents; 11/1/10 for all current residents. 465 units, elderly/family
- 186) Hancock, MI Adopted March 17, 2010; effective April 1, 2010. 2 buildings w/ 94 units elderly/disabled. New 24 unit building for disabled to be constructed soon will open smoke-free.

- 187) Everett, WA Adopted March 22, 2010; Effective for all 1,047 units on June 30, 2011.
- 188) Sault Tribe, MI Adopted April 19, 2010; effective May, 2010. 4 existing duplexes & 3 elderly triplexes to be built in 2011
- 189) Dundee, MI Adopted April 20, 2010; effective June 20, 2010. 1 building, 75 units elderly
- 190) Caseville, MI Adopted April 28, 2010; effective immediately. 11 buildings, 47 units elderly/disabled
- 191) Umatilla County, OR Effective May 1, 2010. All 8 properties w/ 364 units
- 192) Plymouth, MN Effective May 1, 2010. 2 buildings w/ 195 units total for elderly
- 193) Sutherland, NE May 1, 2010 1 building w/ 4 units
- 194) Montcalm County, MI Adopted May 25, 2010; effective June 1, 2010 & Dec. 1, 2010 for current smokers. 20 units elderly/disabled and 20 family scattered site units
- 195) Gloversville, NY Adopted May, 2010; effective September 1, 2010. All buildings.
- 196) Bridgeport, NE May, 2010 2 buildings w/ 8 units
- 197) Chappell, NE May, 2010 4 buildings w/ 19 units
- 198) Bellingham/Whatcom County, WA June, 2010 1 building & new properties
- 199) Broken Bow, NE June 1, 2010 1 building w/ 40 units
- 200) Lawrence-Douglas County, KS Adopted June 28, 2010; effective 1/1/11. All 6 properties w/ 823 units
- 201) Newmarket, NH Effective July, 2010
- 202) Dover, NH Effective July, 2010
- 203) McCook, NE July 1, 2010 4 buildings w/ 34 units
- 204) West Valley/Polk County, OR Effective August, 2010. All properties w/ 378 units
- 205) San Joaquin County, CA Adopted July 1, 2010; effective fall, 2010. All properties
- 206) Winnebago County, IL Adopted July 5, 2010
- 207) Gladstone, MI Adopted on July 13, 2010; effective August 1, 2010, but current smokers grandfathered for as long they live in unit. 2 buildings w/ 102 units for elderly & disabled
- 208) West Branch, MI Adopted July 21, 2010; effective August 1, 2010 & Jan. 1, 2011 for current smokers. 2 buildings w/ 87 units for elderly/disabled
- 209) Lansing, MI Adopted July 28, 2010; effective July 1, 2011. 834 total units in 4 buildings/developments and 250 scattered site units
- 210) Lane, OR (Housing & Community Services Agency) Effective January, 2011; 28 properties w/ 1,426 units
- 211) Laconia, NH Effective August 1, 2010 for new residents; effective August, 2011 for all residents.
- 212) Sturgis, MI Adopted August 24, 2010; effective Dec. 1, 2010 for new residents & Sept. 1, 2011 for all residents. 1 building w/ 71 units for elderly & disabled
- 213) Newton, NJ Summer, 2010 80 units
- 214) Reed City, MI Adopted September 16, 2010. Effective January 1, 2012. 7 buildings w/ 101 total units: 6 family with 33 units, and 1 elderly building w/ 68 units
- 215) Cheboygan, MI Effective 2010. 1 elderly building w/ 8 units
- 216) East Tawas, MI Effective October 1, 2010 for 1 building w/ 44 units, and effective Nov. 20, 2010 for 1 building w/ 41 units. 2 buildings w/ 85 units total.
- 217) Madison, NJ Effective October 1, 2010
- 218) Coldwater, MI Adopted October 7, 2010. Effective 1/1/11. 1 building w/ 97 units elderly/disabled
- 219) Portland, ME Adopted October 7, 2010. Effective July 1, 2011. 10 buildings w/ 574 family units & 418 elderly/disabled units; total, 992 units. Plus a 169 unit elderly/disabled building it manages.
- 220) Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi Indian Housing Authority, MI Effective 2010. 3 single family homes; plus, 5 homes to be built in 2011
- 221) Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish-Band of Pottawatomi Indians, a.k.a, Gun Lake Tribe, MI

Effective 2010. 9 houses

222) Pokagon Band Housing Authority, MI Effective 2010. 13 houses

223) Delta, CO November, 2010 1 building w/ 48 units

224) Aurora, CO November, 2010 1 building w/ 121 units for elderly; phasing in by 2012

225) Middletown, NJ Effective November 1, 2010 252 units

226) Niles, MI Adopted November 18, 2010. 1 high-rise w/ 129 units elderly/disabled/family & 50 scattered site family homes. Effective 1/1/11 for all indoor and outdoor common areas. Effective 1/1/12 for all indoor areas, including living units.

227) Wakefield, MI Adopted November, 2010. Effective December 20, 2010. Totally smoke-free on 12/20/11. 1 building w/ 30 units elderly.

228) Detroit, MI Adopted December 16, 2010; effective January 1, 2011. 15 buildings (10 elderly w/ 1440 units & 5 family) w/ 678 units) & 398 scattered site homes w/ 2516 total unit

229) Big Rapids, MI Adopted January 13, 2011; effective April 1, 2011; current residents who smoke are grandfathered until April 1, 2016. 1 building w/ 23 units

230) Hillsdale, MI Adopted January 20, 2011; effective immediately, w/ current smokers grandfathered as long they live in unit. 1 building w/ 60 units – family, elderly, disabled.

231) San Diego County, CA Adopted March 2, 2011; effective July 1, 2011. 4 complexes with 121 units

232) Iron Mountain, MI Adopted April 18, 2011; effective January 1, 2012. 2 buildings w/40 units each, & 20 scattered site units; total 100 units.

233) Port Huron, MI Adopted April, 2011; effective 7/1/11, w/ smokers grandfathered until 1/1/12. 5 buildings w/ 444 units – elderly, disabled, & family

* 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.