

MONTEBELLO FAMILY CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, October 25, 2025
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Montebello City Park
(1301 W. Whittier Blvd.,
Montebello, CA 90640)

WHAT IS SECONDHAND SMOKE?

Secondhand smoke refers to traveling smoke from the burning ends of tobacco products, such as cigarettes. This also includes other plant-based products, such as cannabis and marijuana, and aerosols exhaled by users of electronic smoking devices, such as e-cigarettes.¹

THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- Cigarette butts are the #1 trash item found on beaches and roadsides.²
- The City of Los Angeles spends \$19.7 million per year on clean-up costs for tobacco litter.³
- 718,217 pounds of toxic chemicals were released from U.S. tobacco facilities in 2021.⁴

SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS CLEAN-UP

- Smoking in Montebello's public parks is prohibited, according to Ordinance No. 2471's Line 12.24.270.⁵
- As we come together to clean-up the park, let's acknowledge the city's existing protections that help ensure we remain safe from secondhand smoke exposure.



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Related Litter

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