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ALA's State of Tobacco Control Press Conference

On January 25, 2017, Hannah Grebner, a sophomore nursing student at the University of Mary and member of Bismarck Tobacco Free Coalition spoke at the American Lung Association's press conference where they release their 2017 State of Tobacco Control report. Hannah shared about the great work that has been done for tobacco prevention and control. "We have to continue to stay strong and protect our future generations from a lifetime addiction to nicotine by honoring the vote of the people in 2008 to continue a fully funded tobacco prevention and control program based off of Centers for Disease Control Best Practices." BreatheND funding is the Master Tobacco Settlement fund not state or federal funds. To view the



North Dakota 2017 State of Tobacco Control Press Conference: https://www.facebook.com/ALANorthDakota/?hc_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf

Reasons why to keep BreatheND





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SMOKE-FREE AIR	>				
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Our **FAILING** grades show that there is still a lot of work to do to protect youth and young adults from a lifetime addiction to nicotine, but right now ND is at risk for losing it's A Grade in Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Funding. Policy makers and community members need to act boldly and protect the states tobacco prevention and control program. For more information about the ALA's State of Tobacco Control Report Card: http://www.lung.org/our-initiatives/tobacco/reports-resources/sotc/

1000 North Dakotans die each year from smoking related disease. Smoking kills more people than alcohol, AIDS, car crashes, illegal drugs, murders, and suicides combined.



Trygve Olson cartoon: Tobacco use

(Source: Fargo Inforum)

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