



# Cannabis Control Commission Public Meeting

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June 10, 2025

In accordance with Sections 18-25 of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Cannabis Control Commission. The meeting will take place as noted below.

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**June 12, 2025  
10:00 AM**

**Remote via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)**

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

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- III. Minutes
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  2. FY 2025 Year End Update *Chief Financial and Accounting Officer Lisa Schlegel*
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  4. EquityWorks Career Hub: Platform Overview *Director of Equity Programming and Community Outreach Silea Williams*
- V. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
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  2. BTE, Inc. (#MC283668), Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 11 / Outdoor
  3. Health Circle, Inc. (#MR282585), Marijuana Retailer
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- IX. Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training Renewal Licenses
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- XI. Commission Discussion and Votes
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  2. Open Meeting Law Complaint Determinations and Next Steps *Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins, General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay*
  3. Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents Workplace Safety Program Grant *Director of DIA Sheri Bowles, Director of Administration Bill Taupier, Director of the Office of Safety Maryann Falvey*



4. Executive Session Minutes (*Vote*)

- i. November 25, 2024
- ii. December 4, 2024
- iii. March 13, 2025

XII. Executive Session

*The Commission may enter closed executive session to review executive session meeting minutes pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) and G.L. c. 30A, §§ 22(f), (g)*

XIII. New Business Not Anticipated at the Time of Posting

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CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

March 31, 2025

10:00 AM

In-Person with Remote Access via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Documents:**

- [Meeting Packet](#)

**In Attendance:**

- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins

**Minutes:**

- I. Call to Order
  - The Acting Chair (AC) recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
  - The AC gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
  - The AC gave an overview of the agenda.
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates – 00:01:06
  - Commissioners made no comments in order to take up the regulations immediately.
- III. Commission Discussion and Votes – 00:02:00
  1. Discussion and Review of Draft Regulations
    - Paralegal Rachel Ferrara (Paralegal Ferrara) began reading the redline amendments starting with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6). Commissioner Roy asked if this section allowed for Consumers to purchase Marijuana or Marijuana products and leave the Social Consumption Establishment (SCE) as if it were an Adult or Medical-use Marijuana Establishment (ME). Deputy General Counsel Michael Baker (DGC Baker) explained that this was a policy decision for the board; Commissioners discussed and agreed to circle back to the topic. Paralegal Ferrara continued reading the redline amendments until Commissioner Roy asked if 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(a)2. could be amended so that Marijuana Treatment Centers (MTCs) could apply for a Supplemental License. DGC Baker explained that there were



currently statutory restrictions which prevented MTCs from participating in Social Consumption.

- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 00:46:34.)
- Commissioner Roy asked how other states had handled the issue of medical-access at SCEs and Director of Government Affairs and Policy Matt Giancola (Director Giancola) explained that Illinois, Maryland, Missouri and Michigan allowed for delivery of Cannabis to SCEs, while Colorado allowed Patients to bring their own Medical-use Cannabis. Commissioners discussed how to improve medical-access at SCEs in light of statutory restrictions and agreed to strike 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(a)2. Paralegal Ferrara continued reading the redline amendments and Commissioner Roy requested an edit to include Third-party Transporters in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)1.a. Commissioners discussed and agreed to circle back on the topic. Regarding 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)1.b., Enforcement Counsel Timothy Goodin (EC Goodin) asked if the intent of “Premises” was to indicate an area that was already approved by the Commission. Commissioners discussed with staff and agreed to strike “at a Premises.” Regarding c., DGC Baker stated that he would circulate a new draft with the revisions discussed at the last meeting to strike “or attached to” in similar sections throughout the regulations. He volunteered to work offline with EC Goodin to clarify ownership and control in the same section. Chief of Investigations Nomxolisi Jones (Chief Jones) suggested that DGC Baker and EC Goodin also work on whether c. should use “may” or “shall.” Regarding d., Commissioner Roy asked if “impermeable” went far enough. Commissioners discussed with staff and the AC requested an edit to split 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)1.d. into two separate sections.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 01:51:52.)
- The AC summarized the discussion and Commissioner Roy asked if 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)1.f. allowed for Registered Agents to enter the Consumption Areas during their work hours. DGC Baker noted that Cannabis use while working was prohibited in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.140. Commissioners discussed and agreed to consider the language further when they got to that section. Paralegal Ferrara continued reading the redline amendments and Commissioner Roy requested to circle back on the topic of including Third-party Transporters under 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)2.a. Commissioner Roy asked for clarification on the meaning of “new business” in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)2.c. and discussed with staff. EC Goodin proposed new language to read: “A Hospitality On-site Consumption Licensee or eligible applicant may be located within an existing Non-Cannabis Business.” DGC Baker requested an edit to 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)2.d. to read: “A Hospitality On-site Consumption Licensee shall ensure that the Indoor Smoking Consumption Areas within an existing Non-Cannabis Business are separate from the existing Non-Cannabis Businesses’ operations by having a fully enclosed space approved by the Commission.” Paralegal Ferrara read



the remainder of 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)2. and Commissioners agreed to recess.

- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 03:38:01.)
- Commissioner Camargo noted the breadth of the amendments being considered and reminded listeners that promulgating and implementing them will be a long process. DGC Baker volunteered to work offline on 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(b)2.d. to clarify how the operating hours of the Hospitality On-site Consumption Licensee would work. Commissioners discussed and EC Goodin suggested considering new amendments to make it clear that there would be some Non-Cannabis Businesses such as a daycare which would not be compatible with Social Consumption. Commissioner Roy expressed some concern about products being misplaced at SCEs and being found by a minor and DGC Baker explained that the requirements to avoid that would be reviewed in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141. Director of Investigations Katherine Binkoski (Director Binkoski) noted that her staff had limited bandwidth, and the hours of SCEs may make unannounced inspections difficult.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 04:29:42.)
- Paralegal Ferrara continued to read the redline amendments beginning with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141(6)(c). Commissioner Camargo suggested that the Executive Director (ED) review section 1.a.-g. and Commissioner Roy stated that she wanted to include safeguards in 2. to ensure that data collection occurred in real time. Commissioners agreed to circle back on the topic. Commissioner Camargo asked for any external feedback on the exclusivity period and Policy Analyst Jessica Porter stated that the majority of feedback was supportive of having an exclusivity period greater than 36 months. Paralegal Ferrara continued reading the redline amendments and Commissioners discussed how many months should pass before the exclusivity period for SCEs was evaluated and agreed to change eight to twelve in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(6)(c)2. and to circle back on 3. There were no further requested amendments until 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(8)(a) where Associate General Counsel Phillip Schreffler (AGC Schreffler) requested to change the last “was” with “is”.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 05:20:10.)
- Commissioner Roy requested to circle back to 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(11)(i) as she thought the “Two years” in that section should be “Three years”. Commissioners agreed to circle back on that point and discussed whether 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(11)(j) was necessary and if it should list a Marijuana Event Organizer as a License type that Delivery Operators may operate. They agreed to circle back to the topic.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned 06:12:23.)



- The AC summarized the discussion before the break. Commissioner Roy suggested revisiting after further amendments to the Marijuana Event Organizer License had been added and reiterated her question regarding why 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(11)(j) was necessary. Commissioners discussed with staff and agreed to begin with this section at the next meeting.

IV. Adjournment – 06:32:22

- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

April 10, 2025

10:00 AM

In-Person with Remote Access via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Documents:**

- Application Materials associated with:
  - Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
  - Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses
  - Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
  - Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
- [Meeting Packet](#)
- Connecticut Consumer Protection, Drug Control Division, December 11, 2024, Memorandum

**In Attendance:**

- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins

**Minutes:**

- I. Call to Order
  - The Acting Chair (AC) recognized a quorum, called the meeting to order and stated that Commissioner Concepcion would be joining the meeting shortly.
  - The AC gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
  - The AC gave an overview of the agenda.
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates – 00:02:50
  - Commissioner Camargo stated that she planned to schedule a meeting with Michigan regulators to discuss the Marijuana Event Organizer License type. Commissioner Roy thanked Representative Patricia Duffy, Mayor Joshua Garcia, Licensees and city staff who had met with herself and the AC to discuss next steps with regards to Social Consumption in Holyoke. She discussed budget outreach efforts and stated that she had written a letter in support of Bill S.88, which would promote transparency and



accountability in the industry. The AC discussed meetings in Boston with appointing authorities, as well as with Representatives Daniel Donahue and Michael Soter. He stated that himself and Commissioner Roy had heard from the members of the Massachusetts Cannabis Coalition (MCC) regarding the accounts receivable issue and discussed the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission's platform to address the same problem in their industry. He also noted a visit with Licensee Gan Or in Northampton and meetings with Rhode Island regulators who were preparing to promulgate their own Adult-use regulations.

### III. Minutes for Approval – 00:11:03

- February 25, 2025
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the February 25, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Absent
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission approved the February 25, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes by a vote of three in favor and one absence.
  
- February 27, 2025
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the February 27, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Absent
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission approved the February 27, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes by a vote of three in favor and one absence.
  
- March 13, 2025
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the March 13, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Absent
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes



- The Commission approved the March 13, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes by a vote of three in favor and one absence.
- The AC asked to take up a Change of Ownership first as the Licensee was present and there were no objections.

#### IV. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership – 00:13:23

- Licensing Analyst Jaime Wakefield (Analyst Wakefield) presented on behalf of the Licensing department the Staff Recommendation for Cloud Creamery LLC's Change of Ownership.

##### 1. Cloud Creamery LLC

- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Absent
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission approved the Change of Ownership by a vote of three in favor and one absence.

#### V. Executive Director and Commission Staff Report – 00:15:04

- Executive Director (ED) Travis Ahern discussed the upcoming State of Cannabis Legislative Briefing as well as continued meetings with appointing authorities and legislators. He stated his intent to have a more official presence at NECANN, which Commissioners Camargo and Roy were supportive of. The ED provided a status update on the procurement process for a licensing vendor and stated that he would have more information at the regular May meeting. He discussed the March 27<sup>th</sup> letter from the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) and stated that he would be responding to address the eight recommendations which were made. Commissioner Roy explained that the letter provided an opportunity to advocate for a greater budget to regulate a mature industry. The AC concurred and highlighted that the report had not found any examples of fraud as well as the steps which had been taken to collect provisional fees. Commissioner Concepcion joined the Public Meeting. The ED continued and provided an overview of the progress on Chapter 180 implementation.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 00:56:45.)
- The AC stated that they would be taking the agenda out of order as an external participant was participating.

#### VI. Commission Discussion and Votes – 00:56:45

##### 1. Social Equity Trust Fund Update

- Assistant Secretary Juan Vega with the Executive Office of Economic Development (EOED) presented an update on the status of the Social Equity Trust Fund. Joseph



Gilmour, Program administrator, provided background on the fund and Mr. Vega stated that EOED would provide prospective donors with information about how to donate to the fund on request. Commissioner Roy asked if it would be possible for Point-of-Sale companies to round up costs in Marijuana Establishments (MEs) when purchasing products to donate to the fund and Mr. Vega stated that he would need to check with his finance team. Commissioner Roy asked if the survey associated with License Renewals in MassCIP included information about whether the Licensee had contributed to the fund and Director of Licensing Olivia Koval (Director Koval) indicated that it did.

## VII. Executive Director and Commission Staff Report Continued – 01:11:11

- The ED continued his summary of Chapter 180 deliverables and Commissioner Roy requested a review of pending deliverables to determine if anything needed to be elevated to Commissioners.
1. Annual 4/20 Public Education Campaign
    - Director of Digital and Creative Services AnnMarie Burt (Director Burt) discussed the upcoming 4/20 holiday and the Commission's public education campaigns. She presented the Understanding Labels – More About Marijuana video. Director Burt clarified for Commissioner Concepcion that the video was targeted at intermittent or introductory Consumers, especially older Consumers who may be unfamiliar with different product types. Commissioner Roy suggested considering additional outreach and Director Burt confirmed that she could add links to the video on the patient part of the website and by email to patients.
    - Director Koval presented licensing data and Commissioner Roy requested further data on Cultivators showing the active canopy across the state as well as a list of municipalities which were not a party to any compliant Host Community Agreements (HCAs).

## VIII. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership – 01:45:25

- Analyst Wakefield presented on behalf of the Licensing department the Staff Recommendations for Changes of Ownership, Renewals, Provisionals and Final Licenses.
1. Bask, Inc.
    - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
    - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
    - The AC took a roll call vote:
      - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
      - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
      - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
- 2. Curaleaf North Shore, Inc.
  - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
  - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
- 3. FCC Holdings LLC
  - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
  - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
- 4. Hadleaf Holistic Greens Dispensary
  - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
  - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
- 5. Sira Naturals, Inc.
  - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
  - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.



IX. Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses – 01:51:50

- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the renewal of items numbered 1-20 as indicated on the agenda.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the renewal of items numbered 1-20 as indicated on the agenda.

X. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses – 01:53:27

1. Holbrook Grow, LLC (#MCN283962), Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 3, Indoor
  - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License.
  - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License.

XI. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses – 01:54:54

1. Pure Framingham, Inc. (#MR285279), Marijuana Retailer
  - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Final License.
  - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Final License.

XII. Commission Discussion and Votes – 01:56:14

- The AC suggested taking the agenda out of order and there were no objections.
1. Overview of Hearing Officer Decision Process
    - General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay (GC Chattopadhyay) stated that he brought this topic to provide an overview of the Hearing Officer's (HO's) process. He described how a Notice of Deficiency (NOD) would trigger the administrative



hearing process, run by the HO, and would end with a recommendation being submitted to Commissioners to approve in a Public Meeting. Commissioner Roy requested that the process be outlined in a memorandum and asked if there was a backlog of hearings. GC Chattopadhyay stated that there were 10-15 pending matters. Commissioner Camargo suggested including the whole hearing process in the memorandum that Commissioner Roy requested. Commissioner Concepcion asked about Enforcement's role in the hearing process and GC Chattopadhyay explained that they would submit filings to the HO but would not have any part in preparing or presenting her recommendation. Commissioner Camargo suggested conducting meetings with Commissioners so that they were all familiar with the process.

- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 03:05:00.)

## 2. METRC Retail ID Presentation

- Commissioner Roy explained that she had brought this topic to introduce Licensees to new features of Metrc. David Eagleson, Vice President of Product for Metrc, described how they had seen Consumers across the country who wanted more transparency regarding Cannabis, which had driven them to develop Retail ID, a QR code that provides supplemental product information. He went over the features such as proof of authenticity, product recalls and supplemental product information and confirmed that Licensees could use their existing printers to print out Retail ID labels. Commissioner Concepcion asked if Metrc had considered someone potentially using the QR codes for diversion and Mr. Eagleson explained that each QR code was unique, and anyone would need access to Metrc to generate one and, once generated, the product indicated by a given QR code could not be updated. Mr. Eagleson walked through the workflow and how the product could be implemented by Licensees. Commissioner Camargo asked if there were costs for implementing Retail ID and Mr. Eagleson confirmed there was no cost for Licensees. Commissioner Roy explained that her reason for bringing this topic before the board was to increase transparency and to make Certificates of Analysis (COAs) more available to Consumers. She further explained that other states required that products which had been remediated be indicated on the product's label and making that information available through Retail ID could be a good middle ground.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 04:22:08.)

## 3. Administrative Order Requiring Licensees to Upload Certificates of Analysis in METRC

- The AC stated that this matter was not up for a vote at the day's meeting. Commissioner Roy explained that she had brought this matter for discussion to improve transparency and public health. She stated that, as a Registered Caretaker, she had experienced issues accessing COAs. Interim Director of Testing Timothy Barwise (Interim Director Barwise) explained that the Administrative Order would require Licensees to upload COAs to Metrc at the same time that they uploaded test results; standardize data reporting on the COA; and disclose any kill steps or remediation which occurred. He clarified for Commissioner Camargo that the kill step disclosure was neutral in terms of whether it was positive or negative, but solely



to increase transparency for Consumers. Commissioner Roy read from a memorandum from the Connecticut Consumer Protection's Drug Control Division requiring similar practices and confirmed that there was a 60-day window for implementation after the order was executed. Chief Jones stated that there was currently no template for COAs and that her department was working on creating one. Commissioner Camargo asked if there could be any unintended consequences and Chief Jones explained that this order was a part of her department's work on updating the testing regulations and, while there would be questions, this had been in development for a long time. Commissioner Camargo requested further meetings offline with staff. Commissioners discussed the Administrative Order with staff and decided to resume the conversation at a future meeting.

- The AC suggested tabling the Delivery to Consumers in Restricted Municipalities Opt-In Template Form discussion until the next regular Public Meeting and there were no objections.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 05:52:16.)

#### 4. Executive Director Goals for CY 2025

- The ED explained that the purpose of this discussion was to develop near-term as well as year-long goals, noting that some of these would be dependent on funding. For near-term goals, he listed the completion of the Governance Charter, budget advocacy, schedule a meeting of the Cannabis Advisory Board (CAB), collaborate with Commissioners and staff in the implementation of Chapter 180, and establish a working group to ensure the long-term success of the Medical-use Program. Commissioner Roy volunteered to participate in the working group and Commissioner Concepcion asked if she could be involved due to her familiarity with vertical integration. For long-term goals, the ED listed continued collaboration with Independent Testing Laboratories (ITLs), making the Commission a model for modern inclusive government in terms of culture, take the necessary steps to create the Center for Cannabis Research and Policy, expand the open data platform, enhance efforts to track ongoing developments in the Adult-use industries to inform policy decisions, develop an actionable five year strategic plan for equity programs, partner with Commissioners to develop regulatory amendments, partner with the Joint Committee on Cannabis to collaborate on policy matters, complete the promulgation of Social Consumption regulations, and to evaluate the organizational structure of the Commission to maximize efficiency. The AC stated that these goals would be voted on at a future Public Meeting.

#### XIII. New Business Not Anticipated at the Time of Posting – 06:22:14

- The AC stated that there was no new business which was not anticipated at the time of posting.

#### XIV. Executive Session – 06:22:29

- Commissioner Camargo moved to enter closed Executive Session under G. L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation



because the open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body.

- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.
- The AC stated that the Commission would adjourn from Executive Session.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**April 16, 2025  
10:00 AM**

**In-Person with Remote Access via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)**

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Documents:**

- N/A

**In Attendance:**

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- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins

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  - The AC gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
  - The AC gave an overview of the agenda.
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates – 00:01:19
  - Commissioners thanked staff for their work preparing for the day's meeting.
- III. Commission Discussion and Votes – 00:03:57
  1. Discussion and Review of Draft Regulations
    - Deputy General Counsel Michael Baker (DGC Baker) began by reviewing technical amendments beginning with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(2)(g)9. Commissioners agreed to take a recess to confirm they were working off the same version of the document.
    - The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 00:36:00.)
    - Paralegal Rachel Ferrara (Paralegal Ferrara) began reading the redline amendments beginning with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)1. Commissioner Roy requested to strike “provided however, that” from 1. DGC Baker proposed a new second clause



to read: “The applicant for a Social Consumption Establishment License may select either a Supplemental On-site Consumption License, a Hospitality On-site Consumption License, or a Marijuana Event Organizer License.” and there were no objections. DGC Baker requested to skip 2. through 4. and there were no further amendments until 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)6. where Director of Investigations Katherine Binkoski (Director Binkoski) requested to add “or structural change as applicable.” at the end. Regarding this section, Commissioner Roy expressed concern that Supplemental On-Site Consumption Licensees with Indoor Non-Smoking Consumption Areas could face issues on the sales floor where retail and Social Consumption commingled. Commissioners discussed and agreed to circle back to the topic. Regarding 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)7., Commissioner Roy requested that language from 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141 be carried over to clarify that Licensees may transfer product from their retail License to their Supplemental On-site Consumption License. Commissioners agreed to strike 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)8. due to statutory restrictions on Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (MTCs). Paralegal Ferrara continued reading the redline amendments and Commissioners agreed to strike the first clause in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)9.a. as well as “if permitted”. Commissioner Roy requested that a citation to 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141 be included in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)9.d. and Enforcement Counsel Timothy Goodin (EC Goodin) suggested swapping “before beginning work” with “prior to performing job functions”. EC Goodin suggested revising 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.110(9)(a) and striking 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)9.e. to ensure that all Marijuana Establishments (MEs) were required to report any medical emergencies. Commissioners discussed how to appropriately require Social Consumption Establishments (SCEs) to limit their staff’s exposure to second-hand smoke and DGC Baker stated he would work on this offline. DGC Baker proposed a new 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)9.f.ii to read: “Indoor Smoking Consumption Areas are a separated and a fully enclosed space approved by the Commission, with a secure door, with access to the Indoor Smoking Consumption Areas only from the licensed Premises.”

- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 02:11:03.)
- Commissioners continued discussing how to limit employees’ contact with second-hand smoke and DGC Baker volunteered to work offline with EC Goodin to prepare updated language. Commissioners discussed DGC Baker’s proposed 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)9.f.ii and agreed to circle back to it after a recess.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 03:24:43.)
- The AC summarized the discussion and Commissioner Camargo asked for clarification on what was meant by “with access only from the Social Consumption Establishment.” DGC Baker explained that the intent was to prevent access from any point other than the SCE. Commissioners discussed and Chief of Investigations and Enforcement Nomxolisi Jones (Chief Jones) suggested that the sentence end with



- “with access limited only from the licensed Premises.” Commissioners discussed and decided on “Indoor Smoking Consumption Areas are a separated and fully enclosed space approved by the Commission with entry access limited from the licensed Premises.” Commissioner Roy volunteered to assist with the worker safety section and circle back to it at a future meeting. Regarding iv. Director Binkoski suggested replacing “eliminate” with “mitigate”. Commissioner Roy asked if this section should identify “dust” as something that should be filtered by the Consumption Area’s filtration system and Commissioner Camargo suggested that she work offline with staff to determine how other states had handled the issue. Regarding proposed 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(3)(i)9.g.i, the AC requested to replace “are isolated” with “shall be separated” and Director Binkoski suggested replacing “secure door” with “with entry access limited from the licensed Premises”. DGC Baker noted that he would be working on this section and the next to incorporate earlier amendments. The AC requested to replace “eliminate” with “mitigate” in iv. In the same section, EC Goodin suggested including “identify” before “the steps taken by”.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 04:47:03.)
  - Commissioners discussed the process of creating advisory groups to update Responsible Vendor Trainor (RVT) regulations. Paralegal Ferrara picked up reading the redline amendments in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.105(2)(b)8. and DGC Baker stated that he would replace “prior to working in” and strike “Licensee” after “Social Consumption Establishment”. Commissioner Roy asked how Event Organizers would be impacted by this section and if there were required ratios for staff attendees at large events. Commissioners discussed the Social Consumption Core Curriculum requirements for Marijuana Event Organizers and agreed to circle back to the topic. Regarding 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.105(6)(c)2.c., Commissioner Roy asked if the same practices should be applied to edibles. Commissioners discussed and agreed to circle back to the topic.
  - The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 05:45:46.)
  - The AC moved to 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141 and gave an overview of its intent. Commissioner Roy requested an edit to 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141(2), to include that “packaging” was one of the procedures which SCEs would need written policies and procedures for. Commissioner Roy asked if section (a) should reference inversion, and the AC suggested that EC Goodin work offline to develop a definition and to include it throughout the regulations where diversion is referenced. Commissioner Concepcion noted that the citation to 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141(8) in this section should reference (9). Commissioners discussed whether the requirement to provide menus to Consumers in 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.141(2)(b) was duplicative and Commissioner Roy suggested an edit to read: “... a Social Consumption Establishment License shall include a QR Code and either a menu, label, supplementary insert given to the Consumer with the following information...” EC Goodin suggested designating commonly spoken languages to clarify the regulations.



- IV. New Business Not Anticipated at Time of Posting – 06:21:36
- The AC stated that there was no new business which was not anticipated at the time of posting.
- V. Next Meeting Date – 06:21:47
- The AC stated that the next meeting was scheduled for April 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.
- VI. Adjournment – 06:22:24
- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
  - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.



**Jolly Green Inc.**  
**0312-COO-03-0325**

**CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW**

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Jolly Green Inc. |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | N/A              |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>License Type</b>  |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| MC281283              | Marijuana Cultivator |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Individual</b> | <b>Role</b>                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Nicholas Memmolo  | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Entity</b>          | <b>Role</b>                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Legacy Cultivators LLC | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.



## RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



## The Fresh Connection Boston, LLC 0285-COO-02-0724

### CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                                  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | The Fresh Connection Boston, LLC |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| License Number | License Type                                        |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| MC281442       | Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.) |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| Individual     | Role                                   |
|----------------|----------------------------------------|
| Patrick Filler | Persons Having Direct/Indirect Control |
| Shawn Liu      | Persons Having Direct/Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| Entity              | Role                                  |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Fresh Holdings, LLC | Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.



## RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



## MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT RENEWALS

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COMMISSION MEETING: JUNE 12, 2025

#### **RENEWAL OVERVIEW**

1. Name, license number, renewal application number, host community, and funds deriving from a Host Community Agreement allocated for the municipality for each Marijuana Establishment presented for renewal:

|    | Licensee Name                           | License Number | Renewal Application Number | Location     |
|----|-----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| 1  | 876 Grow Inc                            | MB282362       | MBR169352                  | Holyoke      |
| 2  | Alternative Therapies Group II, Inc.    | MR281346       | MRR206953                  | Amesbury     |
| 3  | Bada Bloom!, Inc.                       | MC283393       | MCR140923                  | Tyngsborough |
| 4  | CastleLeaf, LLC                         | MP282158       | MPR244296                  | Boston       |
| 5  | CastleLeaf, LLC                         | MR284521       | MRR207168                  | Boston       |
| 6  | CNA Stores, Inc.                        | MR281744       | MRR207236                  | Haverhill    |
| 7  | Enlite Cannabis Dispensary, LLC         | MR284651       | MRR207226                  | Springfield  |
| 8  | GreenSoul Organics, Inc.                | MR284855       | MRR207239                  | Cambridge    |
| 9  | Hadleaf Holistic Greens Dispensary LLC. | MR284228       | MRR206793                  | Hadley       |
| 10 | Holistic Industries, Inc.               | MR282667       | MRR207250                  | Springfield  |
| 11 | Hudson Botanical Processing, LLC        | MC282581       | MCR140928                  | Hudson       |
| 12 | Ideal Craft Cannabis, Inc.              | MC283286       | MCR140925                  | Uxbridge     |
| 13 | INDICA LLC                              | MR284431       | MRR207263                  | Adams        |
| 14 | Nuestra, LLC                            | MR281469       | MRR206908                  | Cambridge    |
| 15 | Toy Town Project, LLC                   | MR281782       | MRR207252                  | Winchendon   |

2. All licensees have submitted renewal applications pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(4) which include the licensee's disclosure of their progress or success towards their Positive Impact and Diversity Plans.



3. All licensees have submitted documentation of good standing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Department of Revenue, and Department of Unemployment Assistance, if applicable.
4. All licensees provided a compliant HCA or HCA Waiver, that was accepted by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3).
5. All licensees have paid the appropriate annual license fee.
6. The licensees, when applicable, have been inspected during the current renewal period.
7. Commission staff certify that, to the best of our knowledge, no information has been found that would prevent renewal of the licenses mentioned above pursuant to 935 CMR 500.450.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the above-mentioned licenses applying for renewal, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the licensee remaining in compliance with the Commission regulations and applicable law.



## MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER RENEWALS

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COMMISSION MEETING: JUNE 12, 2025

#### **RENEWAL OVERVIEW**

1. Name, license number, host community, for each Medical Marijuana Treatment Center presented for renewal:

|    | Licensee Name        | License Number | Host Community (Cultivation) | Host Community (Dispensing) |
|----|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 16 | ARL Healthcare, Inc. | RMD225         | Quincy                       | Quincy                      |
| 17 | In Good Health, Inc. | RMD105         | Brockton                     | Brockton                    |

2. All licensees have submitted renewal applications pursuant to 935 CMR 501.100(5).
3. All licensees have paid the appropriate annual license fee.
4. All licensees provided a compliant HCA or HCA Waiver, that was accepted by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3).
5. The licensees, when applicable, have been inspected during the current renewal period.
6. Commission staff certify that, to the best of our knowledge, no information has been found that would prevent renewal of the licenses mentioned above pursuant to 935 CMR 501.405.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the above-mentioned licenses applying for renewal, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the licensee remaining in compliance with the Commission regulations and applicable law.



## Alternative Compassion Services, Inc.

MR285029

### ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

|                                |                                           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Alternative Compassion Services, Inc.     |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | ACS                                       |
| <b>Licensed Location:</b>      | 175 George Washinton Blvd, Hull, MA 02045 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Retailer             |

3. The licensee is associated with the following license type(s):

| Type                            | Status              | Location                |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Marijuana Product Manufacturing | Provisional License | Bridgewater             |
| Marijuana Retail                | Commence Operations | Bridgewater             |
| MTC                             | Commence Operations | Bridgewater-Bridgewater |
| MTC                             | Commence Operations | Bridgewater-Hull        |

### LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on March 27, 2025.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

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## **INSPECTION OVERVIEW**

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): May 1, 2025.
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the licensee was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation



The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



**BTE, Inc.**  
MC283668

**ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW**

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

|                                |                                    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | BTE, Inc.                          |
| <b>Licensed Location:</b>      | 129 Grant St, Plainfield, MA 01070 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                                                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b>                                     |
| Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 11, Outdoor, (90,001 – 100,000 sq. ft.) |

3. The licensee is associated with the following license type(s):

The licensee is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

**LICENSING OVERVIEW**

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on April 7, 2022.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

**INSPECTION OVERVIEW**

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): May 7, 2025.



9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the licensee was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Cultivation Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all cultivation operations were in compliance with the Commission's regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Seed-to-sale tracking;
- ii. Compliance with applicable pesticide laws and regulations; and
- iii. Best practices to limit contamination.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:



1. The licensee may cultivate, harvest, possess, and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



## Health Circle, Inc.

MR282585

### **ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW**

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

|                                |                                            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Health Circle, Inc.                        |
| <b>Licensed Location:</b>      | 120 Enterprise Drive, Marshfield, MA 02050 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Retailer             |

3. The licensee is associated with the following license type(s):

| Type                                                            | Status              | Location |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Marijuana Retail                                                | Commence Operations | Rockland |
| Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 2/Indoor<br>(5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.) | Commence Operations | Rockland |

### **LICENSING OVERVIEW**

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on February 9, 2023.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

### **INSPECTION OVERVIEW**

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8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): May 5, 2025.
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the licensee was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

## **RECOMMENDATION**



Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



## Pure Tewksbury, Inc.

MR284994

### **ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW**

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

|                                |                                        |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Pure Tewksbury, Inc.                   |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | Smyth Cannabis Co                      |
| <b>Licensed Location:</b>      | 1695 Shawsheen St, Tewksbury, MA 01876 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Retailer             |

3. The licensee is associated with the following license type(s):

The licensee is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

### **LICENSING OVERVIEW**

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on February 8, 2024.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

### **INSPECTION OVERVIEW**

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): May 15, 2025.

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9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the licensee was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:



1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



## Core Empowerment, LLC

MRN285081

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

|                                         |                                          |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>License Applicant Business Name:</b> | Core Empowerment, LLC                    |
| <b>License Applicant d/b/a Name:</b>    | Seed                                     |
| <b>Proposed Location:</b>               | 500 Medford Street, Somerville, MA 02145 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Retailer             |

3. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

| Type             | Status              | Location |
|------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Marijuana Retail | Commence Operations | Boston   |

4. List of all required individuals and their roles:

| Individual      | Role                                                        |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| April Arrasate  | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Kristen Picard  | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Sarah LaBranche | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |

5. List of all required entities and their roles:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this license applicant business.

6. License Applicant's Status:

Expedited Applicant (Woman-Owned Business)



7. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement (“HCA”) on October 15, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.
8. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on April 7, 2025 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or by-laws.
9. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposed to educate the community about the historical and cultural impacts of cannabis through its operation of the Museum, which will be staffed twenty percent (20%) by individuals from Boston ADIs and/or Massachusetts residents who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past drug convictions |
| 2 | The license applicant proposed to hire, in a legal non-discriminatory manner, at least 10% of its employees from Boston ADIs and/or Massachusetts residents who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past drug convictions                                                                                                  |
| 3 | The license applicant proposed to host a minimum of 12 hours of informational programs annually for residents of Boston’s ADIs and/or Massachusetts residents who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past drug convictions                                                                                                |

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

10. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
11. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW**

12. The license applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission’s regulations.
13. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposed to hire the following: 70% Women, 20% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 50% Veterans, 10% Persons with Disabilities, and 20% LGBTQ+ People. |



|   |                                                                                                                                               |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2 | The license applicant proposed to offer 100% of the Company's opportunities for advancement to management and executive positions internally. |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

### **PROVISIONAL LICENSE CONDITIONS**

Commission staff has reviewed the application for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and are presenting it for the Commission's review and vote.

1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.



## Massachusetts Caregivers, LLC

MDA1291

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

|                                         |                                         |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>License Applicant Business Name:</b> | Massachusetts Caregivers, LLC           |
| <b>Proposed Location:</b>               | 405 Deerfield St., Greenfield, MA 01301 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator    |

3. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

The license applicant is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

4. The license applicant was pre-certified by the Commission on November 8, 2021. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101(2)(b)(2), the applicant demonstrated a propensity to successfully operate a license.

5. List of all required individuals and their roles:

| Individual        | Role                                                        |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Michael Thomasson | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |

6. List of all required entities and their roles:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this license applicant business.

7. License Applicant's Status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Program Participant)  
Michael Thomasson / 100% Ownership / SE303999)



8. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement (“HCA”) on January 17, 2025. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA Waiver that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on March 23, 2025 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or by-laws.
10. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to hire 50% of individuals from the following Commission identified Areas of Disproportionate Impact: Greenfield, Social Equity Participants, MA Residents with Past Drug Convictions, and/or MA Residents with Parents or Spouses with Past Drug Convictions]. |
| 2 | The license applicant proposed to donate \$1,000 to the Social Equity Fund.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

11. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW**

13. The license applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission’s regulations.
14. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 30% Women, 30% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 30% Veterans, 30% Persons with Disabilities, and 30% LGBTQ+ People. |
| 2 | The license applicant proposes to have 100% of diverse employees shadow and then be offered an opportunity to be promoted into positions of management or beyond entry-level positions within one (1) year.                               |



|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3 | The license applicant proposes to have an employee promotion goal wherein at least 50% of the employees who receive promotions within our first year of operations are diverse, with a breakdown of 50% women, 50% minorities, 50% veterans, 50% LGBTQ+, and 50% persons with disabilities. |
| 4 | The license applicant proposes to engage with wholesale partners, vendors, and contractors from the SDOs list who are 15% minority-owned, 25% women-owned, 10% disabled-owned, 10% contractors and vendors who are veteran-owned, and 10% LGBTQ+-owned.                                     |

### **PROVISIONAL LICENSE CONDITIONS**

Commission staff has reviewed the application for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and are presenting it for the Commission's review and vote.

1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.



## Peak Collective LLC

MRN285297

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

|                                         |                                                |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <b>License Applicant Business Name:</b> | Peak Collective LLC                            |
| <b>Proposed Location:</b>               | 325 Stockbridge Rd, Great Barrington, MA 01230 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Retailer             |

3. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

The license applicant is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

4. List of all required individuals and their roles:

| Individual        | Role                                                        |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| David Ross        | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control                       |
| Christopher Lynch | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control                       |
| George Heck       | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |

5. List of all required entities and their roles:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this license applicant business.

6. License Applicant's Status:

General Applicant

7. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement ("HCA") on November 18, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on

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or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.

8. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on March 4, 2025 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or by-laws.
9. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                        |
|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to give hiring preference to qualified employees from North Adams and Pittsfield.                            |
| 2 | The license applicant proposed to donate at least \$5,000, annually, to the Thanksgiving Angels Charity of Pittsfield.                      |
| 3 | The license applicant proposed to create a local internship program with Berkshire Community College in Pittsfield for students 21 years +. |

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

10. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
11. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW**

12. The license applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
13. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 50% Women, 10% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 10% Veterans, 10% Persons with Disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ+ People. |
| 2 | The license applicant proposes to create and maintain a safe, accepting and respectful work environment where every employee, contractor and visitor feels safe, respected, welcomed, comfortable, supported and accepted.                |
| 3 | The license applicant proposes to contract with 25% of its vendors who are SEP.                                                                                                                                                           |

### **PROVISIONAL LICENSE CONDITIONS**



Commission staff has reviewed the application for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and are presenting it for the Commission's review and vote.

1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.



## Resinate, Inc.

RMDA4121

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

|                                         |                                            |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>License Applicant Business Name:</b> | Resinate, Inc.                             |
| <b>Proposed Cultivation Location:</b>   | 120 Gilboa Street, Douglas, MA 01516       |
| <b>Proposed Manufacturing Location:</b> | 120 Gilboa Street, Douglas, MA 01516       |
| <b>Proposed Dispensary Location:</b>    | 110 Pleasant Street, Northampton, MA 01060 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                    |
|------------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b>     |
| Medical Marijuana Treatment Center |

3. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

| Type                                                          | Status              | Location          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Marijuana Retail                                              | Commence Operations | Worcester         |
| Marijuana Retail                                              | Commence Operations | Northampton       |
| Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 3/Indoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft.) | Commence Operations | Douglas           |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                                | Provisional License | Douglas           |
| MTC                                                           | Commence Operations | Douglas-Worcester |

4. List of all required individuals and their roles:

| Individual       | Role                                                        |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Michael Vann     | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Luis Pedro       | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Peter DeCaro     | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Lisa Kirby-Gibbs | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Matthew Allison  | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |

5. List of all required entities and their roles:

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| Entity                            | Role                                                        |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Springfield Investment Group, LLC | Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Mass Flower Power, LLC            | Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| Polman Investments, LLC           | Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |

6. License Applicant's Status:

General Applicant

7. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement ("HCA") on November 24, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 501.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.
8. The license applicant and the second host community executed a Host Community Agreement ("HCA") on November 4, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA Waiver that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 501.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on March 27, 2025 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or by-laws.
10. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to hire donate up to \$3,000 in annual donations to community organizations, specifically, Jeremiah's Inn, Summer Jam Classic, and Planting the Seed Foundation. |
| 2 | The license applicant proposes to provide industry-specific services to Economic Empowerment and Social Equity Applicants semi-annually.                                                        |

### BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

11. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

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13. The license applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
14. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 35 Women, 11 People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 1 Veterans, 7 Persons with Disabilities, and 2 LGBTQ+ People. |
| 2 | The license applicant proposes to donate \$10,000 in annual funds to support community organizations.                                                                                                                             |

### **PROVISIONAL LICENSE CONDITIONS**

Commission staff has reviewed the application for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and are presenting it for the Commission's review and vote.

