

Breathe Easy in Kanawha County!

Clean Indoor Air Anniversary Approaches!

- Kanawha County is approaching the first anniversary of a more comprehensive Clean Indoor Air regulation for public places in Kanawha County. (July 1)

Not a Smoking Ban!

- Contrary to what is commonly referred to by the media and others as a “smoking ban”, Kanawha County is enjoying smoke free air indoors because smokers are stepping outside. Clean Indoor Air regulations do not force smokers to quit.

Non-smokers Protected!

- **Non-smoking patrons** of businesses in Kanawha County are protected from exposure to over 4,000 chemicals in secondhand tobacco smoke (At least 50 believed to cause cancer) since smokers are asked to step outside to smoke.
- **Non-smoking employees** of businesses in Kanawha County are protected from secondhand smoke. This is great news based on studies that show people who work in places that allow indoor smoking have significantly higher rates of heart attacks and are 34% more likely to develop lung cancer.

Non-smokers say Thanks!

- Non-smokers traveling to other counties and states with weaker regulations/laws, say it's a pleasure to return home to smoke-free Kanawha County.
- More and more organizations are choosing to schedule conferences and meetings in communities that are smoke-free. Kanawha County is sure to prosper!

As someone living with lung disease, I can now patronize places with friends that I have avoided in the past.

- Steve, Charleston, Age 54

I work in Kanawha County and live in Putnam County. It is so refreshing to see Kanawha County take a leadership role in addressing Clean Indoor Air!

- Sharon, Winfield (Work in Institute), Age 39