

# Tobacco Talk

## SWAT Youth Coalition Recruitment

SWAT students from Hamilton High School participated in Club Quad Day. Club Quad Day is an event where the various clubs at Hamilton High School gather in the quad area to promote their individual clubs. The SWAT students did a great job promoting SWAT and recruiting new members.



**Left to Right:** Victor Leyva, Yisel Tejeda, Abigail Torres, Jessica Hamm and Wendy Perez.

## PhotoVoice Project

SWAT students from Orland High School have been working on a Photovoice project that focuses on the retail environment. The students went out into their community and took photos that helped to represent and express how tobacco affects youth in the community. This project allows the students to showcase their photography skills while also helping to solidify the needs of the community.



**Back Row Left to Right:** Elisa Montes, Jordan Radisich and Anahi Ibanez **Front Row Left to Right:** Maggie Torres, Rogelio Martinez, Mikaela Martinez, Tracy Nunez and Maria Torres



# Great American Smokeout Presentations (GAS)

The SWAT youth coalitions at Hamilton, Orland and Willows High Schools conducted 16 Great American Smokeout presentations to 5 local elementary and junior high schools. Great American Smokeout presentations teach the young students about the effects of tobacco use and encourages them to live a tobacco-free life. The presentations also give the SWAT students an opportunity to enhance their public speaking and advocacy skills.





## North State Youth Advocacy Summit 2019

SWAT students from Willows, Hamilton and Orland High Schools attended the North State Youth Advocacy Summit on January 19th. The Summit taught the students to advocate for health disparities, it improved their leadership skills, and it encouraged them to promote tobacco-free communities. The students were also able to meet and gain influence from the motivational speaker, Mike Smith, who has years of experience working with and empowering youth.



**Back Row Left to Right:** Victor Leyva, Jessica Hamm, Abigail Torres, Braulio Romo and Michael Knecht **Middle Row Left to Right:** Alondra Pompa, Cynthia Guzman, Leeci Camarena, Star Plaza, Anahi Ibanez and Pratham Bhardwaj **Front Row Left to Right:** Magie Torres, Jasmine Mojica, Maria Torres, Yisel Tejeda and Wendy Perez

## Día del Campesino

Hamilton High School SWAT students attended the Día del Campesino event in Hamilton City. The students helped with tabling and educated the public about the benefits of smoke-free parks. The SWAT students also helped conduct public opinion polls to evaluate the community members thoughts and feelings on secondhand smoke and smoke-free parks in Hamilton City.



Outreach table at the Día del Campesino event



**Left to Right:** Maricruz Montes de Oca, Wendy Perez, Yisel Tejeda and Valerie Chavez  
**Not Pictured:** Emily Trenado & Yessenia



## Park Clean Ups

SWAT students from Willows High School participated in a post-ordinance park cleanup day. Youth members went out searching for tobacco liter to see how well the new no smoking signs were helping to promote a smoke-free environment at the local parks in Willows. Fortunately, we didn't find very much tobacco litter, but we still had a blast cleaning up the local parks!



**Left to Right:** Elena Guadiana, Pratham Bhardwaj, Stephanie Miranda, Angelina Juarez and Anna Juarez



Stephanie Miranda, Anna Juarez and Angelina Juarez picking up tobacco litter at Sycamore Park in Willows

Hamilton High School SWAT youth conducted a Park Cleanup at their two local parks, while also snapping photos for their Photovoice project. The two projects aimed to express to the community the need for tobacco free parks in Hamilton City.



**Left to Right:** Abigail Torres, Victor Leyva, Jessica Hamm and Michael Knecht



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