1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.



## Bud Education

DCCR794122

### RESPONSIBLE VENDOR TRAINING (“RVT”) TRAINER RENEWAL SUMMARY

1. Name, address, and contact information of the RVT trainer:

| Item                       | Information                                                          |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RVT Trainer Name           | Kristi Talagan                                                       |
| RVT Certification Number   | DCC462216/DCCR794122                                                 |
| RVT Trainer d/b/a Name     | Bud Education                                                        |
| RVT Address                | 21 Farrington Ave, Saugus MA 01906                                   |
| RVT Business Phone Number  | (781) 429-7540                                                       |
| RVT Business Email Address | <a href="mailto:kristi@budeducation.com">kristi@budeducation.com</a> |
| RVT Business Website       | <a href="http://www.budeducation.com">www.budeducation.com</a>       |

2. The RVT trainer has submitted a renewal application to continue to provide a training program for Delivery Core Curriculum.
3. No owner, manager, or employee of the RVT trainer is a Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control of a Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center. The following is a list of all required individuals disclosed:

| Individual     | Role  |
|----------------|-------|
| Kristi Talagan | Owner |

### OVERVIEW OF TRAINING PROGRAM

4. The RVT trainer was originally certified on August 10, 2023. Since that time, or the time of its last renewal, the RVT trainer has provided instruction to 239 Marijuana Establishment and Medical Marijuana Treatment Center agents.
5. The RVT trainer’s program presents both in-person and virtual models.
6. The RVT trainer has continued to demonstrate the following:
  - a. Verify the identification and certify completion of the RVT program for each agent;
  - b. Track trainees' time needed to complete the course training;

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- c. Allow the trainees to ask questions of the RVT trainer; and
- d. To evaluate each trainee's proficiency with course material.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommends the RVT trainer listed above be approved for renewal for a two-year certification to provide its training program with the following conditions:

1. The RVT trainer shall ensure all training materials reflect current Commission regulations.
2. The RVT trainer shall remain fully compliant with all applicable Commission regulations.

This recommendation is based on the review and evaluations of required materials and information submitted to the Commission.



## Green CulturED

DCCR794120

### RESPONSIBLE VENDOR TRAINING (“RVT”) TRAINER RENEWAL SUMMARY

1. Name, address, and contact information of the RVT trainer:

| Item                       | Information                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RVT Trainer Name           | Evan Erickson                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| RVT Certification Number   | DCC462233/DCCR794120                                                                                                                                                                          |
| RVT Trainer d/b/a Name     | Green CulturED                                                                                                                                                                                |
| RVT Address                | 4050 Pennsylvania Avenue Suite 115 – 3 Kansas City, MO 64111                                                                                                                                  |
| RVT Business Phone Number  | (720) 446-8847                                                                                                                                                                                |
| RVT Business Email Address | <a href="mailto:Info@GreenCulturED.co">Info@GreenCulturED.co</a>                                                                                                                              |
| RVT Business Website       | <a href="https://greencultured.co/product-category/country-specific/united-states/massachusetts/">https://greencultured.co/product-category/country-specific/united-states/massachusetts/</a> |

2. The RVT trainer has submitted a renewal application to continue to provide a training program for Delivery Core Curriculum.
3. No owner, manager, or employee of the RVT trainer is a Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control of a Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center. The following is a list of all required individuals disclosed:

| Individual    | Role               |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Evan Erickson | Controlling Person |

### OVERVIEW OF TRAINING PROGRAM

4. The RVT trainer was originally certified on August 10, 2023. Since that time, or the time of its last renewal, the RVT trainer has not provided instructions to any Marijuana Establishment and Medical Marijuana Treatment Center agents.
5. The RVT trainer’s program presents both in-person and virtual models.
6. The RVT trainer has continued to demonstrate the following:

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- a. Verify the identification and certify completion of the RVT program for each agent;
- b. Track trainees' time needed to complete the course training;
- c. Allow the trainees to ask questions of the RVT trainer; and
- d. To evaluate each trainee's proficiency with course material.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommends the RVT trainer listed above be approved for renewal for a two-year certification to provide its training program with the following conditions:

1. The RVT trainer shall ensure all training materials reflect current Commission regulations.
2. The RVT trainer shall remain fully compliant with all applicable Commission regulations.

This recommendation is based on the review and evaluations of required materials and information submitted to the Commission.



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## Memorandum

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**To:** Commissioners  
**Cc:** Travis Ahern, Executive Director  
**From:** Matt Giancola, Director of Government Affairs and Policy  
**Date:** June 12, 2025  
**Subject:** **June 2025 Government Affairs Update**

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### Legislative Update

Chair Bruce Stebbins, Executive Director Travis Ahern, and Government Affairs and Policy staff met with Speaker Ron Mariano to discuss upcoming work the Commission plans to engage in.

Chair Bruce Stebbins, Executive Director Travis Ahern, and Government Affairs and Policy staff met with staff from the Office of Sen. Liz Miranda to share general updates in the Commission's work and social consumption policy.

Chair Bruce Stebbins, Executive Director Travis Ahern, Legal, and Government Affairs and Policy staff met with Chair Daniel Donahue to discuss upcoming work the Commission plans to engage in.

### Executive Update

Chair Bruce Stebbins and Commission staff met with Supplier Diversity Office Executive Director Bonnie Borch-Rote to discuss the Commission's diversity requirements and commitment to further collaboration between the two agencies.

### Municipal Update

#### **Municipal Law Unit**

The Attorney General's Municipal Law Unit (MLU) did not issue any marijuana related decisions this past month.



# Guidance on Positive Impact Plans

*Revised by the Commission: June 12, 2025*

## Purpose

The purpose of this guidance is to provide information to assist applicants with the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission's (Commission) requirement to submit a plan to positively impact people disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition (Positive Impact Plan). This guidance is not legal advice. If you have questions regarding the legal requirements for licensure and renewal in the Commonwealth, you are encouraged to consult an attorney.

## Diagram: People Disproportionately Harmed by Cannabis Prohibition



## Legal Background and Basis

The Commission is charged by state law to adopt procedures and policies to promote and encourage full participation in the regulated cannabis industry by individuals from communities disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and enforcement and to positively impact those communities. M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4.

As part of that mandate, the Commission requires every applicant or licensee to develop a Positive Impact Plan aligned with this objective.

## Disproportionately Harmed People

Every applicant or licensee must submit its own Positive Impact Plan to invest in people and communities who have been disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition, specifically the six populations defined by the Commission (see diagram on previous page). When this guidance refers to disproportionately harmed people, it refers to these six populations (also listed below).

The first step for the applicant or licensee is to decide who the plan is intended to benefit, so that the plan is tailored to the goals, programs, and measurements of that specific group. **The six identified populations of disproportionately harmed people that the Positive Impact Plan should be tailored to are the following:**

Past or present residents of the geographic “disproportionately impacted areas,” which have been defined by the Commission and identified in its Guidance for Identifying Areas of Disproportionate Impact. Note that some disproportionately impacted geographic locations are cities or towns, and others are neighborhoods identified by census tracts. The designation of these areas will be re-evaluated periodically.

1. Commission-designated Certified Economic Empowerment Priority recipients;
2. Commission-designated Social Equity Program participants;
3. Commission-designated Social Equity Businesses;
4. Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions; and
5. Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have drug convictions.

Applicants are required to demonstrate a minimum of two goals relating to the groups identified above.



## Elements of a Plan

As part of an extensive review of application materials, the Commission will assess the Positive Impact Plan to make sure it includes the following:

1. Goals: the desired outcomes of the plan;
2. Programs: detailed actions, activities, or processes that will be utilized or implemented to achieve the outlined goals; and
3. Measurements: specific metrics that will be implemented to assess the progress and success of the program.

Each plan should follow this format to comply with the Commission's regulations. See 935 CMR 500.101(1). Miscellaneous, extraneous, or additional information unrelated to the goals, programs, and measurements of each plan is not necessary and should not be included in the submission. Applicants and Licensees may opt to publish their Positive Impact Plan on their business website.

The following sections will provide guidance on expectations, examples, and additional state requirements that should be included in the licensee's Positive Impact Plan. The examples provided below are not an exhaustive list and applicants are encouraged to be innovative while remaining compliant with the Commission's regulations and any other applicable laws.

## Goals

Each applicant or licensee must establish specific goals that will make a positive impact on one or more of the six groups of people as identified above. Each plan must clearly list and describe these goals. Applicants and licensees are encouraged to develop their own goals, especially by considering input from the disproportionately harmed people and/or communities that the plan is intended to impact.

Equity-focused goals are intentional, measurable commitments designed to address systemic barriers and create meaningful opportunities for individuals and communities disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition and enforcement. These goals should advance economic empowerment, increase access to industry participation, and promote sustainable, long-term benefits for historically marginalized groups. By centering equity in business practices, applicants and licensees can foster inclusive growth, support workforce development, and contribute to broader efforts aimed at correcting past injustices. Effective equity-focused goals are data-driven, actionable, and responsive to the specific needs of the communities they are intended to uplift.

Some examples of equity-focused goals include, but are not limited to, the following:



1. Reducing barriers to entry in the commercial adult-use cannabis industry for disproportionately harmed people (specifically list which barriers the plan intends to reduce);
2. Providing mentoring, professional, and technical services for disproportionately harmed people (specifically list the services the plan will offer);
3. Providing business assets or other benefits for disproportionately harmed people (specifically list the benefits the plan will provide); or
4. Donating to the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund that is administered by the Executive Office of Economic Development (EOED), per 935 CMR 500.101 (1) (a)11.

## **Programs**

Each applicant or licensee should develop specific programs to accomplish its stated goals to positively impact disproportionately harmed people and clearly describe the proposed programs in the plan. Please be as specific as possible. Applicants and licensees are discouraged from creating plans that consist solely of donation-based activities.

You should develop and individualize your own programs to reach your goals. Some examples of programs are listed and described below. To prioritize the sentiment, reflections, and perspectives of the people most affected by cannabis prohibition and enforcement, the first four program examples below are those most commonly identified by recent Social Equity Program Participants as activities that cannabis businesses should initiate or fund, in the order they were preferred.

### **Providing grant funding or providing low-interest loans**

This could be accomplished by providing debt and/or equity funding to help businesses founded by disproportionately harmed people, who have limited net worth and access to traditional sources of capital, meet start-up and working capital needs. This funding may take the form of investment vehicles including, but not limited to: standard debt instruments; convertible debt instruments; or equity investment pools with other enterprises.

### **Donating to the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund**

Applicants and licensees may satisfy their Positive Impact Plan requirement, in part, by donating to the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund at any time once licensed. For more information and logistics on how to complete donations please contact EOED or visit the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund [webpage](#).



### **Creating accelerator or incubator programs**

Applicants and licensees could consider launching or supporting accelerator or incubator programs for disproportionately harmed communities. Such programs could provide grants; access and introductions to potential sources of capital; cultivation, manufacturing, or retail space; management training or other forms of industry-specific technical training; mentorship from experts; formation of peer support groups; and other benefits that comply with the Commission’s regulations with respect to limitations on ownership and control.

### **Providing educational sessions and record sealing/expungement services**

Collaborations with an educational institution, such as a community college, could provide knowledge and information about the cannabis industry and practical skills relevant to the industry to disproportionately harmed people. Educational events with nonprofit organizations could also make a positive impact. For both types of education, applicants and licensees should document how the programs benefit disproportionately harmed people specifically. Often, educational sessions include a record sealing or expungement component as an additional benefit.

### **Creating jobs**

Applicants or licensees may choose to create jobs or fill job openings by focusing job recruitment efforts to attract disproportionately harmed people. For example, applicants or licensees may seek to hire qualified individuals who reside in or have resided in geographic “disproportionately impacted areas” or qualified individuals with prior convictions for certain drug offenses. If they choose to implement this type of program, they must affirmatively identify the specific disproportionately impacted population, how to reach them, and how the program will positively impact the population in a measurable way. If data shows that the plan is not succeeding in creating jobs for the group(s) identified, the approach should be adjusted to align with this goal.

### **Funding charitable efforts**

Providing assistance to named nonprofits and charities whose mission(s) benefit disproportionately harmed people can also make a positive impact. Applicants and licensees should include the name and mission of a listed nonprofit or charity in the plan and how it will ensure that contributions specifically benefit disproportionately harmed people. Note that if the applicant or licensee intends to make monetary donations to nonprofits or charities, it must obtain written correspondence certifying that the nonprofit or charity will accept the donation prior to including it as a component of its plan.



## Measurements

Each applicant or licensee must disclose the specific measurement metrics that will be used in measuring the success of its programs. This is important because upon renewal, the licensee will be required to report, at a minimum, detailed, demonstrative, and quantifiable proof of the establishment's efforts, progress, and success of approved plans.

Therefore, this section of the plan should include both qualitative and quantitative measures (metrics) that demonstrate the progress or success of the plan. Metrics should have an identified data source and method for tracking that data.

The applicant is responsible for disclosing and tracking the intended measurement metrics.

Depending on the stated goals and programs, measurement metrics will vary. Applicants and licensees should design metrics as a practical way to measure progress toward the goals set in the plan. Some examples of metrics that could be utilized include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Number of employees hired, retained, or promoted that come from disproportionately impacted areas or one of the other groups of people previously identified in this guidance;
2. Number and subject matter of trainings offered and performed, with documentation of attendance by people from disproportionately harmed communities;
3. Number of records sealed or expunged;
4. Number of records expungement/sealing clinics conducted;
5. Specific financial data and/or employee hours showing donations to or investments in specific causes that benefit disproportionately harmed people;
6. Number of businesses owned by disproportionately harmed people that obtained training or assistance from the programs, along with the businesses' assessment of the programs;  
or
7. Number of businesses or people participating in and successfully paired with the employer through the Commission's Social Equity Program.

## Adding Certain Goals Directly into the Application

The Commission has designed the license application so that all applicants and licensees are able to enter certain quantifiable goals directly into their plan. These items do not replace the plan for the establishment but can be included if the establishment intends to set certain hiring or



donation goals. The following questions will be asked of all applicants and licensees during the initial application process or annually at renewal. The answers provided within the initial application for licensure will be copied into the renewal application for ease of reporting metrics.

1. If your proposed plan has a goal of donating monies to areas of disproportionate impact, as defined by the Commission, please enter the dollar amount, if not, enter 0.
2. If your proposed plan has a goal of donating monies to the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund, please enter the dollar amount, if not, enter 0.

### **Additional Requirements Pertaining to Positive Impact Plans**

In addition to those requirements stated above, the Positive Impact Plan requires the applicant to affirmatively state the following:

1. The applicant acknowledges, is aware, and will adhere to, the requirements set forth in 935 CMR 500.105(4), which provides the permitted and prohibited advertising, branding, marketing, and sponsorship practices of every licensee; and
2. Any actions taken, or programs instituted, will not violate the Commission's regulations with respect to limitations on ownership or control or other applicable state laws.

### **Tips for Designing Your Positive Impact Plan**

When drafting the plan, every applicant should be mindful of the following information:

The Positive Impact Plan is a distinct application requirement. The Positive Impact Plan deals with benefiting areas of disproportionate impact and/or disproportionately harmed people as defined in this guidance. The plan should positively impact one or more of the six identified populations. If it is geographically or otherwise impractical for your business to reach geographic areas of disproportionate impact, consider a plan that focuses on the other four specified groups.

1. You should endeavor to disclose only the information necessary to comply with the requirements of the plan. This plan should be no longer than three pages. You may include appendices; however, this is discouraged, excluding support letters for nonprofits accepting monetary donations.
2. Progress on this plan will be evaluated upon license renewal. Please ensure that the plan you submit as part of the application is practical and that you plan to implement and achieve success in the programs you list. We recommend instituting a process to evaluate the progress of your plan quarterly in preparation for demonstrating success upon



renewal. Upon license renewal, the Commission shall evaluate any information deemed necessary to assess the bona fide progress of each plan.

3. This revised guidance should be utilized immediately. For compliance purposes, Commission staff will begin reviewing all applications not previously reviewed in accordance with this document upon approval by the Commission.

### **Reporting Progress and Success of the Positive Impact Plan at Renewal**

All licensees are required to provide a report of the progress and success of the Positive Impact Plan annually at renewal.

Licensees should upload a summary document with supporting documentation (in a single PDF) demonstrating the establishment's progress or success in complying with each of the goals in its currently approved Positive Impact Plan. Supporting documentation could include the following:

1. Data analysis of current employees that have been disproportionately impacted, as defined by the Commission;
2. Letters from organizations which the establishment has donated to, acknowledging receipt of monies and/or time donated; and/or
3. Any other relevant evidence of progress or success.

The information/documentation provided within the renewal application demonstrating the progress or success of the plan should be specific to the current renewal period only and must reflect the licensee's currently approved Positive Impact Plan. If the plan which has been attached to the application is not the correct plan for the current renewal period, the correct plan should be uploaded into the application. If no progress has been made, a detailed explanation of the reason should be provided by the licensee.

If the licensee has included answers to the questions as provided in the application, these answers will be copied over to the renewal application, each renewal period.

While the licensee may upload a new or modified Positive Impact Plan for the upcoming year of licensure, any previously approved plan should not be removed. If a new or modified plan is submitted for future implementation by the establishment, the plan will be evaluated for compliance with the Commission's current regulatory requirements and may be subject to requests for information by the Commission. Submission of new or amended plans, or documentation towards goals not previously disclosed to the Commission, may delay the recommendation of an application for licensure or renewal.



