# Tobacco Littering: Not just 'someone else's' problem

#### Hazardous and toxic

If cigarette butts are the most littered item in America and even after they are smoked they remain hazardous.





# Littering on public land

When cigarette butts are littered on public land governments are forced to clean them up which means higher taxes to fix other people's problems

## Littering on private land

When cigarette butts are littered on someone else's private land it forces them to clean up another smoker's mess.





### **Community impact**

When cigarette butts are littered it makes communities less attractive to live and work in. This can drive away residents and hurt small businesses

#### **Wildfires**

Every year in California there are dozens of wildfires started by smoking.\* These fires put entire communities at risk





#### **An Issue for Everyone**

Littering cigarette butts is NOT just an individual's problem. It forces governments to pay for clean-ups, pollutes other people's land, makes communities less attractive, and raises the risk of wildfires. This is an issue for everyone.