

# TOBACCO FREE NEWS

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## NOTES FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

KAY ASHTON



We would like to take a moment to acknowledge and thank all of ATCA's workgroups for the many wonderful things you have accomplished and are working on now. The workgroups continue to be the work horse (or thoroughbreds) of ATCA and are essential to reach our goals. Each and every one will play an integral role in helping us reach our big goal of a SMOKE & TOBACCO FREE ALASKA!

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We would like to encourage you to join at least one of ATCA's work groups: Smokefree housing, Medicaid/3rd Party Payer, Youth, Communications, Elections, Membership, Scholarship, LEAD and Summit Planning can all use your ideas and energy! Pick an issue you are interested in, build your skills and make a difference.

For those already involved with the work groups this is the time to grow your groups and your leadership. Reaching our goals will take all of us, our partners, and our communities.

Thank you so for all your great work!  
*Kay & Moses*

### Alaska Smoke-Free Housing

By Wendy Hamilton  
Chair, Housing Working Group

The Alaska Smoke-free Housing Partnership (ASHP), a workgroup of the Alaska Tobacco Control Alliance (ATCA), has completed the development of ten forms that can be used by residents and landlords/property managers to transition to smoke-free multi-unit housing.

The forms include:

- full-color brochure
- Legality and Profitability fact sheet
- sample resident survey and letter
- sample resident to landlord letter



### SMOKEFREE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP

- sample physician letter
  - sample lease addendum/house rule
  - sample smoke-free policy
- two letters explaining how to use the materials, one for residents and one for landlords property managers.

Property Manager packets.

For more information about the forms or smoke-free multi-unit housing, please call the ATCA toll-free number 1-888-474-4635.

The forms are available for grantees on the Smokefree Alaska Forum. Grantees can also contact JoAnne Zito-Brause with the State Tobacco Program for separate Resident packets and Land lord/

Kenai Peninsula Hosts  
2010 ATCA Summit

By Jenny Olendorf  
From April 21-23, 2010, approximately 150-200 tobacco prevention and control advocates from across the state of Alaska will gather at the state-of-the-art *Challenger Learning Center of Alaska*, located in downtown Kenai, to discuss tobacco prevention and cessation, clean indoor air policy, youth advocacy programs and other related issues.

The ATCA Summit Content Committee is already planning the conference agenda. At this time, we are recruiting several nationally recognized experts on tobacco and secondhand smoke, including **Dr. Richard Carmona**, former U.S. Surgeon General under President

Bush, and **Dr. Stanton Glantz**, Director of the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education, UC San Francisco.

We have set our sights high in so-

impacts on our local and statewide policy work. Both Dr. Carmona and Dr. Glantz have responded positively to our invitations to speak at the Summit.



Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan to visit Kenai this spring for great learning opportunities and superb recreation!

For additional information about the 2010 Summit, you can contact Jenny Olendorff, Tobacco Summit Chair at [tcap@alaska.net](mailto:tcap@alaska.net)

liciting these keynote speakers because we believe that the participation of these experts and their offer to meet with Alaskan policymakers will have long-term positive



ALASKA TOBACCO ADVOCACY  
INITIATIVE MINI-GRANT PROGRAM

**What's the deal?**

We are giving out \$2000 mini-grants to youth groups to work on stamping out corporate tobacco's marketing to youth in Alaska.

**What's the catch?**

Groups receiving this grant will participate in two projects in the larger campaign against tobacco use and abuse. Groups will also need to send two youth members and adult advisors to Anchorage to attend the *Youth Tobacco Advocacy Summit* in February 2010

**What's in it for my organization?**

No cost leadership and activism training for youth from all over Alaska structured projects and goals that will build a better and healthier state. The potential for earning \$2,000 in grant money to use for travel, supplies, equipment, pizza parties, just about anything your group might need!

**What's in it for youth?**

Not just the money! Youth members are running the show, learning how to make sure your voice gets heard! Members also will have opportunities to serve in leadership positions in a statewide organization and advisory group.

**This sounds GREAT! How do I get started?**

If your club or organization is ready to make an impact in the fight against tobacco and earn \$2000, then contact us for an application today! Applications are due September 30, 2009. For more information, contact Jennifer Adzima, the Mini-Grant Coordinator at [jadzima@aklung.org](mailto:jadzima@aklung.org) or call (907) 644-6410

Applications and additional information are available at [www.myspace.com/aktai](http://www.myspace.com/aktai)



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