## Questions?

If you have additional questions regarding Positive Impact Plans, please contact the Commission at [Licensing@CCCMass.com](mailto:Licensing@CCCMass.com) or (774) 415-0200.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

November 25, 2024  
1:00 PM

Remote via Microsoft Teams

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES

**Documents**

- N/A

**In Attendance**

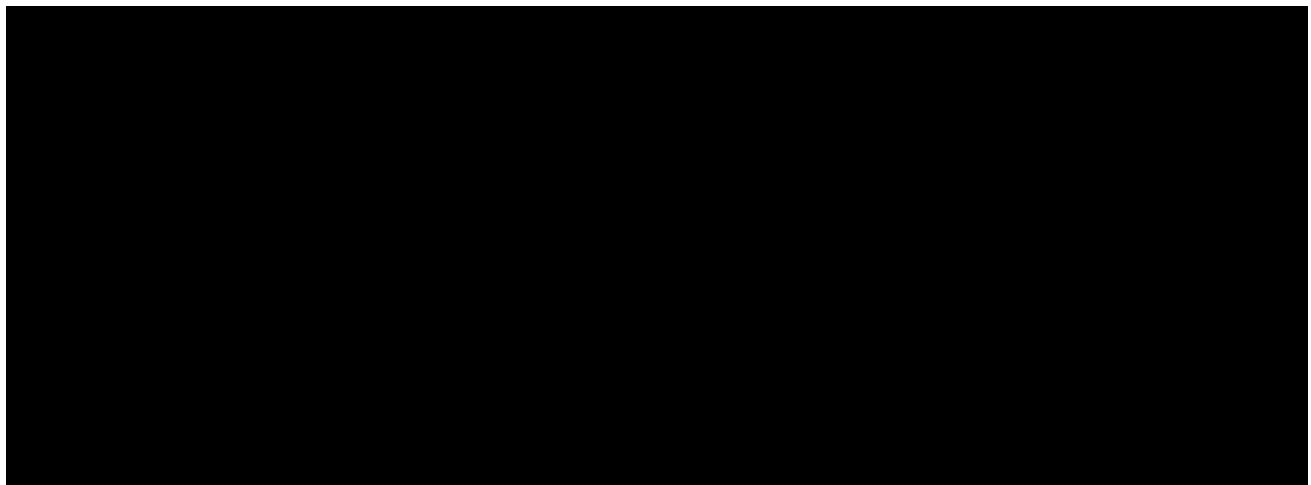
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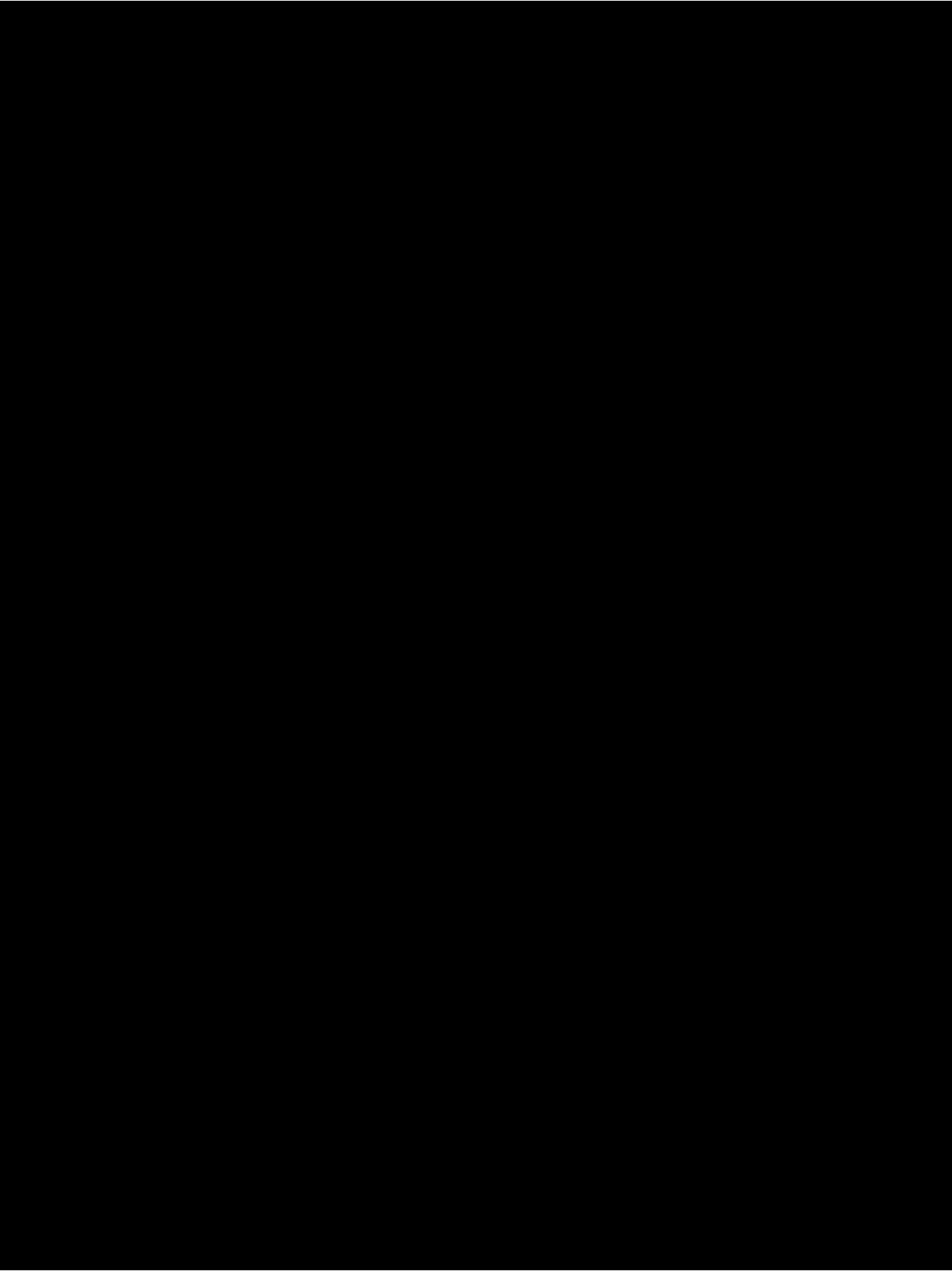
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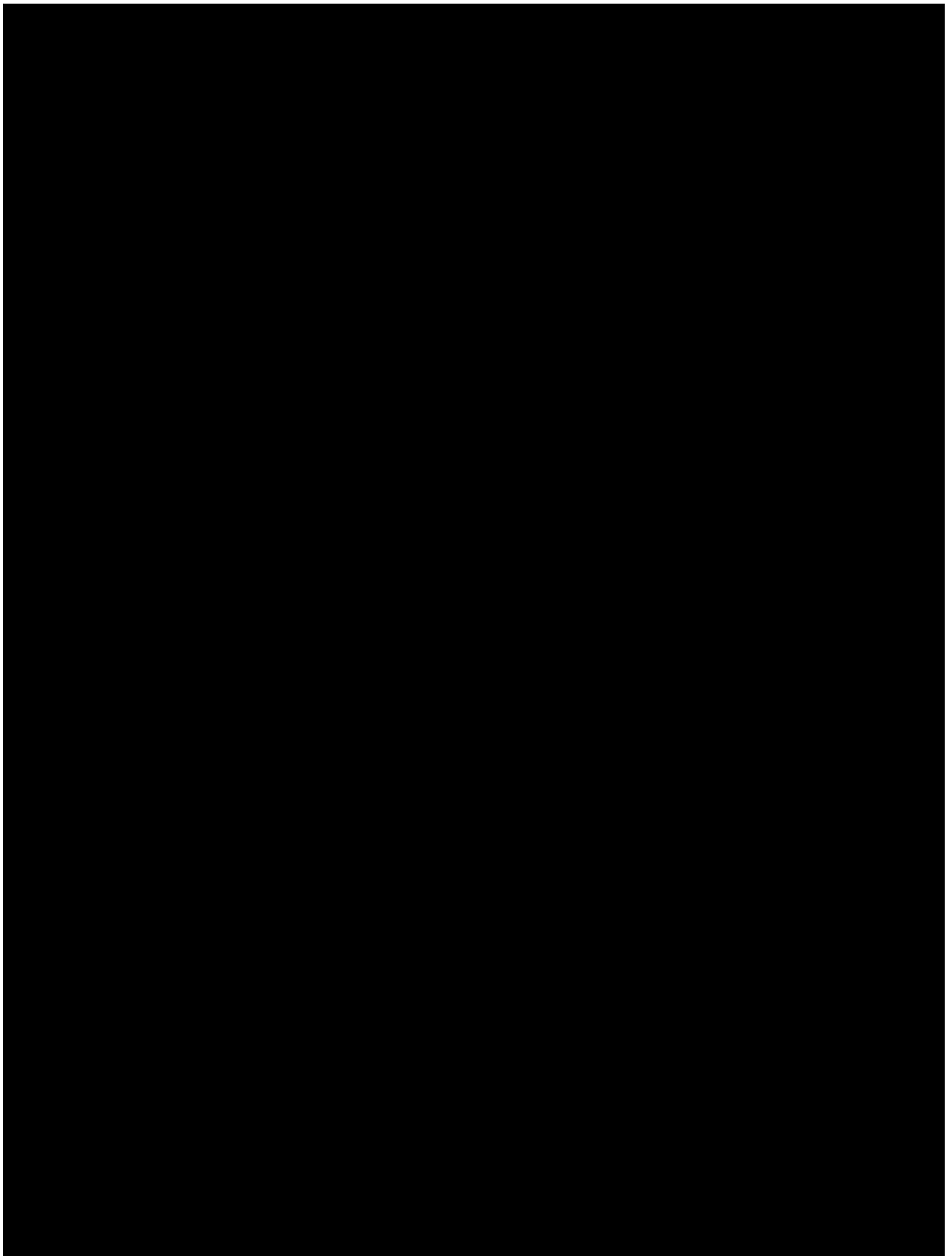
- 1) Discussion on David Lakeman Declining the Executive Director Job Offer
  - Acting Chair Stebbins (AC Stebbins) began by providing an update on negotiations with the Executive Director candidate, Mr. David Lakeman, noting that although an offer above the mid-range salary was extended, Mr. Lakeman declined for personal and family reasons.
  - Acting Executive Director/Chief People Officer Debra Hilton Creek (AED/CPO Hilton Creek) stated that although Mr. Lakeman expressed a strong interest in returning to the Commission, he ultimately found the career trajectory in Illinois more compelling. She noted that he viewed his gubernatorial appointment as an opportunity to help position Illinois as a leader in the cannabis industry.
  - AC Stebbins stated that Mr. Lakeman offered to provide a statement although AC Stebbins considered whether it would be appropriate for the Commission to use it. He noted the original salary range for the Executive Director position was \$157,000 to \$187,000 and questioned whether this current salary range remained appropriate. He referenced executive-level hires at other state agencies which offered salaries ranging from approximately \$197,000 to \$213,000 for candidates with over 30 years of professional experience. AC Stebbins shared that he had a telephone conversation with the second-choice candidate, Mr. Travis Ahern, to assess his continued interest in the role.

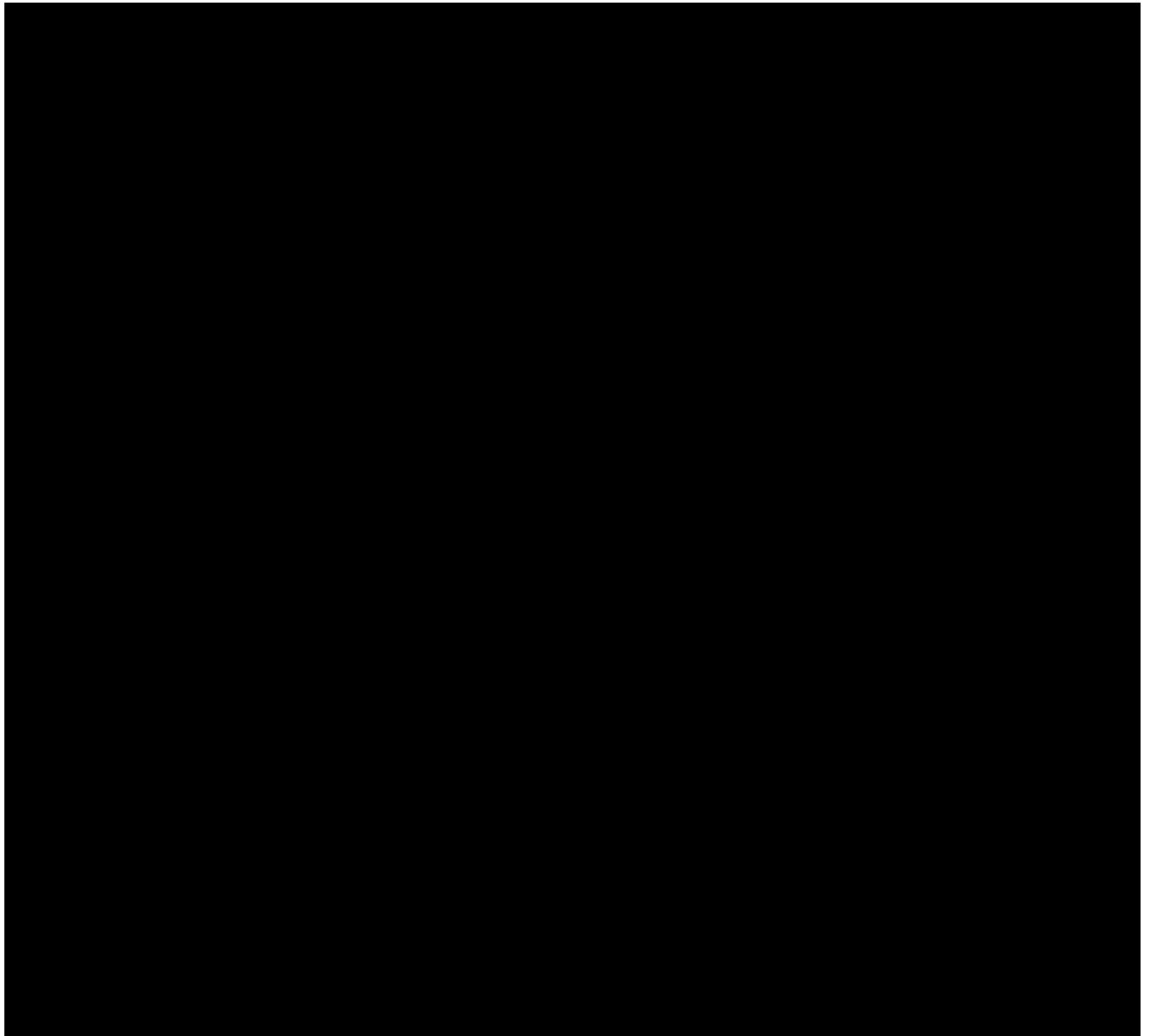


- Commissioner Roy expressed concern that the Commissioners should have met to align on the process before contacting Mr. Ahern and questioned whether he believed he had a job offer.
- AC Stebbins clarified that Mr. Ahern had not been offered the position and was informed that any decision would require a public vote. He stated that he had not made any promises to Mr. Ahern but reached out solely to gauge his continued interest.
- General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay (GC Chattopadhyay) clarified that the previous motion authorized engagement with Mr. Lakeman, and any next steps would require returning to a public meeting with new motion language.
- Commissioner Roy inquired whether any of the other candidates from the applicant pool should be reconsidered.
- AC Stebbins responded that Mr. Ahern and Mr. Lakeman were the two top candidates based on the Search Committee's evaluation.
- AC Stebbins explained that the Board would need to consider increasing the salary based on whether a new search was initiated, or if the Board decided to proceed with negotiations with any of the other finalists.
- Commissioner Concepcion asked AC Stebbins for the specific salary offered to Mr. Lakeman.
- AC Stebbins responded that two options were presented: a salary of \$190,000 with a \$5,000 relocation allowance, or a flat salary of \$195,000.
- AED/CPO Hilton Creek explained that the position was posted with a salary range up to \$187,000. She noted that the Commission had also discussed the possibility of offering up to \$212,000, comparable to another state agency. She explained that throughout the hiring process, the Search Committee intentionally advanced multiple candidates at each stage to ensure a strong pool in case any candidates withdrew.
- Commissioner Concepcion inquired whether a strategy was being developed for public disclosure.
- AC Stebbins responded that no strategy had been established and suggested the matter might need to be addressed outside of Executive Session.
- GC Chattopadhyay advised that continuing the discussion in Executive Session could pose legal risks.









3) Adjournment

- Commissioner Roy moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Acting Chair took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - Acting Chair Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**December 4, 2024  
2:00 PM**

**Remote via Microsoft Teams**

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES

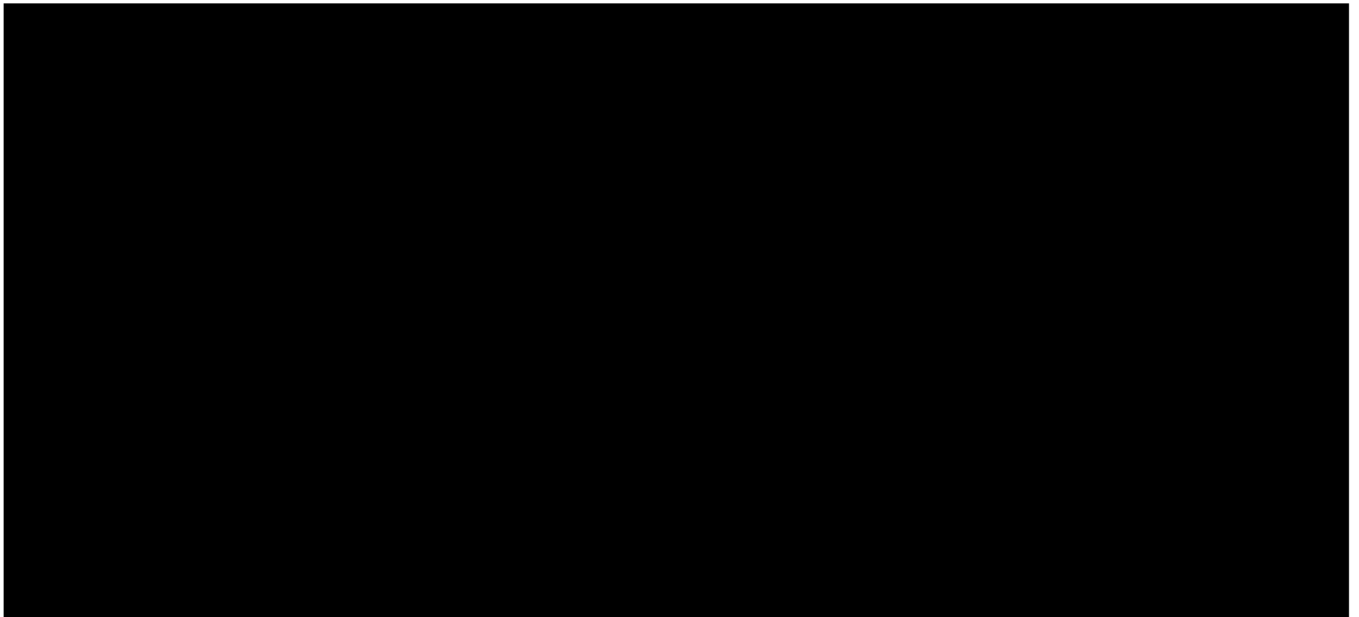
**Documents**

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**In Attendance**

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- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Executive Director/Chief People Officer Debra Hilton Creek
- General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay
- Deputy General Counsel Michael Baker
- Outside Counsel Jaclyn Kugell of Morgan, Brown & Joy
- Paralegal Ivannia M. Corrales Solís

**Minutes:**





2) Salary Considerations for a New Executive Director

- Commissioner Concepcion shared that she recently met with Mr. Travis Ahern (Mr. Ahern) who expressed interest in the Executive Director (ED) role, but voiced concerns about public optics, particularly regarding the announcement of Mr. David Lakeman (Mr. Lakeman) declining the role and how it might affect his reputation.
- Commissioner Roy requested an opportunity to meet individually with Mr. Ahern.
- GC Chattopadhyay advised against further one-on-one meetings and cited Open Meeting Law provisions regarding serial communication.
- AED/CPO Hilton Creek clarified that Commissioner Concepcion's meeting was allowed since she did not participate in the public interviews and legal counsel had approved the meeting.
- Commissioner Concepcion emphasized that her meeting with Mr. Ahern had been scheduled prior to her parental leave.
- Commissioner Roy pointed out that circumstances had changed since Mr. Ahern's interview. She explained that Mr. Ahern now had reservations about the role, which could not be addressed fully during the initial interview.
- AED/CPO Hilton Creek explained that her discussions with Mr. Ahern were focused on gauging his interest in the position.
- AC Stebbins noted that Mr. Ahern remains interested in the ED role but is hesitant to proceed publicly without clarity on salary. He acknowledged that Mr. Ahern has a master's degree and more professional experience than Mr. Lakeman, who was offered \$195,000. He asked AED/CPO Hilton Creek whether \$205,000 was reasonable for someone with Mr. Ahern's level of experience and education.
- AED/CPO Hilton Creek confirmed that \$205,000 would be appropriate, with some flexibility up to \$212,000. She suggested that Commissioners would likely not need to go



as high as \$212,000 and recommended a range of \$205,000–\$210,000. She also noted that the number of employees overseen is a factor in determining the offer.

