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**Mississippi Tobacco Free Coalition of Warren and Claiborne County
receives tobacco control grant
from the Mississippi State Department of Health**

Jackson, Miss. – The Mississippi Tobacco Free Coalition of Warren and Claiborne County has received a \$76,000.00 community grant from the Mississippi State Department of Health's (MSDH) Office of Tobacco Control.

Monies from the grant are to be used by Mississippi Tobacco Free Coalition of Warren and Claiborne County to prevent tobacco use, encourage tobacco cessation and eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke among youth and adults in Warren and Claiborne Counties.

Each year, Mississippi spends \$719 million on healthcare costs associated with tobacco use. The goal of MSDH's Office of Tobacco Control is to improve the health of all Mississippians through the elimination of tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke.

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