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The Live Smoke Free program, which educates landlords and tenants about the benefits of smoke-free apartments, hosted an educational presentation about smoke-free apartments at the annual "Working Together" conference of the Minnesota Multi-Housing Association and the Minnesota Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials on March 13, 2008.

Over 75 apartment owners and managers attended the presentation, which featured two landlords who spoke about their experiences in making their buildings smoke free. A tenant who has become sick from secondhand smoke exposure in her apartment shared her story with the audience. An attorney from the Tobacco Law Center shared information about the legalities of smoke-free policies for apartment buildings, and a building engineer described research that demonstrates support for smoke-free buildings. Live Smoke Free staff explained the steps landlords can follow to transition their buildings to smoke-free properties. Over the course of the two-day conference, nearly 150 housing professionals picked up smoke-free apartments information from the Live Smoke Free booth as well.

About Live Smoke Free

The Live Smoke Free program promotes smoke-free policies for apartment and other multi-housing buildings in the Twin Cities metro area. Live Smoke Free assists tenants and landlords who wish to adopt smoke-free building policies. If you know of anyone who would like to learn more about smoke-free multi-housing, please let us know or direct people to our web site at www.mnsmokefreehousing.org.

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