## Big Tobacco: Targeting a new generation YOUTH

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#### MEET THE FACILITATORS!



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#### CALIFORNIA HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

changing lives by improving health and wellness

WITH A MISSION OF CHANGING LIVES BY IMPROVING HEALTH AND WELLNESS, THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH COLLABORATIVE (CHC) WAS FOUNDED IN 1982 AS A NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION UNDER CODE 501 (C) 3.

API PACT & Unidos Por Salud are tasked with reducing tobacco-related health disparities and improving health equity among API & Latinx populations in the Central Valley.







#### TRADITIONAL TOBACCO

Tobacco grown or harvested and used by American Indian Nations for ceremonial or medicinal purposes.



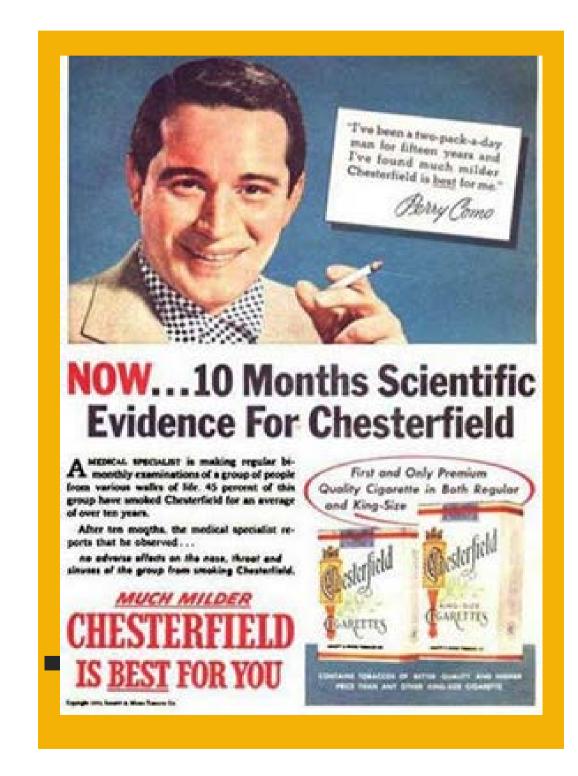
#### **COMMERCIAL TOBACCO**

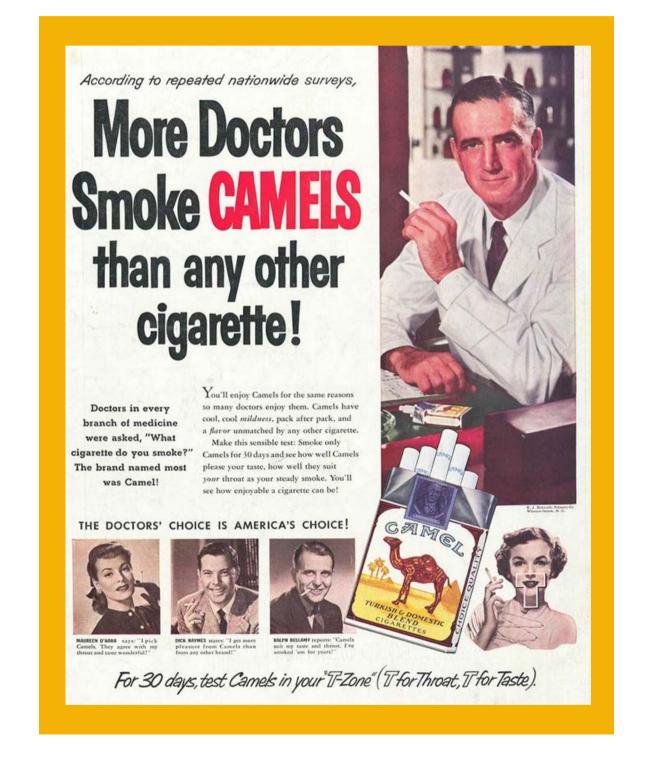
Tobacco marketed for profit



#### EARLY TOBACCO MARKETING









## TARGETING MINORITIES

# MARKETING TO YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

When smokers started dying, tobacco companies needed replacement smokers





# SECRET REPORTS

"Hitting the youth can be more efficient even though the cost to reach them is higher, because they are willing to experiment, they have more influence over others in their age group than they will later in life, and they are far more loyal to their starting brand."