- AC Stebbins explained that his plan would be to schedule a public meeting once Mr. Ahern felt comfortable with the salary. He asked if anyone had further concerns about authorizing AED/CPO Hilton Creek to proceed with salary discussions within the proposed range in order to determine whether Mr. Ahern was still interested in the position. He proceeded to confirm the range of \$205,000–\$210,000 and instructed AED/CPO Hilton Creek to start at \$205,000 and remain flexible if Mr. Ahern countered slightly higher. He clarified that no vote would be taken, and the discussion was solely to provide AED/CPO Hilton Creek with direction.

### 3) Adjournment

- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Acting Chair took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - Acting Chair Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**March 13, 2025  
3:00 PM**

**In-Person and Remote via Microsoft Teams**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

**Documents**

- N/A

**In Attendance**

- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Executive Director Travis Ahern
- General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay
- Deputy General Counsel Michael Baker
- Associate General Counsel Michael Bergquist
- Paralegal Ivannia M. Corrales Solís

**Minutes:**

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2) Adjournment

- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Acting Chair took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - Acting Chair Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.





# Cannabis Control Commission

Public Meeting

June 12, 2025 at 10:00 am

Remote via Microsoft Teams



# Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Commissioner Comments and Updates
3. Minutes
4. Executive Director and Commission Staff Report
5. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
6. Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses
7. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
8. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
9. Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Renewal Training Licenses
10. Requests for Equitable Relief
11. Commission Discussion and Votes
12. New Business Not Anticipated at Time of Posting
13. Executive Session
14. Next Meeting Date
15. Adjournment

# Minutes

1. March 31, 2025
2. April 10, 2025
3. April 16, 2025





# Executive Director and Commission Staff Report

# Executive Director Report – June 12, 2025

## **2025 Goals – 12 Goals Approved by Commissioners for CY2025:**

- Current Staff Resources Allocated for Goals, including Working Groups;
  - Building out further staff tracking to monitor bandwidth
- Fiscal Year End (June 30, 2025)
  - Milestones Achieved
  - Updates
- Impacts from H.4206
- Next Milestones
- Prioritization Needed to Align with Current/Projected Budget



## FY25 Budget Review

| Spending Category                  | FY2025 Budget     | FY2025<br>Committed<br>Spending | Uncommitted<br>as of 6.6.25 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Employee Costs                     | 13,455,357        | 12,757,681                      |                             |
| Administrative & Operational Costs | 2,447,773         | 2,677,919                       |                             |
| Consultant Costs                   | 379,025           | 563,293                         |                             |
| IT Costs                           | 3,729,730         | 3,837,998                       |                             |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                 | <b>20,011,885</b> | <b>19,836,891</b>               | <b>174,994</b>              |

### Commission Initiatives under contract

- Testing Consultant
- Product/Lab Testing
- Audit for Licensing Fees
- Audit Prep Review for SOC
- Data Analytics, compliance audits, investigation support
- Delivery Exclusivity Study



# MassCannabisControl.com Licensing Tracker

June 12, 2025

AnnMarie Burtt, Director of Digital and Creative Services

# MassCannabisControl.com Automated Licensing Tracker

- Launched Wednesday, June 11  
<https://masscannabiscontrol.com/licensing-tracker/>
- Weekly automated data updates from MassCIP and MMJOS
- Combined list of Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers who have been approved to commence operations
- Advanced filtering options and search field
- One-click "Related Documents" search query for each Licensee based on license number
- Options to extract the data in multiple file formats

Applicants and Licensees / Licensing Tracker

## Licensing Tracker

The Massachusetts Cannabis Industry Portal (MassCIP) is open. Please register [here](#) to begin the license application process.

Notice: We recommend that applicants use Google Chrome for the best user experience.

Please check back regularly for updates and sign up for our [email notice list](#) to receive announcements from the Cannabis Control Commission.

### Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers Authorized to Commence Operations

#### Legend

EEA = Certified Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant

SEP = Social Equity Program Participant

DBE = Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (woman-owned, minority-owned, and veteran-owned businesses)

MTC = Registered Marijuana Dispensary (or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center) Priority Status

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| Adult-Use          | Elev8 Cannabis Inc                                      | MR281810       | Marijuana Retailer             | General Applicant                               | 243 Main Street Athol, MA 01331                          |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC | MP281819       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer | General Applicant                               | 187 Lafayette Road Salisbury, MA 01952                   |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Patient Centric of Martha's Vineyard, Ltd.              | MP281747       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer | Priority Review - MTC Priority                  | 90 Dr. Fisher Road West Tisbury, MA 02575                |                   |
| Adult-Use          | In Good Health, Inc.                                    | MP281307       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer | Priority Review - MTC Priority                  | 1200 West Chestnut Street Brockton, MA 02301             |                   |
| Adult-Use          | SIRA NATURALS, INC.                                     | MP281613       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer | Priority Review - MTC Priority                  | 5-7 INDUSTRIAL ROAD Milford, MA 01757                    |                   |
| Adult-Use          | The Heirloom Collective, Inc.                           | MR284511       | Marijuana Retailer             | General Applicant                               | 87 Northfield Road Bernardston, MA 01337                 |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Pure Oasis LLC                                          | MR284576       | Marijuana Retailer             | Priority Review - Economic Empowerment Priority | 85 Devonshire Street Boston, MA 02109                    |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Clovercraft Ilc                                         | MD1261         | Marijuana Delivery Operator    | Expedited Review - Social Equity Participant    | 17 East St. Easthampton, MA 01027                        |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Major Bloom, LLC                                        | MP281879       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer | Priority Review - Economic Empowerment Priority | 76 Millbury Street Worcester, MA 01610                   |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Gas Bus LLC                                             | MD1320         | Marijuana Delivery Operator    | Expedited Review - Social Equity Participant    | 321 West Grove St Floor 2 Unit 6 Middleborough, MA 02346 |                   |
| Adult-Use          | Baked Bean LLC                                          | MP281406       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer | General Applicant                               | 79 River Road Uxbridge, MA 01560                         |                   |



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| Adult-Use          | The Harvest Club, LLC               | MR284103       | Marijuana Retailer | Expedited Review - Social Equity Participant |
| Adult-Use          | Underground Legacy Social Club, LLC | MR284914       | Marijuana Retailer | Expedited Review - Social Equity Participant |
| Adult-Use          | The Heritage Club, LLC              | MR282762       | Marijuana Retailer | Expedited Review - Social Equity Participant |

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# Questions and feedback?

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with the subject line “Licensing Tracker”



# EquityWorks Career Hub

*Powered by Premier Virtual*

Presented By:  
Silea Williams, Director of Equity Programming and Community Outreach

# Our Team



Silea Williams, Director of Equity  
Programming & Community Outreach



Darrus Sands, Manager of Equity  
Programming & Strategic Partnerships



Steven Carosello, Manager of  
Community Outreach



Akilah Armstrong, Project Coordinator



Frank Espinal, Project Coordinator

# EquityWorks Career Hub

## Empowering Careers, Cultivating Equity

### EquityWorks Career Hub Platform – Overview

- The EquityWorks Career Hub is a centralized, digital employment resource portal developed by the Cannabis Control Commission’s Equity Programming and Community Outreach Department to support equitable workforce development across the cannabis industry.
- This platform is designed to connect job seekers, Social Equity Program (SEP) participants, Certified Economic Empowerment (EEA) applicants, and returning citizens with licensed cannabis businesses and integrated business solutions also referenced as “ancillary” service providers throughout Massachusetts.
- By launching this innovative initiative, Massachusetts becomes the first state in the nation to embed a comprehensive, equity-focused career development platform within its cannabis equity programming—further solidifying the Commonwealth’s leadership in advancing social justice and economic opportunity in the industry.



# EquityWorks Career Hub

## Key Features:

- **Industry-Specific Job Boards:** Targeted job listings aligned with cannabis license types and business sectors.
- **Virtual Job Fairs:** Opportunities for scheduled and real-time interviews with hiring employers in a virtual setting.
- **Employer Portal:** Cannabis businesses can post jobs, manage listings, and connect directly with a diverse talent pool.
- **Exclusive Access for SEP/EEA Applicants:** Platform features designed specifically for individuals approved under the Commission's equity programs.
- **SEP Booth:** A centralized virtual hub for SEP participants to access dedicated resources, support, and career tools.
- **Career Navigation Support:** Resume templates, interview guidance, and other career-readiness tools for job seekers



# EquityWorks Career Hub: Key Dates

- **April 14, 2025**  
**Employer, Licensees, and Ancillary Businesses Engagement Period**
  - Begin building virtual booths
  - Explore the platform and prepare to post available job opportunities
- **May 12, 2025**  
**Equity Participant Engagement Period**
  - Exclusive early access to the platform
  - Engage with employers and begin applying
- **June 16, 2025**  
**General Public Access**
  - EquityWorks Career Hub platform officially launches to the public



# What you need to get Started!

Below are a few things you will need to assure your profile is strong and ready to be considered for cannabis positions and networking!

- **Resume:** Upload your most up-to-date resume highlighting your equity-centered skills, certifications, and relevant work experience.
- **Professional Photo:** Add a high-resolution, professional photo to your profile—this helps employers remember you.
- **Complete Your Profile:** Include your skills, interests, location, and job preferences to better match with employers and recruiters.
- **Explore the Site:** Take time to navigate the platform—explore job postings, employer booths, and resources to prepare for potential interviews.
- **Stay Engaged:** Check in regularly! The platform will continue to add events, job fairs, and career development opportunities.



# EquityWorks Career Hub | In-Person Event Dates

- **Lawrence, MA – June 11, 2025**
  - Platform registration and account setup assistance
  - Live platform demonstrations and walkthroughs
  - Q&A sessions with Commission staff
  - Networking with employers, industry stakeholders, and equity participants.
- **Brockton, MA – June 25, 2025**
  - Official public launch of EquityWorks Career Hub
  - Live platform demonstrations and walkthroughs
  - Networking with employers and industry stakeholders
  - Availability of printed guides and informational resources





# Contact Us

[EquityCareers@CCCMass.com](mailto:EquityCareers@CCCMass.com)

# Social Equity Program (SEP)

## 2025 Application Period

- The Social Equity Program (SEP) will be opening another application period for those constituents interested in seeking approval for the Social Equity Program.
- **Application Opens:**  
**Friday, August 1, 2025**
- **Submission Deadline:**  
**Tuesday, September 30, 2025**
- **Rolling Review Period:**  
The Commission will **review applications, provide applicant support, and process approvals** on a rolling basis through **Thursday, October 31, 2025.**





# Licensing Data Updates

# Highlights from Licensing Data

- 1 application awaiting first review
- 18 applications awaiting supplemental review
- 4 applications for Provisional License consideration
- 4 licensees for Final License consideration
- 80,989 certified active patients



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*The totals below are number of approvals by stage.*

| Type                                          | #            |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness | 230          |
| Provisionally Approved                        | 133          |
| Provisional License                           | 477          |
| Final License                                 | 47           |
| Commence Operations                           | 746          |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1,633</b> |

➡ + 12%

\* Note: This represents the percent increase since June 2024.

*Provisionally approved means approved by the Commission but has not submitted license fee payment yet – provisional license has not started*

# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

| Type                                                 | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total        |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 2                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 4                   | 0             | 0                  | 6            |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 16                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 4                      | 11                  | 3             | 12                 | 46           |
| Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification                  | 20                  | 109                       | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 129          |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 2                   | 0             | 16                 | 21           |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 47                  | N/A                       | 2                        | 42                     | 184                 | 17            | 145                | 437          |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 9                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 6                      | 18                  | 1             | 18                 | 52           |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification        | 13                  | 116                       | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 129          |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 10                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 4                      | 15                  | 3             | 14                 | 46           |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 39                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 40                     | 132                 | 14            | 125                | 351          |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 6                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 1                      | 0                   | 1             | 0                  | 8            |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 55                  | N/A                       | 2                        | 32                     | 107                 | 8             | 405                | 609          |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 5                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 4                   | 0             | 4                  | 15           |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                   | 1                   | 5                         | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 2                  | 8            |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 9                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 5                  | 14           |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1            |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>234</b>          | <b>230</b>                | <b>5</b>                 | <b>133</b>             | <b>477</b>          | <b>47</b>     | <b>746</b>         | <b>1,872</b> |



# Active Cultivators | June 12, 2025

| Type                                                      | Provisional License | Final License  | Commence Operation | Total            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Microbusiness w/ Tier 1 Cultivation (up to 5,000 sq. Ft.) | 4                   | 3              | 12                 | 19               |
| Cultivation Tier 1 (Up to 5,000 sq. ft.)                  | 9                   | 6              | 22                 | 37               |
| Cultivation Tier 2 (5,001-10,000 sq. ft.)                 | 18                  | 3              | 36                 | 57               |
| Cultivation Tier 3 (10,001-20,000 sq. ft.)                | 11                  | 2              | 27                 | 40               |
| Cultivation Tier 4 (20,001-30,000 sq. ft.)                | 4                   | 3              | 9                  | 16               |
| Cultivation Tier 5 (30,001-40,000 sq. ft.)                | 0                   | 0              | 9                  | 9                |
| Cultivation Tier 6 (40,001-50,000 sq. ft.)                | 3                   | 0              | 8                  | 11               |
| Cultivation Tier 7 (50,001-60,000 sq. ft.)                | 1                   | 0              | 2                  | 3                |
| Cultivation Tier 8 (60,001-70,000 sq. ft.)                | 0                   | 0              | 3                  | 3                |
| Cultivation Tier 9 (70,001-80,000 sq. ft.)                | 1                   | 0              | 1                  | 2                |
| Cultivation Tier 10 (80,001-90,000 sq. ft.)               | 0                   | 0              | 5                  | 5                |
| Cultivation Tier 11 (90,001-100,000 sq. ft.)              | 3                   | 0              | 6                  | 9                |
| <b>Total</b>                                              | <b>54</b>           | <b>17</b>      | <b>140</b>         | <b>208</b>       |
| <b>Total Maximum Canopy (Sq. Ft.)</b>                     | <b>1,175,000</b>    | <b>205,000</b> | <b>3,550,000</b>   | <b>4,930,000</b> |

+69.3%

+8.6%

\* Note: percentage is of "Total" Cultivation commence operations licenses

\*\*Note: Totals under "Total Maximum Canopy" do not reflect current canopy in use; rather the maximum that could be in use



# Active Cultivators | June 12, 2025

| Type                           | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|-------|
| Marijuana Cultivator (Indoor)  | 46                  | 13            | 108                | 167   |
| Marijuana Cultivator (Outdoor) | 4                   | 1             | 20                 | 25    |
| Total                          | 50                  | 14            | 128                | 192   |



# Host Community Agreements Data | June 12, 2025

| Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Total | SEP & EEA | DBE |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----|
| The total number of applications received since March 1, 2024, containing an HCA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 990   | 169       | 104 |
| Number of Model HCAs received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 261   | 25        | 29  |
| Compliant Model HCAs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 250   | 24        | 29  |
| Number of Model HCA Waivers received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 121   | 27        | 10  |
| Compliant HCAs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 758   | 126       | 77  |
| Non-Compliant HCAs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 182   | 29        | 18  |
| <b>141 Towns with Compliant HCAs</b><br><i>Abington, Adams, Amesbury, Ashburnham, Ashby, Athol, Attleboro, Avon, Ayer, Barre, Belchertown, Belmont, Berkley, Bernardston, Beverly, Blackstone, Blandford, Bolton, Boston, Bourne, Bridgewater, Brimfield, Brockton, Brookfield, Brookline, Cambridge, Charlton, Chelsea, Cheshire, Chicopee, Clinton, Colrain, Cummington, Danvers, Dartmouth, Deerfield, Douglas, Dracut, Eastham, Easthampton, Egremont, Fairhaven, Fall River, Fitchburg, Framingham, Franklin, Gardner, Gill, Gloucester, Grafton, Great Barrington, Greenfield, Groton, Hadley, Halifax, Hanson, Hatfield, Haverhill, Holbrook, Holliston, Holyoke, Hopedale, Hudson, Hull, Kingston, Lakeville, Lee, Lenox, Littleton, Lowell, Lynn, Mansfield, Marblehead, Marlborough, Marshfield, Mashpee, Maynard, Medford, Medway, Melrose, Mendon, Merrimac, Middleborough, Milford, Millbury, Monson, Montague, Natick, Needham, New Bedford, Newton, North Adams, North Brookfield, Northampton, Norton, Norwood, Orange, Orleans, Palmer, Pittsfield, Plainfield, Plymouth, Quincy, Rehoboth, Rockland, Rowley, Royalston, Rutland, Salem, Sandisfield, Sharon, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Somerville, Southbridge, Southwick, Springfield, Sterling, Sturbridge, Sunderland, Swansea, Taunton, Templeton, Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, Uxbridge, Wakefield, Waltham, Ware, Wareham, Webster, Wellfleet, West Springfield, West Tisbury, Westfield, Whately, Whitman, Williamstown, Winchendon, Woburn, Worcester.</i> |       |           |     |



