

## Live Smoke Free

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## **Waterstone Place Apartment Building Goes Smoke Free**

*Minnetonka's Waterstone Place offers luxury apartment living in a smoke-free environment*

SAINT PAUL, MINN. – Waterstone Place in Minnetonka, MN, was designed to promote the health and vitality of the area's natural surroundings. On April 1, 2009, the building began implementing a smoke-free policy that will promote the health and vitality of its residents. The smoke-free policy covers the entire property, including all rental units and outdoor grounds. Brenda Hvambal, Director of Marketing for Steven Scott Management, says the company chose to put the smoke-free policy into effect as a way to prevent secondhand smoke exposure in the building. "The health and well being of residents is our top priority. A smoke-free building is safer and contributes to a better living environment," she said.

"We want Waterstone Place to be a home all residents will enjoy," said Hvambal. "In addition to being smoke free, Waterstone Place offers other great amenities for renters." Waterstone's apartments feature nine foot ceilings, cove molding, cherry finish cabinetry, granite islands, and ceramic floors, built-in shelving, full sized washer and dryer, and individually controlled heating and cooling systems. Residents can enjoy a walk by the native wetlands fed by Minnehaha Creek using the community's recreational trail system.

Peri Jo McKay, the Property Manager of Waterstone Place is excited to see the policy go into effect. She commented, "Steven Scott, Inc. is going green, and that it gives us a great opportunity to promote a completely healthy environment for our residents. Waterstone Place is located on a protected wetland, which offers us a wonderful view of our natural resources, so going smoke free was a natural choice."

"Waterstone Place is a beautiful property and the smoke-free policy will enhance their natural, healthy setting. They are doing a wonderful thing for their residents by offering a completely smoke-free living environment," said Carissa Duke, Community Outreach Coordinator for Live Smoke Free—a program that promotes smoke-free apartment living in the Twin Cities.

Waterstone Place is the fourth smoke-free apartment building for Steven Scott Management. Bierman Place is located in Minneapolis near the University of Minnesota and offers a completely smoke-free building for university students. Creekside Apartments in Plymouth is partially smoke free and is in the process of adopting a smoke-free policy for the entire building. The Pointe at River Crossing in St. Paul recently opened smoke free. This year, at least three other Steven Scott communities will be working to become smoke-free.

For more information on Waterstone Place, call 952-988-9800 or visit <http://www.waterstoneplace.net>.

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***About Live Smoke Free:***

Live Smoke Free, a program of the Association for Nonsmokers-Minnesota (ANSR), promotes smoke-free policies for apartment buildings in the Twin Cities metro area. Currently, Minnesota tenants seeking smoke-free multi-unit housing largely outnumber the amount of smoke-free units available. Live Smoke Free educates building owners, managers, tenants, and housing industry professionals about the benefits of smoke-free buildings. Live Smoke Free assists building owners and managers with creating and promoting a smoke-free policy for their property. The program also assists renters in finding solutions to secondhand smoke problems. For more information, go to: [www.mnsmokefreehousing.org](http://www.mnsmokefreehousing.org)

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***About Steven Scott Management:***

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