

You may call Snohomish Health District's Tobacco Resource Line at 425.339.5237 for additional information, including:

- business posters
- additional copies of this brochure
- *Thank You For Not Smoking* signs to post inside and outside of your establishment

These items may also be found on our website:

[www.snohd.org](http://www.snohd.org)

### Help your Employees Quit Smoking!

If your employees use tobacco, chances are they'd like to quit. Promote Washington's Tobacco Quit Line at **1.800.QUIT NOW**

Research shows that those who call the Quit Line double their chances of success! Learn more at [www.quitline.com](http://www.quitline.com)


*Place Quit Line posters in break rooms – call and we can send them to you!  
Employees who don't smoke are healthier and take fewer breaks and sick days!*

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Still smell smoke?  
Save **425.339.5237** in your phone

- Report violations
- Find out about quitting

Help keep Washington smoke-free!



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## Congratulations, Snohomish County

*for clearing the air in workplaces and public places!*

Your compliance with the law helps keep a level playing field for all Washington businesses.

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**Thank you for helping us improve the health of all people in Snohomish County!**

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## Understanding Washington State's Clean Indoor Air law

For Business Owners and Operators

On November 8, 2005, Washington voters made one of the healthiest choices in our state's history by passing Initiative 901.

Currently, over a year later, 99% of businesses are in compliance with the law, based on violation reports.



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The voters of Washington State have spoken in favor of smoke-free public spaces and workplaces. Educating your staff about the law and why it is good for public health will serve you well in adequately addressing customer questions and concerns.

Snohomish Health District wants to help you, your employees and customers to better understand and comply with the law. Included here are some tips and facts about successfully implementing the law, as well as health issues related to secondhand tobacco smoke.

Tips for successful implementation of the law:

- All “public places” and “places of employment” are included under the law, meaning any portion of any building or vehicle used by and open to the public or workers, whether the building is owned in whole or in part by private persons or entities, and whether or not an entry/ membership fee is charged.
- Owners or lessees of all businesses and workplaces are required to post signs prohibiting smoking. Signage must be conspicuous at building entrances and in prominent locations throughout a building.
- No smoking should be allowed within 25 feet of entrances and exits, including windows that open and ventilation intakes.
- In addition to signage at entrances and inside buildings, in hotels and motels no less than 75% of sleeping quarters available for rent to guests will be required to be smoke free.
- This law does include membership-only clubs that have employees and/or allow guests onto the premises.
- Smoking break rooms, employee garages and covered entry ways will no longer be allowed to have smoking.
- Tribes are Sovereign Nations, and are exempt from the law.

Service workers deserve the same levels of protection at work as all other workers. Breathing toxic air should not be a condition of employment for wait staff, bartenders, managers or support staff!

- **As of December 8, 2005, more than 100,000 non-smokers in our state who were exposed to secondhand smoke while on the job will be able to breathe clean air at work.**
- **Secondhand smoke is a killer. It contains about 4,000 chemicals and 60 known human cancer-causing chemicals.**
- **Every year, an estimated 38,000 non-smokers die from exposure to secondhand smoke.**
- **Remember that 81% of the people of Washington State and 78% of Snohomish County residents DO NOT SMOKE!**