# Host Community Agreements Data | June 12, 2025

| HCA Review Status                                                 | Total |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of HCAs reviewed                                           | 970   |
| Number of HCAs currently under review                             | 20    |
| Number of Host Community Agreement Determination Notices sent out | 722   |

| Extensions                                                | Total |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Extension requests received                               | 1,792 |
| Extension requests that received conditional pre-approval | 56    |
| Extension requests granted                                | 1,711 |
| Average number of days requested                          | 89    |
| Number of unique licenses                                 | 825   |





# Staff Recommendations: Changes of Ownership

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1. Jolly Green Inc.
2. The Fresh Connection Boston, LLC





# Staff Recommendations: Licensing Renewals

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1. 876 Grow Inc (#MBR169352)
2. Alternative Therapies Group II, Inc. (#MRR206953)
3. Bada Bloom!, Inc. (#MCR140923)
4. CastleLeaf, LLC (#MPR244296)
5. CastleLeaf, LLC (#MRR207168)
6. CNA Stores, Inc. (#MRR207236)
7. Enlite Cannabis Dispensary, LLC (#MRR207226)
8. GreenSoul Organics, Inc. (#MRR207239)
9. Hadleaf Holistic Greens Dispensary LLC.  
(#MRR206793)
10. Holistic Industries, Inc. (#MRR207250)
11. Hudson Botanical Processing, LLC (#MCR140928)
12. Ideal Craft Cannabis, Inc. (#MCR140925)
13. INDICA LLC (#MRR207263)
14. Nuestra, LLC (#MRR206908)
15. Toy Town Project, LLC (#MRR207252)
16. ARL Healthcare, Inc. (#RMD225)
17. In Good Health, Inc. (#RMD105)





# **Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licensure**

# Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licenses

1. Core Empowerment, LLC (#MRN285081), Marijuana Retailer
2. Massachusetts Caregivers, LLC (#MDA1291), Marijuana Delivery Operator
3. Peak Collective LLC (#MRN285297), Marijuana Retailer
4. Resinate, Inc. (#RMDA4121), Medical Marijuana Treatment Center





# Staff Recommendations: Final Licensure

# Staff Recommendations: Final Licenses

1. Alternative Compassion Services, Inc. (#MR285029), Marijuana Retailer
2. BTE, Inc. (#MC283668), Marijuana Cultivator/ Tier 11/ Outdoor
3. Health Circle, Inc. (#MR282585), Marijuana Retailer
4. Pure Tewksbury, Inc. (#MR284994), Marijuana Retailer





# **Staff Recommendations: Responsible Vendor Training Renewal Licensure**

## **Staff Recommendations: Responsible Vendor Training Renewal Licenses**

1. Bud Education (#DCCR794122)
2. Green CulturED (#DCCR749120)





# Requests for Equitable Relief

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Deerfield Naturals, Inc. *General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay*





# Commission Discussion & Votes

# Commission Discussion and Votes

1. Guidance on Positive Impact Plans *Director of Licensing Olivia Koval,*  
*General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay (Vote)*



# Commission Discussion and Votes

2. Open Meeting Law Complaint Determinations and Next Steps *Acting  
Chair Bruce Stebbins, General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay*



# Commission Discussion and Votes

3. Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents Workplace Safety  
Program Grant *Director of DIA Sheri Bowles, Director of Administration  
Bill Taupier, Director of the Office of Safety Maryann Falvey*



# Workplace Safety Grant

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*MARYANN FALVEY, DIRECTOR OFFICE OF SAFETY*



# FY 26 Grant Application Announcement

*Applications will be  
considered on the  
compellingness to meet  
grant objectives*

**Budget \$800,000**

**Maximum Per Grant Request  
\$25,000**

The Office of Safety, will accept applications for  
the FY26 Workplace Safety Grant

## ***Application Period:***

**7:00 AM, Monday June 2, 2025 to 11:59 PM Monday June 30,2025**

## **Find us here:**

- <https://www.mass.gov/workplace-safety-grant-program>

# About the Workplace Safety Grant

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The Workplace Safety Grant is issued under the provisions

[M. G. L. c 23E § 3](#) with a budget of \$800k per fiscal year.

The grant has been administered by the Department of Industrial Accident's ,Office of Safety since 1989

The grant program provides Massachusetts based employers of good standing with funding for employee training to [prevent](#) or [redress a history of workplace injuries](#).

The maximum grant award is [\\$25,000](#) per recipient, per grant year.

# “Must” Know List

What you need to know

## REQUIREMENTS

- This is a reimbursement program.
- Applicant organization’s employees must be covered by the Massachusetts Workers’ Compensation Act, M.G.L. c. 152.
- Massachusetts based training providers must be used.
- Trainings MUST relate to the work performed by the employee/s and address prevention of unhealthy working conditions and practices.
- Training is tied to the Commonwealth’s fiscal year; and MUST be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup> of each grant year
- Invoices MUST be received by the Office of Safety by July 15<sup>th</sup> of each grant year.

# EXCLUSIONS

## WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED ?

- Costs incurred prior to the effective date of the contract.
- Training for Police, State Police, Firefighters, State and Federal employees, and organizations covered by Jones/Longshore Act.
- Costs for employee wages, stipends, or reimbursements for
- Parking and travel expenses, and re-training of employees previously trained under this grant on the same topic.
- Developmental, compliance, policy/procedural programs, and emergency action planning programs.
- Costs for office space, conference room rentals, utilities, communications, equipment (TVs, DVD players, computers, projectors, etc.), and other overhead expenses.

# The Gathering

Information you'll need to have handy in order to complete the application process

## The Nuts & Bolts of grant application

- Organization's legal name as listed with the Secretary of State. (d.b.a.) also
- Organization's **Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)**.
- Current number of Massachusetts employees in the organization
- Contact information for the individual who is authorized to sign a contract to accept a grant.
- Contact information for the individual administering the grant
- Obtain a Department of Revenue (DOR) Certificate of Good Standing. To obtain the certificate, apply online at [www.dor.state.ma.us](#)
- Obtain a Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA) certificate of Unemployment Insurance Compliance. To obtain the certificate, apply at [www.mass.gov/unemployment](#)
- Obtain an assigned Vendor Number. To obtain a NEW Vendor Number, register on COMMBUYS. Register online at [www.commbuys.com](#) It takes just two simple steps: 1. Go to the COMMBUYS landing page at [www.commbuys.com](#) and then follow these steps:  
1) Select the first link titled REGISTER and complete registration. 2) You must register and select the United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC) 84-10-16. There is no cost.

# High Level - Grant Application Process

## **Class Selection, Contact Trainers Determine Class Cost and Request**

Grant Application - On line link through the Office of Safety

Gather the Necessary Information to Complete the Grant Application

Register Company in Portal & Receive Company ID

Follow Instructions Complete Part One: Application- Pages 1-8

Follow Instructions to Complete Part Two: Compliance and Contract Documents

Upload, DOR, DUA, EFT, W9, COMMBUYS, CASL

**Submit Application- Receive Acknowledgment ( number in line)**

# Compliance & Procurement Check

Reference - Behind the Scenes

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## OFFICE OF SAFETY

W9

UI/UHI

DOR – Certificate of Good Standing

DIA/WCI

DIA/SWO

MassDOT

DCAMM

## COMPLIANCE & PROCUREMENT

SCF

CASL

Fed SAM Debarment

SEC Annual Report

SEC Central Register

AGO Fair Labor

COMMBUYS

*Sample*

# Hazards

## Use Drop Down Features

- ASBESTOS
- CPR/AED
- CTD's
- DEFENSIVE DRIVING
- ERGONOMICS
- FIRE ELECTRICAL
- INJURY PREVENTION
- LEAD HAZARDS
- OSHA
- RIGHT TO KNOW /HAZARD COMMUNICATION
- Toxins
- OTHER

# Training Topics - 124 Listings

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Active shooter/ Workplace de-escalation

Ariel lift

Asbestos

CPR/AED Chain Saw safety

Chemical/Biological Toxins

Right to know/ Haz communication

Confined space / Trench rescue

Crane and Rigger Training

Defensive driving

Ergonomics

First Aid

Fall Protection

Fire/ Electrical

Forklift

Injury Prevention

Lead hazards

Lock Out Tag Out

OSHA 10

OSHA 30

Safe Patient Lifting

Slips, Trips, and Falls

Spain/ Stain/ MSD, Repetitive/ Cumulative Trauma Disorders

Stress Management

Trenching, Excavation

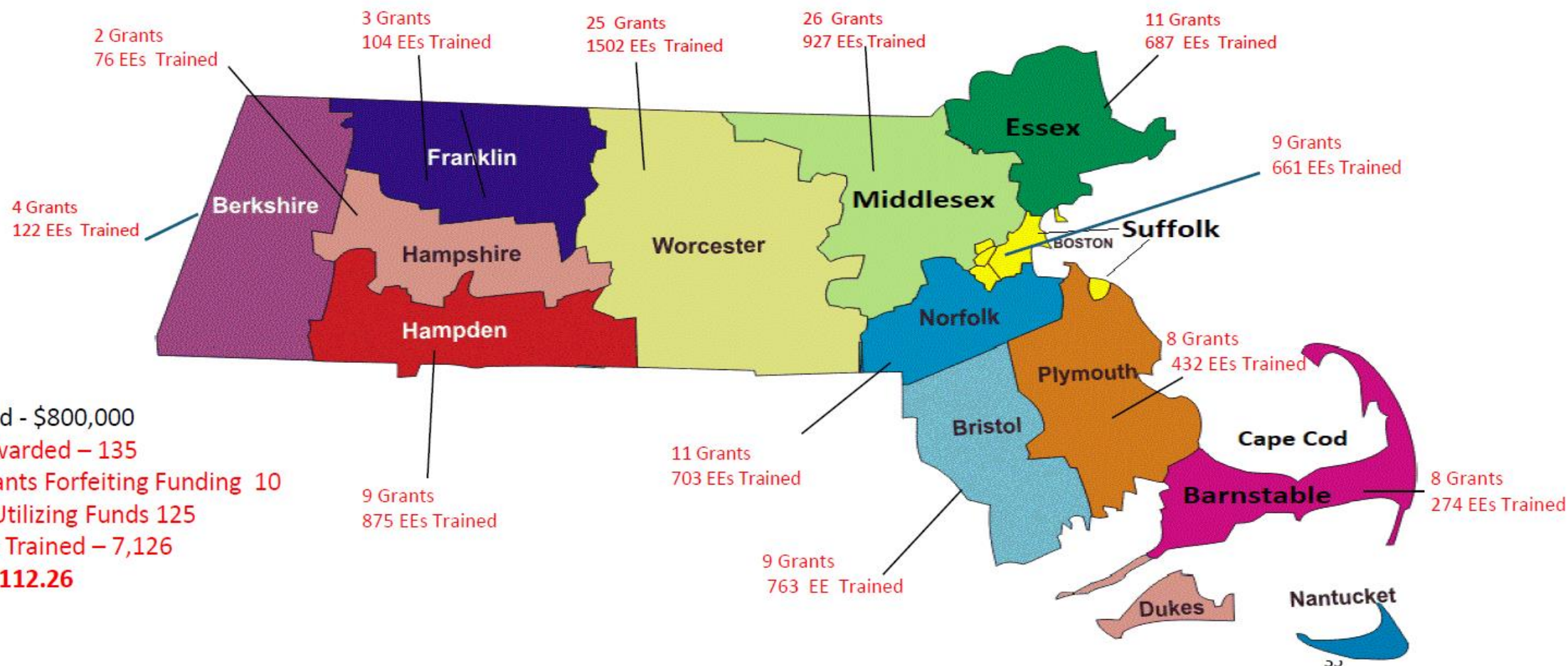
Water Safety

Winter Driving

Other

# DIA FY 2024 Grant Year-End Report

## Safety Grant Program - Grants and Employees Trained by County



- Total \$ Awarded - \$800,000
- Total Grants Awarded – 135
- Post Award Grants Forfeiting Funding 10
- Actual Grants Utilizing Funds 125
- No. of Workers Trained – 7,126
- Avg. Cost per \$ **112.26**

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*System Preview*



# KNOW BEFORE YOU BEGIN

1. About your organization
2. Demographics to include the current number of Massachusetts employees in the organization (full & part-time) and numbers to be trained.
3. A valid Certificate of Good Standing from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) About your organization
4. Consortium details (if any). Must include the organizations full legal name, full legal address and (FEIN) number and numbers to be trained.
5. Demographics to include the current number of Massachusetts employees in the organization (full & part-time) and numbers to be trained.
6. A valid Certificate of Good Standing from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR)
7. A Certificate of Unemployment Insurance Compliance from the Massachusetts Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA)
8. A COMMBUYS ID Number

Required contractual documents needed to submit your application

# Workplace Safety Grant Program

The Department of Industrial Accidents (DIA) Workplace Safety Grant helps employers reduce the risk of injury and illness to workers and promote safe and healthy conditions in the workplace through training, education, and other preventative measures.

LOG IN: [Check Application Status](#)

## Notices & Alerts

1/1/24

 **DIA Announces FY25 Workplace Safety Grant Announcement** | Updated May 3, 2024, 03:49 pm

**Did you know?** Employers across the country reported 2.6 million injury and illness cases in private industry in 2021. Through the DIA Workplace Safety Grant, Massachusetts-based and operating employers can keep their workplace free of known health and safety hazards.

Employers will find that implementing safety and health programs help:

- **Prevent** workplace injuries and illnesses
- **Improve** compliance with laws and regulations
- **Reduce** costs, including significant reductions in workers' compensation premiums
- **Engage** workers
- **Enhance** their social responsibility goal



Cold Stress Flyer +

Slips, Trips, and Falls Flyer +

Office of Safety Mailing List +

<https://www.mass.gov/workplace-safety-grant-program>

# **SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM BUDGET NARRATIVE**

## **GUIDE (PAGE 7)**

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Grants are awarded to provide direct worker safety training for employers and workers on the recognition, avoidance, and prevention of safety and health hazards in their workplaces. The purpose of training is to ensure that the employee will be able to perform the job correctly and safely. Identify and describe the injury history of the targeted occupation(s) (if any), or preventative safety issues you intend to address in this proposal. Here are some key elements to keep in mind that a training program narrative typically includes.

1. Consider and identify your company's training needs.
2. Your goals and objectives should be clear and well defined.
3. Align your training to your business needs.
4. Once you have determined the needs of your organization, contact a Massachusetts training provider(s), and estimate cost for course fees.
5. Your training budget should identify the training topic(s), number of training classes, number of participants to be trained per class, name of the trainer(s) providing services and cost per class.

## Organization Detail

Legal Name Of Applicant Organization \* ?

☐ Prior Grant Recipient ?

DBA of Applicant Organization

Organization FEIN \*

Vendor Number \* ?

Amount Requesting (up to \$25,000) \* ?

Primary Contact (Who Can We Contact) \* ?

☐ Check if Grant Administrator

Primary Contact Email \*

Primary Contact Phone \*

Ext.

Secondary Phone

Ext

Phone Type

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# Workplace Safety Grant Application

Application

Progress

25%

## Organization Address

Application ID: test app\_9092

Organization Address Line 1 \* ?

Organization Address Line 2

Zip \*

Select Zip Code

City \*

State \*

MA

County \*

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# Workplace Safety Grant Application

Application

Progress

38%

## Grant Administrator

Application ID: test app\_9092

Grant Administrator \*

Grant Administrator Email \*

Grant Administrator Phone \*

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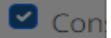
# Workplace Safety Grant Application

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Select

PART 4 OF 8

## Add Consortium



Consortium Legal Name \*

Consortium Address 1 \*

Consortium Address 2

Zip \*

Select Zip Code

City \*

State

County \*

Consortium FEIN \*

Close

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# Workplace Safety Grant Application

Application

Progress



## More Details

Application ID: test app\_9092

Number of Employees in Organization \* ?

Tell Us About Your Organization (Minimum 100 Characters) \*

Number of Employees Being Trained \*

Tell Use About Your Training Goals (Minimum 100 Characters) \* ?

Requested training must connect to the work performed by the employee (s)

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Add Class

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Training Topic \*

-- Select One --

Total # Of Trainers \*

Trainer(s) \*

Training Company (If Known)

No of Attendees \*

Unallocated Funds

\$10,000

# of Classes \*

Cost Per Class \*

Total

Close

Save and Close

Save and New

## Survey Questions

Application ID: test ap

Primary Business Market \*

--Select One--

How did you hear about the program? (Select all that apply)

- ☐ Chamber of Commerce
- ☐ Emailed Office of Safety
- ☐ Outreach
- ☐ Professional Association
- ☐ Search Engine
- ☐ Social Media
- ☐ Training Provider
- ☐ Word of Mouth
- ☐ Other

Does your organization self-identify as any of the following? (Select all that apply)

- ☐ Asian American and Pacific Islander Own Business, AAPI Start-up
- ☐ Business Enterprise
- ☐ Decline to answer
- ☐ Disability Owned Enterprise -DOBES
- ☐ LGBTQIA+ – Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender
- ☐ MBE Mass minority enterprise, please specify
- ☐ Non-Profit
- ☐ Portuguese Business Enterprises, PBE
- ☐ SOMWBA Certified-State Offices of Minority and Women Business Assistance
- ☐ Service – Disabled Veterans Enterprise – SDVOBE
- ☐ Women Business Enterprises, WBE or woman owned Veteran Business Enterprises, VBE
- ☐ Other

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# Training Classes

## Add Class



Training Topic \*

Total # Of Trainers \*

Trainer(s) \*

Training Company (If Known)

No of Attendees \*

Unallocated Funds

\$10,000

# of Classes \*

Cost Per Class \*

Total

Close

Save and Close

Save and New

# Budget Summary

Requested Amount

Requested

\$10,000

Remaining

\$10,000

Budget Narrative (Minimum 100 Characters) ? \*

Class List

| Select | Topic | Class # | Total # of Trainers | Trainer Name(s) | Company | Attendees | Cost |
|--------|-------|---------|---------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|------|
|--------|-------|---------|---------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|------|

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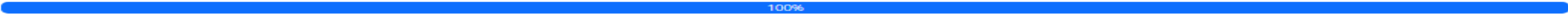
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# Workplace Safety Grant Application

Application

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## Required Documents

Application ID: test app\_9092

Acceptable files types include ( .pdf, .tif, .tiff, .png, .jpg ) and each file must not exceed **5mb** .

|                                                                    |             |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Standard Contract Form (SCF) ?                                     | Choose File | No file chosen |
| W-9                                                                | Choose File | No file chosen |
| Contractor Authorized Signatory (CASL) ?                           | Choose File | No file chosen |
| EFT Form ?                                                         | Choose File | No file chosen |
| Bank Letter / Voided Check                                         | Choose File | No file chosen |
| DOR Certificate of Good Standing ?<br><a href="#">More Info...</a> | Choose File | No file chosen |
| DUA Certificate ?<br><a href="#">More Info...</a>                  | Choose File | No file chosen |
| CommBuys Registration ?<br><a href="#">More Info...</a>            | Choose File | No file chosen |

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Submit

Upload

# Contact The Workplace Safety Grant



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QUESTIONS ? - EMAIL: [SAFETY@MASS.GOV](mailto:SAFETY@MASS.GOV)