A Phillip Morris Executive, 1957

"Attract young smoker to replace the older ones who were dying or quitting ... I was part of a scam, selling an image to young boys. My job was to get half a million kids to smoke by 1995"

Lead model for RJ Reynolds for 7 years, 1992



# TARGETING A NEW GENERATION

#### YOUTH

Through modern smoking devices, flavored tobacco, cheap prices, colorful packaging and their favorite artists influencers



# TOBACCO USE AMONG YOUTH

Overall, nearly 1 in 6 (14.9%) Hispanic high school students are current users of any tobacco product.

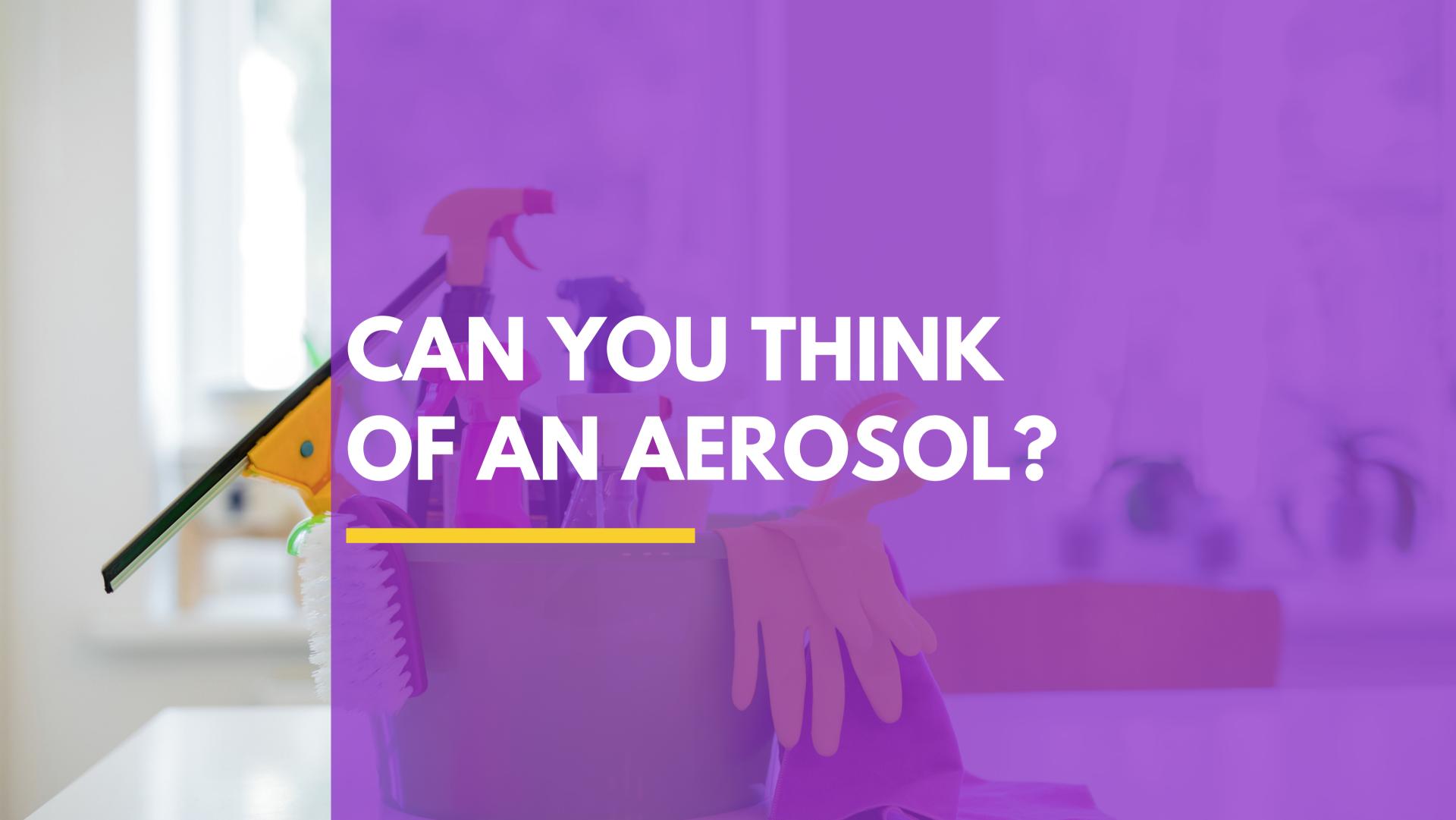
Vapes were the most common tobacco product used among California high school youth in 2022

# IS VAPING?

Vaping simulates smoking

Vapes create an aerosol that is inhaled into the lungs where nicotine and chemicals cross over into the bloodstream.





