

HELP RESEARCH CIGARETTE BUTT POLLUTION IN SAN DIEGO SOIL



Cigarette butts are the #1 item found during beach and roadway cleanups every year, and they pollute our environment with harmful chemicals and microplastics.

The Policy Research Center for Tobacco and the Environment is accepting 10 community nominations for areas to conduct soil testing for tobacco chemicals.



WHAT YOU CAN DO

To submit a nomination, choose a location in San Diego (park, trail, beach, neighborhood space) and report tobacco product waste that you find there.



Work with a Center team member to:

1. Count tobacco waste
2. Pick it up & dispose safely
3. Repeat after 1 week

Then our team will:

Use your data to select 5 sites to conduct soil testing for tobacco chemical pollution.

Data collection from your two visits must be recorded in the iKickButts app by June 30th, 2026.

VOLUNTEER BENEFITS

Up to **$100** for two cleanup visits at your site.

ELIGIBILITY

- Age 18+
- Access to a smartphone with a camera



INTERESTED? CONTACT US

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Scan the QR code or click HERE for information on submitting nominations and collecting data.

Visit our website at **cte.sdsu.edu** to learn more about the Center.

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