

Courtesy SAFE Glen Cove

FROM LEFT, SAFE Executive Director Sharon Harris, Lisa Dorfman and TAC LI's Manager Carol Meschkow put together a sign prohibiting smoking on Dorfman's properties.

New smoke-free signs go up

Lisa Dorfman, manager of Dickson Garden Apartments on McLoughlin Street and 28 Pearsall Ave., expanded her Smoke Free Living efforts at the properties with the help of her daughter, Edna Freeman, and the Glen Cove Substance Abuse Free Environment and the Tobacco Action Coalition of Long Island advocacy groups.

SAFE, a non-profit organization provides alcohol and drug prevention services throughout the city. Through its SAFE Glen Cove Coalition, the group engages with the community to eliminate substance abuse among youth and adults.

TAC LI, on the other hand, focuses solely on tobacco awareness and educating teens and young adults on the dangers of smoking and vaping. As a member of the SAFE Glen Cove Coalition, Dorfman received help to install new anti-smoking signs in her properties.

"Besides the obvious health benefits and tenant requests, there are many business reasons that support smoke-free housing including: lower maintenance costs, improved value retention, reduction of risks of fire, lessens tenants conflicts due to drifting smoke and is an environmentally sound practice." Dorfman said.