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THANK YOU

# Commission Discussion and Votes

## 4. Executive Session Minutes (*Vote*)

1. November 25, 2024
2. December 4, 2024
3. March 13, 2025





**The Commission is in  
Executive Session**



# Upcoming Meetings & Adjournment

# Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates

*Public Meeting dates are tentative and subject to change*

## Next Meeting Date

**June 17, 2025**

Public Meeting  
Hybrid via Teams  
10:00 am

## 2025 Public Meetings\*

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| July 10      | October 9   |
| August 14    | October 23  |
| September 11 | November 12 |
| September 23 | December 11 |





# Additional Licensing Data

# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*The totals below are all license applications received to date.*

| Type                                  | #             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Pending                               | 234           |
| Withdrawn                             | 1,744         |
| Incomplete                            | 9,598         |
| Denied                                | 5             |
| Approved: Delivery Pre-certifications | 225           |
| Approved: Delivery Endorsements       | 5             |
| Approved: Licenses                    | 1,414         |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>13,225</b> |



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*The totals below are number of licenses approved by category.*

| Type                                                 | #            |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 4            |
| Marijuana Courier                                    | 25           |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator                          | 37           |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 20           |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 388          |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 36           |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 312          |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 2            |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 550          |
| Marijuana Third Party Transporter                    | 5            |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 10           |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>1,389</b> |



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

| Status                                                             | #            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Application Submitted: Awaiting Review                             | 1            |
| Application Reviewed: More Information Requested                   | 231          |
| Application Deemed Complete: Awaiting 3rd Party Responses          | 9            |
| All Information Received: Awaiting Commission Consideration        | 2            |
| Applications Considered by Commission (includes Delivery Pre-Cert) | 1,626        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                       | <b>1,869</b> |



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*The totals below are applications that have submitted all four packets and are pending review.*

| Type                                                     | #          |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                              | 2          |
| Delivery-Only Provisional Licensure (Part 2)             | 16         |
| Delivery-Only Pre-Certification (Part 1)                 | 18         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                           | 1          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                     | 43         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Provisional License (Part 2) | 10         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification (Part 1)   | 14         |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                                  | 11         |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                           | 33         |
| Marijuana Research Facility                              | 4          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                       | 58         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License     | 5          |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                       | 1          |
| Third Party Transporter                                  | 12         |
| Standards Laboratory                                     | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                             | <b>228</b> |



# Cultivation Applications | June 12, 2025

| Type                                                      | Pending Application | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License  | Commence Operation | Total             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Microbusiness w/ Tier 1 Cultivation (up to 5,000 sq. Ft.) | 10                  | 0                        | 4                      | 15                  | 3              | 14                 | 43                |
| Cultivation Tier 1 (Up to 5,000 sq. ft.)                  | 14                  | 0                        | 3                      | 37                  | 6              | 28                 | 89                |
| Cultivation Tier 2 (5,001-10,000 sq. ft.)                 | 6                   | 0                        | 7                      | 59                  | 4              | 39                 | 115               |
| Cultivation Tier 3 (10,001-20,000 sq. ft.)                | 6                   | 2                        | 8                      | 42                  | 2              | 29                 | 89                |
| Cultivation Tier 4 (20,001-30,000 sq. ft.)                | 1                   | 0                        | 3                      | 11                  | 3              | 10                 | 28                |
| Cultivation Tier 5 (30,001-40,000 sq. ft.)                | 3                   | 0                        | 9                      | 6                   | 1              | 11                 | 30                |
| Cultivation Tier 6 (40,001-50,000 sq. ft.)                | 3                   | 0                        | 4                      | 7                   | 0              | 8                  | 22                |
| Cultivation Tier 7 (50,001-60,000 sq. ft.)                | 2                   | 0                        | 1                      | 4                   | 0              | 4                  | 11                |
| Cultivation Tier 8 (60,001-70,000 sq. ft.)                | 1                   | 0                        | 0                      | 1                   | 0              | 3                  | 5                 |
| Cultivation Tier 9 (70,001-80,000 sq. ft.)                | 3                   | 0                        | 1                      | 3                   | 1              | 1                  | 9                 |
| Cultivation Tier 10 (80,001-90,000 sq. ft.)               | 1                   | 0                        | 1                      | 0                   | 0              | 6                  | 8                 |
| Cultivation Tier 11 (90,001-100,000 sq. ft.)              | 7                   | 0                        | 5                      | 14                  | 0              | 6                  | 32                |
| <b>Total</b>                                              | <b>57</b>           | <b>2</b>                 | <b>46</b>              | <b>199</b>          | <b>20</b>      | <b>159</b>         | <b>481</b>        |
| <b>Total Maximum Canopy (Sq. Ft.)</b>                     | <b>1,820,000</b>    | <b>40,000</b>            | <b>1,645,000</b>       | <b>4,560,000</b>    | <b>335,000</b> | <b>3,990,000</b>   | <b>12,390,000</b> |

+69.2%

+8.2%

\* Note: percentage is of "Total" Cultivation commence operations licenses

\*\*Note: Totals under "Total Maximum Canopy" do not reflect current canopy in use; rather the maximum that could be in use



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

| Type                           | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Marijuana Cultivator (Indoor)  | 38                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 37                     | 167                 | 15            | 121                | 379        |
| Marijuana Cultivator (Outdoor) | 9                   | N/A                       | 1                        | 5                      | 17                  | 2             | 24                 | 58         |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>47</b>           | <b>N/A</b>                | <b>2</b>                 | <b>42</b>              | <b>184</b>          | <b>17</b>     | <b>145</b>         | <b>438</b> |



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

Of 1,633 applications approved by the Commission, the following applications have Economic Empowerment Priority Review, Social Equity Program Participant, and/or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status. Please note, applicants may hold one or more statuses. **Please note that the end total represents the total number of applications/licenses at that step in the licensure process.**

| Type                                          | Economic Empowerment | Social Equity Program | Disadvantaged Business Enterprise | Total |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness | 45                   | 192                   | 28                                | 258   |
| Provisionally Approved                        | 11                   | 24                    | 25                                | 60    |
| Provisional License                           | 30                   | 87                    | 101                               | 218   |
| Final License                                 | 1                    | 6                     | 5                                 | 12    |
| Commence Operations                           | 34                   | 68                    | 96                                | 198   |
| Total                                         | 121                  | 377                   | 255                               | 746   |

+4.3%

+11.8%

+3.67%

\*Note: This represents the increase since June 2024



# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*The totals below are distinct license numbers that have submitted all required packets.*

**The 1,870 applications represent 1,078 separate entities**

| Type                          | #            |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| MTC Priority                  | 260          |
| Economic Empowerment Priority | 142          |
| Expedited Review              | 725          |
| General Applicant             | 743          |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>1,870</b> |

| Type                                         | #          |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| Expedited: License Type                      | 80         |
| Expedited: Social Equity Participant         | 382        |
| Expedited: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise | 194        |
| Expedited: Two or More Categories            | 69         |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>725</b> |

# Licensing Applications – EE Only | June 12, 2025

| Type                                                 | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 5                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 4                   | 0             | 4                  | 15         |
| Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification                  | 3                   | 31                        | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 34         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 3                      | 6                   | 0             | 0                  | 10         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 3                   | 0             | 3                  | 7          |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification        | 2                   | 14                        | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 16         |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 3                      | 3                   | 0             | 3                  | 10         |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 6                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 13                  | 1             | 24                 | 46         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 1                      | 1                   | 0             | 0                  | 3          |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                   | 0                   | 0                         | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>23</b>           | <b>45</b>                 | <b>0</b>                 | <b>11</b>              | <b>30</b>           | <b>1</b>      | <b>34</b>          | <b>144</b> |



# Licensing Applications – SEP Only | June 12, 2025

| Type                                                 | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 1                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 13                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 7                   | 3             | 9                  | 34         |
| Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification                  | 17                  | 84                        | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 101        |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 5                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 5                      | 21                  | 0             | 8                  | 39         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 7                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 6                      | 15                  | 1             | 16                 | 45         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification        | 11                  | 103                       | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 114        |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 4                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 5                   | 0             | 2                  | 11         |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 9                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 6                      | 17                  | 1             | 7                  | 40         |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 20                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 4                      | 20                  | 1             | 22                 | 68         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 1                      | 1                   | 0             | 2                  | 5          |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                   | 1                   | 5                         | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 2                  | 8          |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 4                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 4          |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>92</b>           | <b>192</b>                | <b>1</b>                 | <b>24</b>              | <b>87</b>           | <b>6</b>      | <b>68</b>          | <b>470</b> |



# Non-Active Licenses By Stage | June 12, 2025

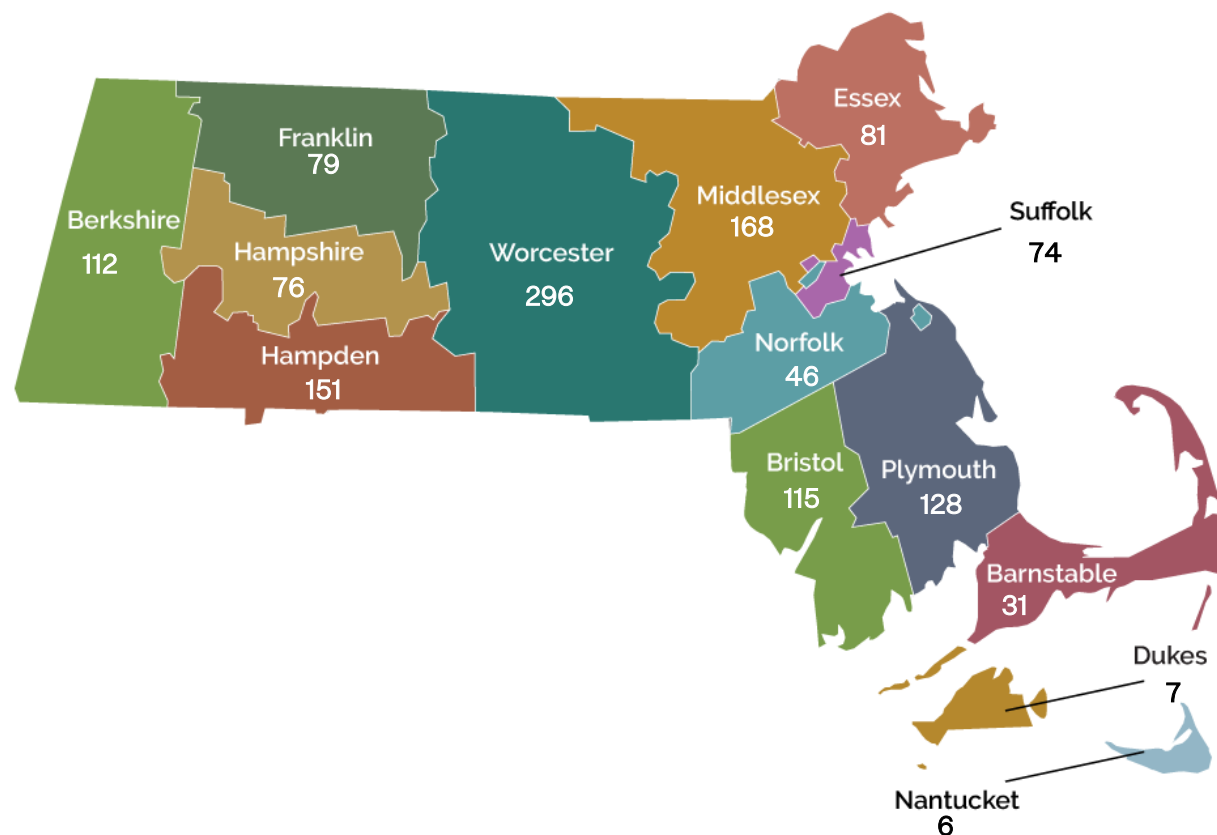
| Type                                                 | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 2                   | 0             | 0                  | 2          |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 8                   | 1             | 4                  | 13         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 2                   | 0             | 4                  | 6          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 128                 | 5             | 19                 | 152        |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 12                  | 0             | 2                  | 14         |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 10                  | 0             | 2                  | 13         |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 85                  | 5             | 17                 | 104        |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 53                  | 2             | 20                 | 74         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 2                   | 0             | 0                  | 2          |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 0                   | 0             | 1                  | 1          |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>302</b>          | <b>13</b>     | <b>69</b>          | <b>381</b> |



# Marijuana Establishment Licenses | June 12, 2025

*The totals below represent entities in each county that have achieved at least a provisional license*

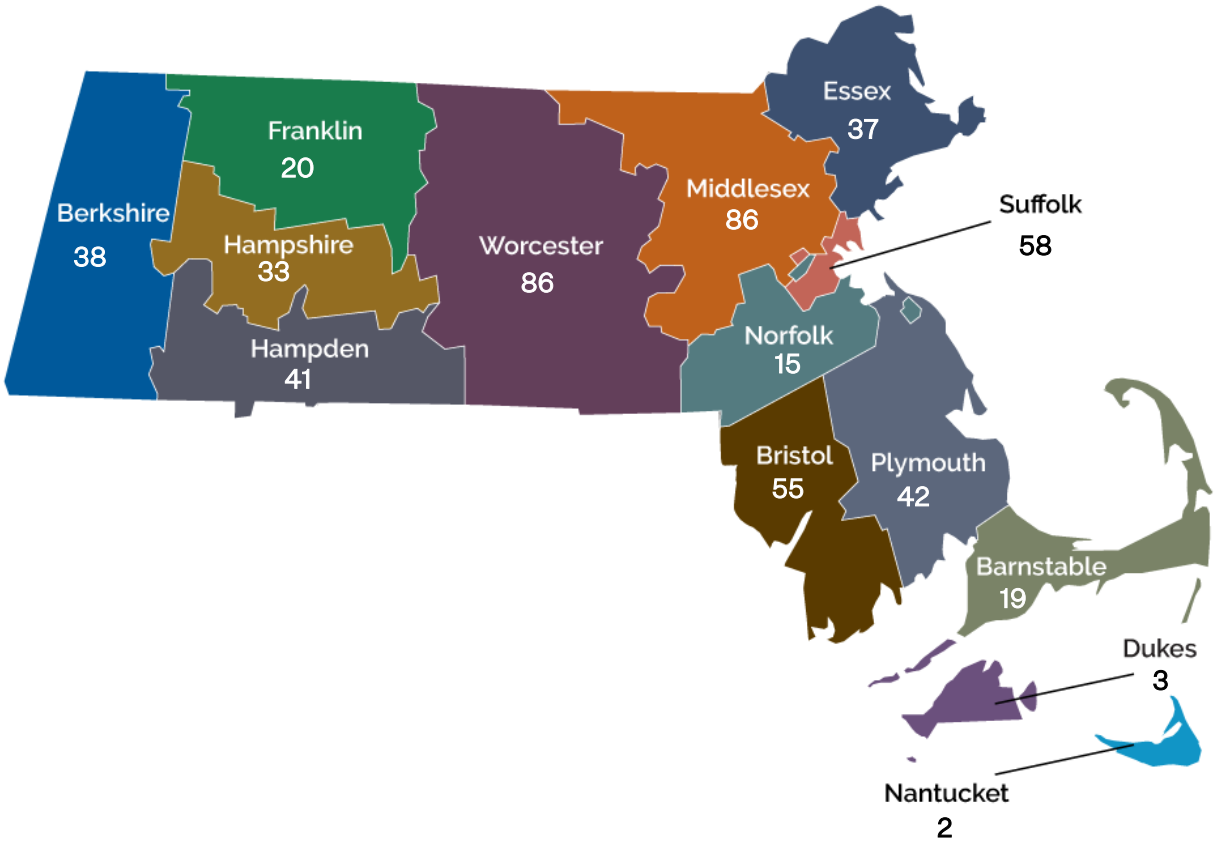
| County       | #            | +/-      |
|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Barnstable   | 31           | 0        |
| Berkshire    | 114          | 1        |
| Bristol      | 116          | 0        |
| Dukes        | 7            | 0        |
| Essex        | 82           | 0        |
| Franklin     | 79           | 0        |
| Hampden      | 152          | 0        |
| Hampshire    | 76           | 0        |
| Middlesex    | 174          | 1        |
| Nantucket    | 6            | 0        |
| Norfolk      | 47           | 0        |
| Plymouth     | 130          | 0        |
| Suffolk      | 78           | 0        |
| Worcester    | 297          | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1,389</b> | <b>2</b> |



# Marijuana Retailer Licenses | June 12, 2025

*The totals below are the total number of retail licenses by county.*

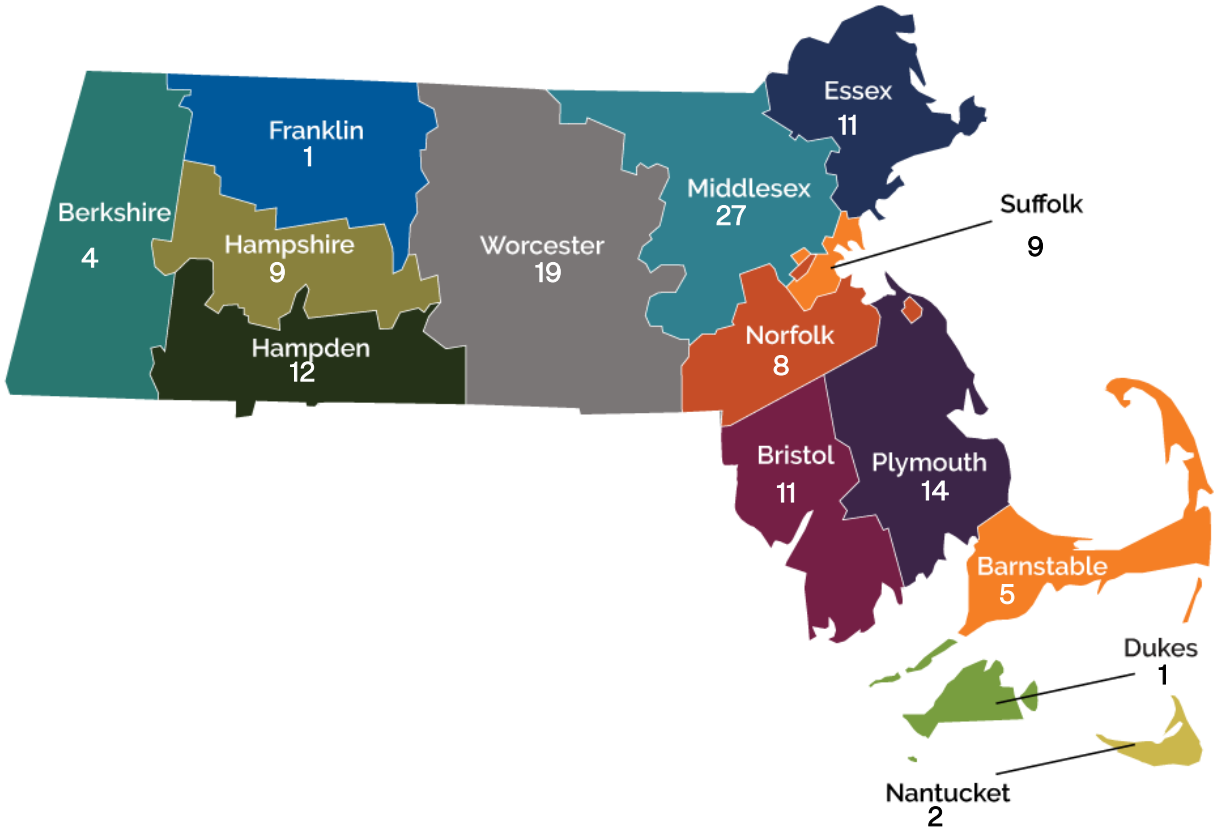
| County       | #          | +/-      |
|--------------|------------|----------|
| Barnstable   | 19         | 0        |
| Berkshire    | 40         | 0        |
| Bristol      | 56         | 0        |
| Dukes        | 3          | 0        |
| Essex        | 37         | 0        |
| Franklin     | 21         | 0        |
| Hampden      | 42         | 0        |
| Hampshire    | 33         | 0        |
| Middlesex    | 90         | 1        |
| Nantucket    | 2          | 0        |
| Norfolk      | 15         | 0        |
| Plymouth     | 43         | 0        |
| Suffolk      | 62         | 0        |
| Worcester    | 87         | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>550</b> | <b>1</b> |



# Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Licenses (Dispensing) June 12, 2025

The totals below are the total number of MTC (Dispensing) licenses by county.

| County     | #   |
|------------|-----|
| Barnstable | 5   |
| Berkshire  | 4   |
| Bristol    | 11  |
| Dukes      | 1   |
| Essex      | 11  |
| Franklin   | 1   |
| Hampden    | 12  |
| Hampshire  | 9   |
| Middlesex  | 27  |
| Nantucket  | 2   |
| Norfolk    | 8   |
| Plymouth   | 14  |
| Suffolk    | 9   |
| Worcester  | 19  |
| Total      | 133 |



# MMJ Licensing and Registration Data | June 12, 2025

*The numbers below are a snapshot of the program as of the month of May.*

| MTC Licenses        | #          |
|---------------------|------------|
| Provisional         | 2          |
| Final               | 2          |
| Commence Operations | <b>94</b>  |
| License Expired     | 95         |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>193</b> |

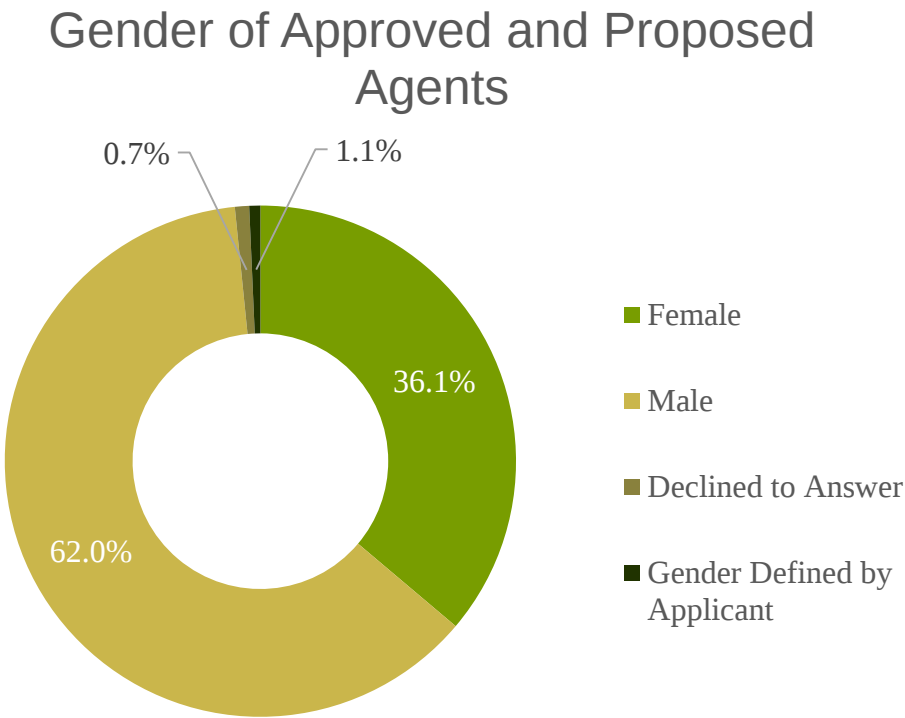
| MMJ Program                               | #             |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Certified Patients                        | 84,705        |
| Certified Active Patients                 | <b>80,989</b> |
| Active Caregivers                         | 5,894         |
| Registered Certifying Physicians          | 340           |
| Registered Certifying Nurse Practitioners | <b>131</b>    |
| Registered Physician Assistants           | 7             |
| Ounces Sold                               | 98,856        |



# Agent Applications | June 12, 2025

*Demographics of Approved and Pending Marijuana Establishment Agents*

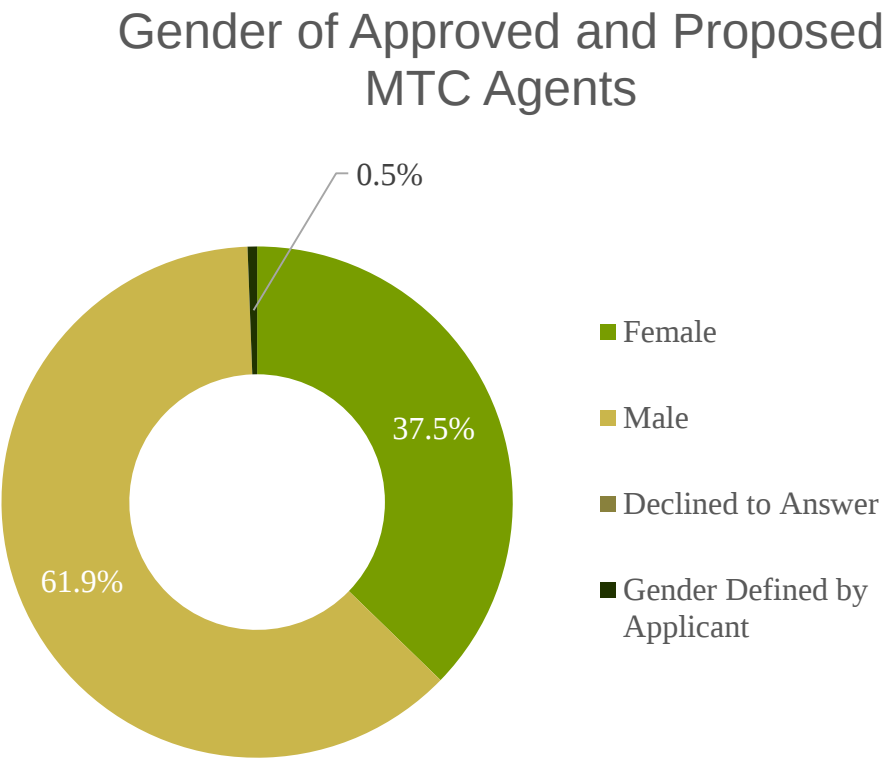
| Gender                      | #             | %             |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Female                      | 7,766         | 36.1%         |
| Male                        | 13,331        | 62.0%         |
| Declined to Answer          | 229           | 1.1%          |
| Gender Defined by Applicant | 160           | 0.7%          |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>21,486</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |



# Agent Applications | June 12, 2025

*Demographics of Approved and Pending Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Agents*

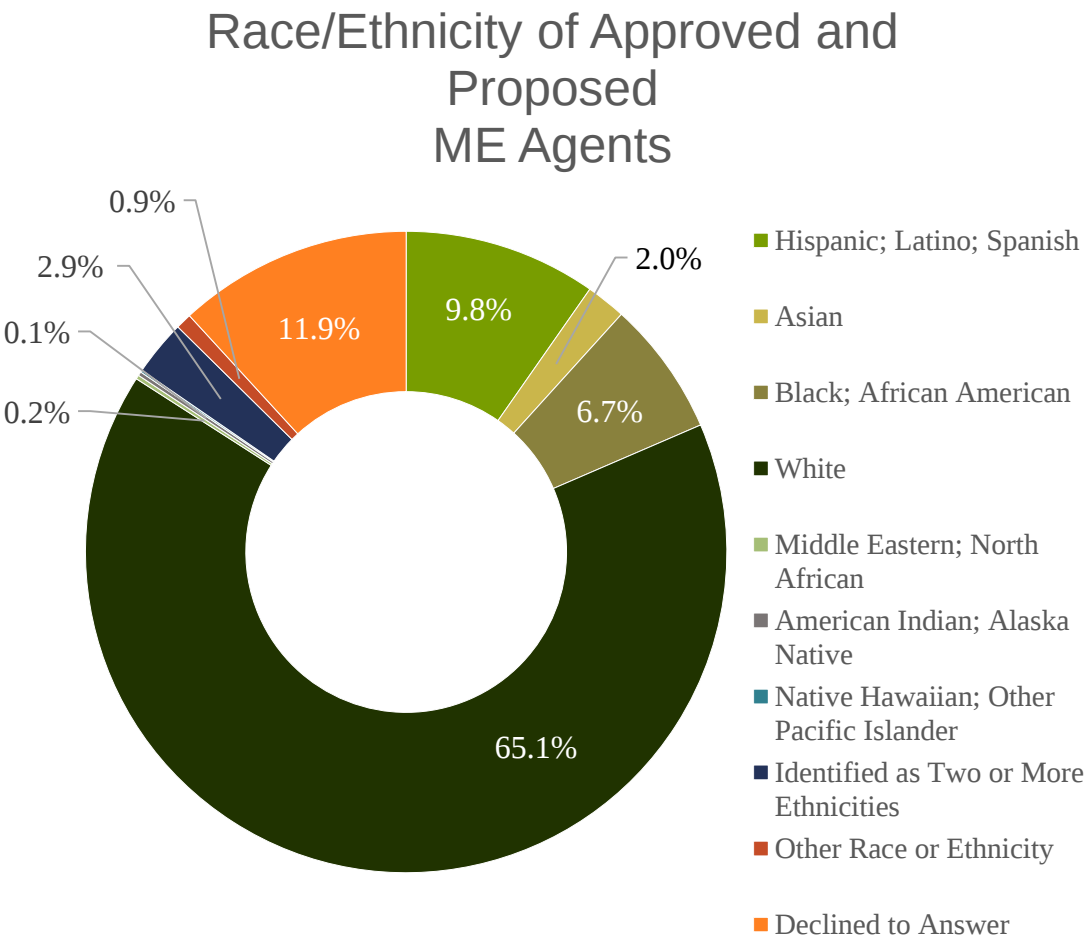
| Gender                      | #            | %             |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Female                      | 2,056        | 37.5%         |
| Male                        | 3,430        | 61.9%         |
| Declined to Answer          | 0            | 0.0%          |
| Gender Defined by Applicant | 32           | 0.5%          |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>5,518</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |



# Agent Applications | June 12, 2025

Demographics of Approved and Pending Marijuana Establishment Agents

| Race/Ethnicity                          | #             | %             |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hispanic; Latino; Spanish               | 2,113         | 9.8%          |
| Asian                                   | 435           | 2.0%          |
| Black; African American                 | 1,450         | 6.7%          |
| White                                   | 13,996        | 65.1%         |
| Middle Eastern; North African           | 51            | 0.2%          |
| American Indian; Alaska Native          | 40            | 0.2%          |
| Native Hawaiian; Other Pacific Islander | 16            | 0.1%          |
| Identified as Two or More Ethnicities   | 624           | 2.9%          |
| Other Race or Ethnicity                 | 196           | 0.9%          |
| Declined to Answer                      | 2,565         | 11.9%         |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>21,486</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

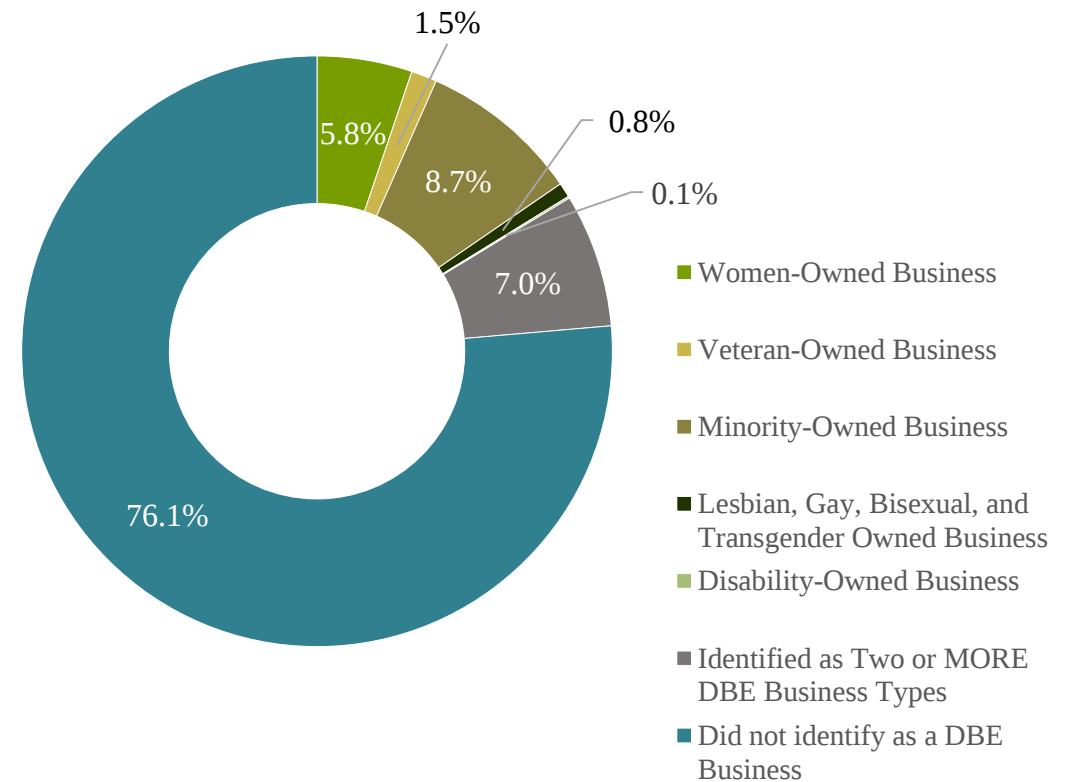


# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Statistics for Approved Licensees*

| Type                                                   | #            | % of Group    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Women-Owned Business                                   | 95           | 5.8%          |
| Veteran-Owned Business                                 | 25           | 1.5%          |
| Minority-Owned Business                                | 142          | 8.7%          |
| Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Owned Business | 13           | 0.8%          |
| Disability-Owned Business                              | 2            | 0.1%          |
| Identified as Two or MORE DBE Business Types           | 115          | 7.0%          |
| Did not identify as a DBE Business                     | 1,247        | 76.1%         |
| <b>Total</b>                                           | <b>1,639</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

DBE Statistics Approved Licensees

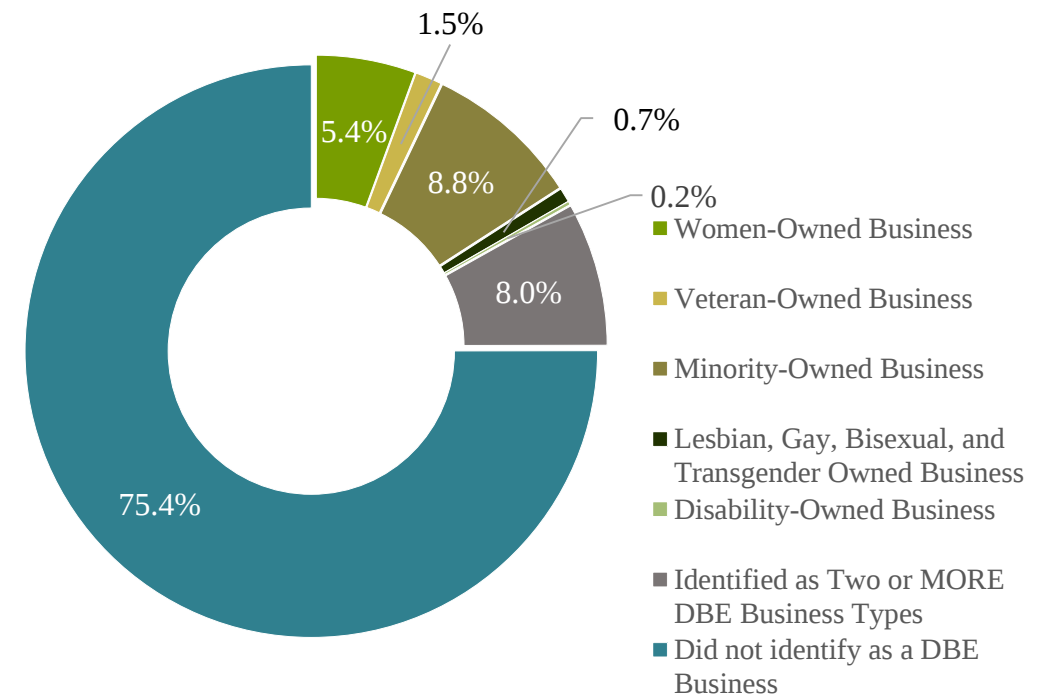


# Licensing Applications | June 12, 2025

*Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Statistics for Pending and Approved License Applications*

| Type                                                   | #            | % of Group    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Women-Owned Business                                   | 102          | 5.4%          |
| Veteran-Owned Business                                 | 28           | 1.5%          |
| Minority-Owned Business                                | 164          | 8.8%          |
| Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Owned Business | 14           | 0.7%          |
| Disability-Owned Business                              | 4            | 0.2%          |
| Identified as Two or MORE DBE Business Types           | 149          | 8.0%          |
| Did not identify as a DBE Business                     | 1,412        | 75.4%         |
| <b>Total</b>                                           | <b>1,873</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

DBE Statistics for Pending & Approved License Applications



# Adult Use Agent Applications | June 12, 2025

## Total Agent Applications: 87,729

- 172 Total Pending
  - 169 Pending Establishment Agents
  - 3 Pending Laboratory Agents
- 4,169 Withdrawn
- 3,060 Incomplete
- 7,690 Expired
- 51,290 Surrendered
- 6 Denied / 2 Revoked
- 26 Suspended
- **21,314 Active**

## Of the 169 Total Pending:

- 21 not yet reviewed
- 150 CCC requested more information
- 1 awaiting third party response
- 0 review complete; awaiting approval



# Medical Use Agent Applications | June 12, 2025

*The total number of MTC agent applications received by status.*

| MTC Agent Application                 | #             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Pending MTC Agent Applications        | 2             |
| Pending Laboratory Agent Applications | 0             |
| Incomplete                            | 34            |
| Revoked                               | 13            |
| Denied                                | 31            |
| Surrendered                           | 22,043        |
| Expired                               | 3,743         |
| Active                                | 5,518         |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>31,384</b> |





**The Commission is in recess  
until 11:02**