## Secondhand Smoke Survey among Multi-unit Housing Residents in El Paso

## About the survey

The survey was conducted among 93 residents of four private multi-unit housing properties in El Paso, Texas from November 2017 through February 2018. The survey was administered by members of the Project APEX program which is funded by A Smoke Free Paso del Norte and implemented by UTHealth in collaboration with three EPISD High Schools- Bowie HS, Austin HS and Chapin HS.





Have someone who smokes cigarettes, cigars, pipes, hookah pipes or e-cigars in their apartment

**45%** Can **smell smoke** from outside or from other apartments in their home



**42%** 

Suffer from chronic illnesses (such as asthma & heart disease) or have someone in their home that does



**78**%

Worry about how secondhand smoke affects their health or their family's health



80% Would like to live in a SMOKE-FREE apartment

90% Would be supportive of smoke-free policies in their building!



## Other Findings...

**87%** Do not allow smoking in their home

40% Would be willing to pay more rent to live in a smoke-free apartment building



**57%** 

Would be willing to speak to a property manager about adopting a smoke-free building policy



"I have no objection to smoking-- that's people's own poison."

"I grew up in a household where both parents smoked, it is very important to me to avoid smoking areas."

A Smoke Free Paso Del Norte is an initiative of the Paso del Norte Health Foundation, whose goal is to eliminate tobacco smoking in the region.

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