TAKE ACTION AGAINST FLAVORED TOBACCO



There are over 15,000 flavors that play a key role in making flavored tobacco products more appealing to youth.<sup>1</sup>

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

**97%** of youth who vape use flavors<sup>2</sup>

## In 2019, in Merced County



**86%** of little cigars and cigarillos (LCCs) available for purchase were fruit or sweet

**66%** of flavored products available for purchase were on sale<sup>3</sup>



## From 2016 to 2019



Stores selling flavored noncigarette tobacco products increased from **78%** to **89%**<sup>3</sup>

Stores near schools selling flavored non-cigarette tobacco products increased from **62%** to **76%**<sup>3</sup>



#### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

If you would like to join us in the fight against flavored tobacco:



Read fact sheets on flavored tobacco



Educate lawmakers on the impact flavored tobacco has on youth



Join your local tobacco control coalition

→ <u>A Community Counteracting</u>
<u>Tobacco (ACCT) Coalition</u>

#### **LOCAL DATA**

For more data on Merced County, visit: www.healthystoreshealthycommunity.com

#### **TOBACCO CONTROL RESOURCES**

- Tobacco Free CA
- Flavors Hook Kids Campaign
- Truth Initiative
- <u>California Youth Advocacy</u>
   <u>Network</u>
- California Health Collaborative



### **SOURCES**

- 1. Tobacco-Free Kids
- 2. TobaccoFreeCA
- 3. Healthy Stores for a Healthy Community (HSHC) Campaign, Merced County

# Protect children and families from flavored tobacco



