

## Franklin's First Family Outdoor Movie Night June 15, 2016

On Wednesday, June 15, the City of Franklin with community partners Gift of Wings kite shop and Franklin Teens Fighting Tobacco (FT2) youth group collaborated on its first outdoor Franklin Family Fun Flick at Lions Legion Park featuring the movie *Inside Out*. Gift of Wings kite shop offered food and kites for purchase and FT2 offered games for youth to participate. The games for youth helped spread the truth about tobacco through trivia cards from FACT; a statewide youth-driven organization dedicated to tobacco prevention. In addition, a short commercial relating smoking in non-R-rated movies to increased youth tobacco rates was shown as a preview to the featured presentation.

About 100 individuals attended the event. Everyone who evaluated it indicated the event met their expectations and they would attend a similar opportunity in the future. In addition, attendees agreed that FT2 spread positive messaging about healthy lifestyles and the damaging effects from tobacco products; meeting the group's goal. Mary Schlueter, a FT2 member in eighth grade, said the "outdoor movie night was a good summer kickoff" while another FT2 member, Emily Mains, junior at Franklin High School, commented that "the kids really seemed to enjoy [the bowling game] and it was great seeing so many smiles on their faces."

Overall, the first outdoor Franklin Family Fun Flick was successful per written evaluations and subjective comments and observations from attendees. One citizen even contacted the library to say the "Movie Night was most appreciated... all had a great time... [and she] hope[s] that [we] will have another night like this one". The event shed positive light on the City and local business; and promoted health and family togetherness.



