

Vermont Cannabis Equity Coalition 2023 Priorities

1. *20% of Tax Revenue to Reinvestment in Communities Disproportionately harmed in a Community reinvestment fund administered by members of these communities*
2. *10% Revenue to the Cannabis Business Development Fund*
3. *Direct Markets and value added for smaller tiers of cultivators and manufacturers*
 - *On-farm and off-farm direct sales allowances for Cultivation Tiers 1,2 Indoor; 1,2,3 Mixed; 1,2,3 Outdoor*
 - *Includes allowances for all cultivators to sell products manufactured from their plants wholesale; and the “direct market” tiers to also directly market particular manufactured products*
4. *Agricultural Use and Exemptions*
 - *All outdoor cannabis cultivation shall be treated as agriculture at the municipal level, including the outdoor cultivation aspects of “mixed tier” licenses.*
 - *Extend Tier 1 current use and other ag related privileges to all tiers of outdoor cultivation*
5. *Increasing Homegrow Allowances to 6 mature, 12 immature plants (the proposed new medical allowances)*
6. *Complete Expungement of any and all Cannabis Related Charges and Not Re-criminalizing*
 - *Public consumption anywhere tobacco is allowed*
 - *Burden on the renter to get permission currently - model this after NY where one is allowed to consume unless specifically prohibited, and can't limit all forms of consumption (ie edibles, etc.)*
7. *The Tier 1 manufacturing license is not economically feasible - increase the income limit*
 - *Currently costs too much to afford with the limit of income allowed to qualify for it.*
8. *Breeding License*
 - *Separate license*
 - *Some precedent in other States; in some cases can't sell flower at all from this license type*
 - *Both breeding and cultivators licenses can sell live immature plants*
9. *Licensure / regulation of live Plant Sales:*
 - *Allow cultivators to sell seeds and living plants they grow directly to customers.*
 - *Propagation License allowance of sales directly to the public.*
10. *Support for Green Mountain Patients' Alliance's proposed medical cannabis policies*