### VAPOR

VS

## AEROSOL





## VAPING & CANNABIS



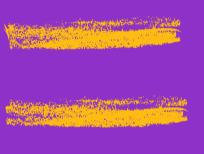


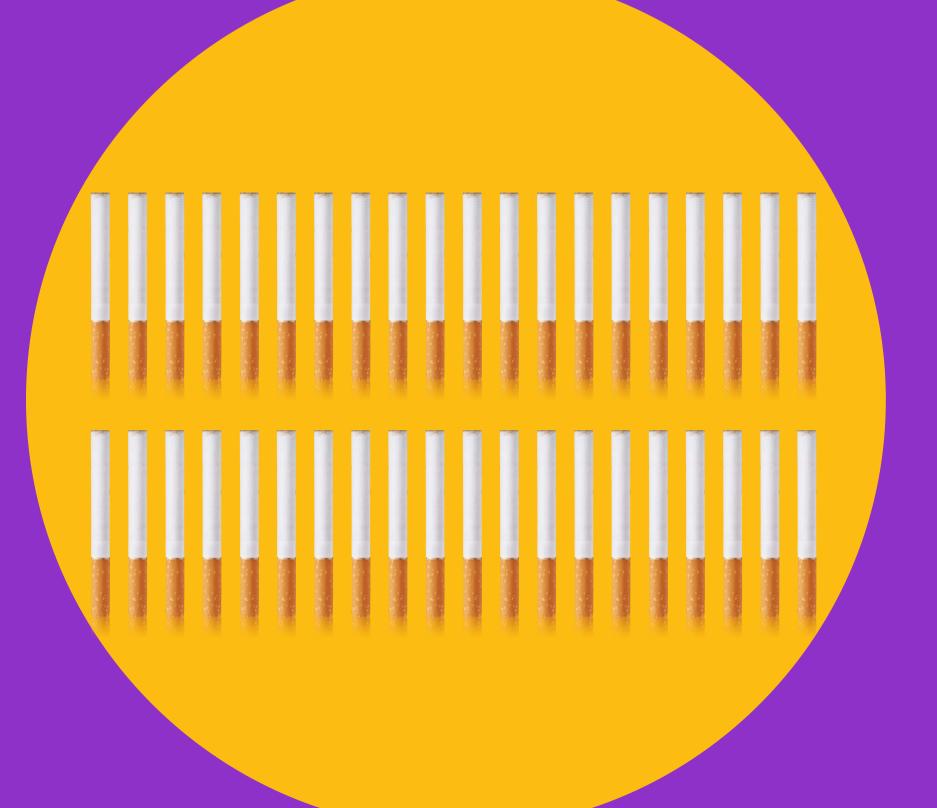




## HIGH QUANTITIES OF NICOTINE







### NICOTINE = BRAIN POISON

Some tobacco products are designed to deliver nicotine to the brain within seconds.

Modern vaping devices have as much as 6x the nicotine concentration of first generation e-cigs.



#### KNOW THE RISKS OF VAPING



#### BRAIN DEVELOPMENT

Nicotine products can rewire the teen brain to crave more of the substance



#### DEPENDENCE & BEHAVIOR

Nicotine use can lead to regular use of tobacco products, resulting in long-term exposure to toxic chemicals and long-lasting health effects



#### AEROSOL & OTHER CHEMICALS

E-cigarettes contain nicotine, ultrafine particles, heavy metals, and volatile organic compounds

## NICOTINE USE IN YOUNG ADULTS CAN WORSEN...













## VAPING RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR YOUTH

- Kick it California: Text NOVAPES to 66819
- Text DITCHJUUL to 88709
- Text START MY QUIT to 1-855-891-9989
- National Cancer Institute

# Become a your ADVOCATE!



Is there a health club in your school?

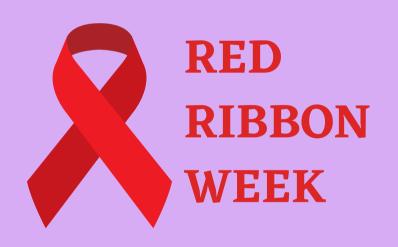
What changes do you want to see in your community to protect your peers from tobacco?

