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Check Out the East Bay Tobacco Youth Council



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The East Bay Tobacco Youth Council brings together students from the East Bay to engage community members in order to educate policy makers and prevent tobacco use.

The Council meets once a month for different activities. Presentations on tobacco are given to help develop the group's goals, plan upcoming events, and look at the effects of tobacco in advertising.

The Council recently helped the RI Department of Health assess stores that sell tobacco by looking for sales practices and tobacco advertisements. Students educated peers, community stakeholders and legislators during National Kick Butts Day at the Zombie Walk in Providence.

Here are some facts:

- Almost all e-cigarettes contain nicotine—including many that claim they are nicotine-free.
- E-cigarettes expose others to secondhand emissions.
- Nearly 9 out of 10 lung cancers are caused by smoking
- An estimated 88 million nonsmoking Americans, including 54% of children aged 3–11 years, are exposed to secondhand smoke.

The East Bay Tobacco Youth Council created a social media campaign for World No Tobacco Day.

Check out our Facebook page for a daily fact about tobacco use through June 4th.

<https://www.facebook.com/East-Bay-Tobacco-Youth-Council-1030807153645435/>

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