Each year, more than 480,000 people die prematurely from using tobacco and being exposed to secondhand smoke. That’s more than the entire population of Kansas City, Missouri.
Use the Internet to find the number of people in your town or invite students to research the number on their own. Compare the number of people in your town to the number of people who die prematurely from tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke. Is it more or less? Have students determine how many more or less.