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## September 2022 News & Updates



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# Ready to Quit?

Kick It CA is a free program that helps Californians kick smoking, vaping, and smokeless tobacco with the help of proven, science-based strategies. Take the first step toward quitting.



# San Benito County Passes Flavored Tobacco and Single Use E-cigarette Ban.

On August 23, 2022, San Benito County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously on an ordinance that prohibits the sale of all flavored tobacco products and single use electronic cigarettes in all unincorporated and incorporated areas of San Benito County. The ban covers tobacco products with "a taste or smell other than the taste or smell of tobacco," including candy and fruit-flavored electronic smoking devices or e-cigarettes. The ban goes into effect September 22, 2022. After September 22, 2022, retailers could face up to a \$250 fine for each violation.

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## **Tobacco World News**



#### FDA Warns Manufacturer for Marketing Illegal Flavored Nicotine Gummies

"Nicotine gummies are a public health crisis just waiting to happen among our nation's youth, particularly as we head into a new school year," said FDA Commissioner Robert M. Califf, M.D. "We want parents to be aware of these products and the potential for health consequences for children of all ages – including toxicity to young children and appeal of these addictive products to our youth. The FDA will not stand by as illegal products infiltrate the marketplace."



#### Eight Tobacco Retailers in Hollister Sold Tobacco Products to Youth

On June 6, 2022, five 17-18-year-old youth, conducted a youth decoy operation in Hollister. Of the 27 stores that sell tobacco products in Hollister, the youth were able to conduct a purchase transaction of tobacco at eight stores without being asked for identification to determine whether they were of age to purchase the product

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## Tobacco Education Program Wants To Hear From San Benito County Residents!

The San Benito County Tobacco Education Program would like to improve our community by reducing harm from commercial tobacco products. This survey is NOT about quitting smoking. Your answers are voluntary, anonymous and private, without your name, so please be as honest as possible. Please share the link with your friends and family, we would love to hear from San Benito County Residents. Please see link down below.

#### **Public Opinion Poll for Prevention of Tobacco Harm**

San Benito County Tobacco Education Program

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