

# Live Smoke Free



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2,100+ Smoke-Free MN Properties and Counting!

## Landlord's Log

*Smoke-Free Housing: Healthier Buildings, Happier Residents, a Smart Investment*

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### Greetings!

Thank you for your interest in smoke-free housing. If you would like more information or have questions about how to adopt, implement, or promote a smoke-free policy, the Live Smoke Free team would be happy to help.

Healthy regards,

*Live Smoke Free Staff*

### Smoke-Free Housing Headlines

[New York Times: Public housing nationwide may be subject to smoking ban](#)

## New Proposed Smoke-Free Rule From HUD



On November 17, 2015 the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development announced a proposed rule to mandate smoke-free housing in public housing.

Key components of the proposed rule include:

- Applies to all public housing
- Excludes dwelling units in mixed-finance buildings and "Section 8" housing
- Includes outdoor areas up to 25 feet from the housing and administrative office buildings
- Prohibits the use of any "lit tobacco product"
- Excludes water pipe tobacco and electronic cigarettes, in any area where smoking is restricted

HUD is requesting comments from the public, which must be received by January 19, 2016. After the public comment period and consideration of all comments, HUD may publish a final rule. Public housing agencies would be required to adopt a smoke-free policy within 18 months of the effective date of the final rule.

You can learn more about the proposed rule from the [Public Health Law Center](#). See below for information on an upcoming webinar on this topic.

[Hutchinson Leader: Smoke-free apartment living](#)

[Cincinnati Public Housing is going smoke free](#)

List your smoke-free building on the FREE Minnesota [smoke-free housing directory!](#)



Renters want smoke-free living. Our [directory](#) gets more than 1,500 unique hits per month!

## Thank you for your support!

Your [donations](#) help us increase the number of smoke-free housing opportunities in MN and across the U.S.!



**Free cessation services available to all Minnesotans**

[Quitplan](#) offers free

To read the proposed rule, [click here](#).

To submit a comment, [click here](#).

Contact [Live Smoke Free](#) if you would like assistance submitting a comment.

## You're Invited

### Upcoming Webinar from the Public Health Law Center

["Home is Where the Health Is: HUD's Proposed Rule Restricting Smoking in Public Housing"](#)

**Monday, Dec. 14, 2015; 12 p.m. Central Time**

Last month, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) proposed a rule that would restrict smoking in public housing. This Consortium webinar will provide an overview of what the rule covers and doesn't cover, describe the process of implementing smoke-free housing policies, and explain how to submit comments on the proposed rule to HUD. Presenters will include Consortium attorneys, a HUD staff member, and smoke-free housing expert.

[Click to register](#)

## A Tip for Your Toolbox: Promoting Smoke-Free Policy Compliance

One of the most common questions a property manager asks when adopting a smoke-free policy is, "How do I enforce it?".



Check out these helpful [tips and strategies for policy compliance](#) to make your smoke-free policy a success.

## Spotlight On: *Dominum's Jefferson Square*

services to all Minnesotans (regardless of insurance status) to help them quit smoking.



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## Happy holidays from Live Smoke Free!

Wishing you a cheery holiday  
season and a smoke-free new  
year!



Jefferson Square in Northfield, MN is preparing to go smoke free on January 1, 2016!

*"Jefferson Square, located at 1356 Jefferson Road, Northfield, saw a complete revamp roughly five years ago, said community manager Catherine Kohout, and now, they're hoping to make it last."*

Check out coverage of this Dominum building's smoke free plans in the [Northfield News](#).

## Free Signs!



Smoke-free buildings in Minnesota can receive **FREE signs!**

Signage helps with policy implementation, promotion

and compliance. We have door plaques, metal signs, lawn signs and banners. We also have window clings in English, Spanish and Hmong.

Plus, we've got new, outdoor metal signs featuring e-cigarette language!

Access our order form [here](#)

\*A copy of the smoke-free policy language is required for free



signs and/ or to list on our directory. Buildings requesting signage must be located in Minnesota and have a minimum of 100% smoke-free indoor policy. Live Smoke Free reserves the right to limit an order based upon quantities of materials available.

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