

# Breathe Easy Muskoka

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Dear Helen:

Thank you for contacting the *Breathe Easy Muskoka Coalition* and showing your support for a smoke-free environment. Most people know how hazardous second-hand smoke is and want to make our community a healthier place to live.

We need your help. Politicians need to hear from you and your friends that second-hand smoke is hazardous and should not be in public places such as restaurants. Let them know that you support smoke-free by-laws in Muskoka.

The best way to get the message across is to telephone, write or fax all of the councillors in your area. There are several vocal people who are against smoke-free by-laws and are already speaking to the politicians.

The majority of the population support smoke-free by-laws but is not pushing the issue enough. **Our voices need to be heard.** Nothing will happen unless enough people contact councillors and let them know how they feel.

Let's work together to make Muskoka a pleasant place to live. Thank you so much for your support. Enclosed you will find information on second hand smoke, addresses of Councillors and a sample of a letter. Please contact me anytime for more information.

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