# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE & MENTORSHIP WORK GROUP

OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

#### RECAP- SEPT 14 TASK FORCE MEETING

#### TA & MENTORSHIP WORKGROUP PROPOSALS

- The department of commerce use the funds from 2022 to implement the cannabis mentorship program
- To expand the financial assistance as new use of funds for technical assistance dollars (Recommendation to the legislator).
- 3. To increase the allotment for the technical assistance mentorship grant program. Asking for 10% of the cannabis tax revenue that currently goes into the state general fund.
- 4. To reserve 5% of the cannabis tax revenue that currently goes to the state general fund for low interest loans for social equity cannabis license holders.
- 5. That current license holders that meet the definition of social equity be eligible for grant dollars.

Source: Social Equity in Cannabis Taskforce Meeting September 14, 2021

#### **DISCUSSION: COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT**

#### **Around the Country**

#### **New York**

40% of tax revenue goes into a community grants reinvestment fund.

#### Illinois

25% of tax revenue goes into the "Recover, Reinvest, Renew" grant program to benefit disadvantaged communities.

#### **Portland**

SEED "Social Equity and Educational Development" Allocated funding to grass-roots organizations.

#### DISCUSSION: NOW WHAT CAN WASHINGTON DO?

**Washington State** 



30% of cannabis tax revenue goes into the general fund

2021-2023 Biennium Estimated - \$338.5 million (over the two-year budget cycle)

#### **DISCUSSION: COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT IDEAS**

#### **Whole Community Support Channels**

- 1. Education
- 2. Housing and Home Ownership
- 3. Small Business
- 4. The Arts
- 5. College Scholarships
- 6. Digital Equity (Broadband & Devices)
- 7. Food Insecurity
- 8. Mental Health
- 9. Health Care















## BREAKDOWN OF CURRENT CANNABIS APPROPRIATIONS

RC	<b>FY 20 Actual*</b> Total \$429,318,900				
	\$125,000	НСА	HCA to coordinate healthy youth survey work	\$48,590,338 total to HCA	
FIRST STEP - Annual Appropriations	\$50,000	HCA/WSIPP	HCA/WSIPP to analyze reports required under RCW 69.50.550 until those reports end in 2032	\$48,590,338 total to HCA	
	\$5,000	UW	UW alcohol and drug abuse institute	\$393,951 total to UW and WSU	
	\$1,250,000	LCB	LCB for admin of cannabis statutes (as directed by omnibus appropriations bill)	??	
	\$2,423,000	WSP	until 2023 for WSP Drug Enforcement Task Force	\$2,373,626	
	\$464,000	Ecology	for 2021, \$270,000 for 2022, \$276,000 for 2023 to Ecology for accrediting marijuana product testing laboratories	\$367,292	
	\$808,000	DOH	until 2023 to DOH for admin of the marijuana authorization database	\$10,193,648 total to DOH	
	\$635,000	Dept Ag	for 2021, \$621,000 for 2022, \$627,000 for 2023 to Dept of Ag for compliance-based lab analysis of pesticides in marijuana	\$621,073	
	\$1,650,000	Commerce	for 2022, \$1,650,000 for 2023 to Commerce to fund the marijuana social equity technical assistance competitive grant program RCW 43.330.540	NA	
	\$163,000	Commerce	for 2022, \$159,000 for 2023 to Commerce to establish roster of mentors as part of the cannabis social equity technical assistance grant program	NA	

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	Up to 15%	НСА	Up to 15% to HCA for prevention work (85% for new programs/services and 15% to best practices). Each fiscal year, legislative appropriation must be a minimum of \$25,536,000.	\$48,590,338 total to HCA
SECOND STEP - After first step, must appropriate	Up to 10%	DOH	Up to 10% to DOH for marijuana public health program and WA poison control center. Public health program must include a hotline providing referrals for substance abuse treatment providers, a grants program for local health departments/community agencies doing coordinated intervention strategies preventing marijuana use by youth, and media-based education campaigns. Each fiscal year, legislative appropriation must be a minimum of \$9,750,000.	\$10,193,648 total to DOH
81% of the remainder as follows	Up to 1%	UW & WSU	Up to 0.6% to UW and 0.4% to WSU for research on marijuana use. Each fiscal year (except 19-21 and 21-23 biennia), legislative appropriation must be a minimum of \$1,021,000 to UW and \$681,000 to WSU.	\$393,951 total to UW and WSU
	50%	Basic Health Plan	50% to state basic health plan trust account administered by WA basic health plan administrator (70.47 RCW)	\$213,000,000
	5%	НСА	5% to HCA to use through community health centers to provide health/dental care, migrant & maternity health services (RCW 41.02.220)	\$48,590,338 total to HCA
	Up to 0.3%	OSPI	Up to 0.3% to OSPI to fund grants to building bridges programs (Chapter 28A.175 RCW). Each fiscal year, legislative appropriation must be a minimum of \$511,000.	\$455,972

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THIRD STEP - Remainder goes to General Funds UNLESS if remainder exceeds \$25 million, 30% is distributed to counties, cities, and	30% of up to \$20 million 70% of up to	Local Govt Local Govt	30% to counties, cities, towns where retailers are physically located. Each jurisdiction gets a proportional share of the total revenues generated in their jurisdiction from taxes paid by the retailers in their jurisdiction. Cities and towns get 100% of the proportional amount attributed to retailers in their city/town.  70% to counties, cities, towns on a per capita basis. Counties must get 60% based on their total proportional population as	\$15,000,000
towns as follows (capped at \$20 million total as of 2021, \$15 million prior)	\$20 million Remainder	General Fund	on their total proportional population as long as they don't prohibit siting of any producer, processor, or retailer.  70% to counties, cities, towns on a per capita basis. Counties must get 60% based on their total proportional population as long as they don't prohibit siting of any producer, processor, or retailer.	\$137,000,000

#### DISCUSSION: GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1. What does the group think about recommending that the 30% that goes to the state general fund to go into community reinvestment?
- Do we want the current funds from the cannabis tax dollars going into disproportionality Impacted Areas and communities.

#### DISCUSSION: GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1. Why are we re-investing in community?
- 2. Who is eligible for the funding?
- 3. When/Timeline How long does this reinvestment piece go for?
- 4. How are the dollars dispersed