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Smoke Free Indy Response to Marion County Election Results

Current changes in City-County Council show bi-partisan support for a strong smoke-free ordinance that will protect all workers.

With 70% of Marion County residents supporting smoke-free workplaces, including restaurants and bars, it is no surprise that this issue was front and center in many City-County Council races and the Mayoral election. With the results of Tuesday's election there is now a bi-partisan majority of City-County Council members and the Mayor on the record supporting a strengthened smoke-free law which includes all restaurant and bars.

"It was encouraging that strengthening the current smoke-free law was forefront in many campaigns across the county," said Lindsay Grace, Chair of Smoke Free Indy. "We are looking forward to working with the new City-County Council and the Mayor's office to pass a strong smoke-free ordinance protecting Indianapolis workers from the dangers of secondhand smoke."

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Smoke Free Indy is a coalition of state and local public health organizations, community based organizations, physicians, businesses, schools, the faith community and Marion County residents dedicated to reducing secondhand smoke, tobacco usage and tobacco initiation through education, prevention and advocacy. For more information visit: www.smokefreeindy.com

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