Take a stand for your community!

## WAYS TO BRING AWARENESS TO YOUR COMMUNITY









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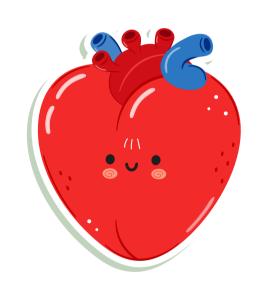
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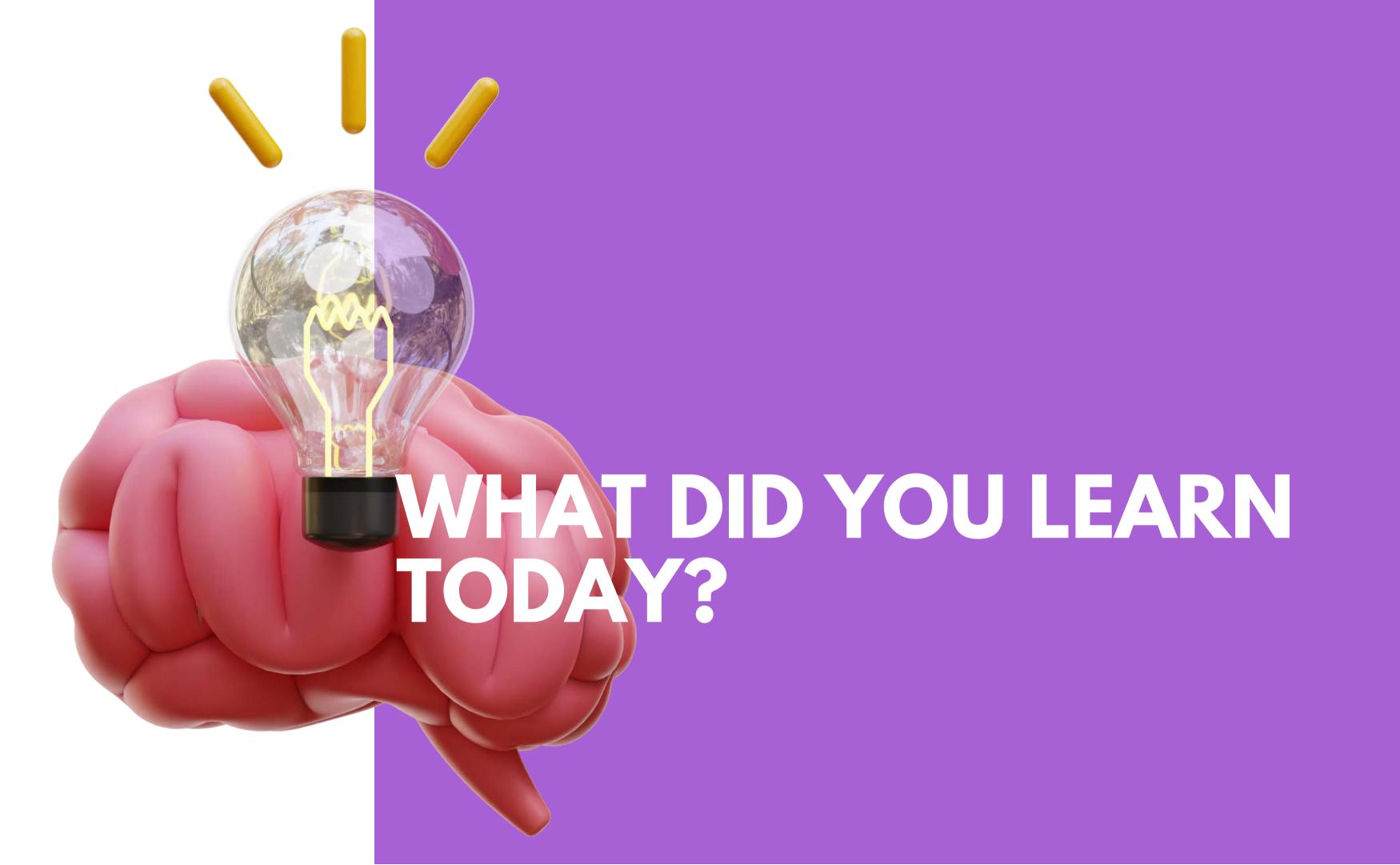


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