



# TSET: INVESTING IN HEALTH

Established by voters, the Oklahoma Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET) is a state grantmaking trust devoted to preventing cancer and cardiovascular disease, Oklahoma's leading causes of death. By awarding grants to schools, communities, state agencies and partner organizations, TSET works to improve the health of Oklahoma's citizens. It also funds research and emerging opportunities in the public and private sectors. TSET initiatives are addressing Oklahoma's most pressing public health issues — and creating healthier places for all Oklahomans to live, work, learn and play.

BECAUSE OF TSET,  
OKLAHOMA SMOKING RATES HAVE DROPPED

**10 X FASTER**

THAN SIMILAR STATES.\*

\*According to an independent study conducted by professors and scientists from the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health and the University of Oklahoma.

42,000



LIVES SAVED

127,000



FEWER  
CURRENT  
SMOKERS

\$1.24



BILLION

IN DIRECT MEDICAL  
COSTS AVOIDED

## Medical Costs In Oklahoma Associated With:

OBESITY

**\$1.72 BILLION**

IN MEDICAL EXPENDITURES

- 1 IN 6 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IS OBESE
- 1 IN 6 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IS OVERWEIGHT
- 1 IN 3 ADULTS IS OBESE

SMOKING

**\$1.62 BILLION**

IN DIRECT HEALTHCARE COSTS

- 7,500 ADULT DEATHS EACH YEAR
- 1,500 KIDS BECOME DAILY SMOKERS EACH YEAR
- \$172 MILLION IS SPENT BY TOBACCO INDUSTRY ANNUALLY TO MARKET TOBACCO IN OKLAHOMA



Through the funding of cancer research, grants focused on health and health communication interventions, TSET is saving lives.