



Cannabis Control Board

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FEBRUARY 18, 2025

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome and Opening Remarks
- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the January 9, 2025, Board Meeting
- IV. Consideration of Delegation of Certain Subpoena Powers from the Cannabis Control Board to the Office of Cannabis Management
- V. Consideration of Adult-Use Applications for Approval
- VI. Consideration of Location Change and Tier Change Amendments
- VII. Consideration of Cannabis Research Licenses
- VIII. Consideration of Registered Organizations Application for Approval

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- IX. Consideration of Registered Organization Dispensary Location
- X. Consideration of Amendments to the Proposed Public Convenience and Advantage (PCA) Regulations
- XII. Consideration of Municipal Opinion Responses
- XIII. Consideration of Administrative Law Hearing Appeals
- XIV. Public Comment
- XV. Adjourn

CHAIR WRIGHT OPENING REMARKS

- **Welcome Back:** 2025 is off to a great start, and we continue to build on that momentum as we continue our mission of building a thriving and equitable cannabis industry for New York State.
- **\$1 Billion Milestone:** Last month, New York's legal cannabis industry officially surpassed \$1 billion in retail sales.
- **Looking Ahead:** This milestone is just the beginning. 2025 is a year of growth and action. We remain committed to expanding opportunities for equity applicants, strengthening enforcement to ensure a fair market, and continuing to invest in communities most impacted by past cannabis prohibition.



WELCOME BOARD MEMBER BRAD USHER

THANK YOU DR. JENNIFER GILBERT JENKINS

THANK YOU TABATHA ROBINSON

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THANK YOU DR. NICOLE ROSA



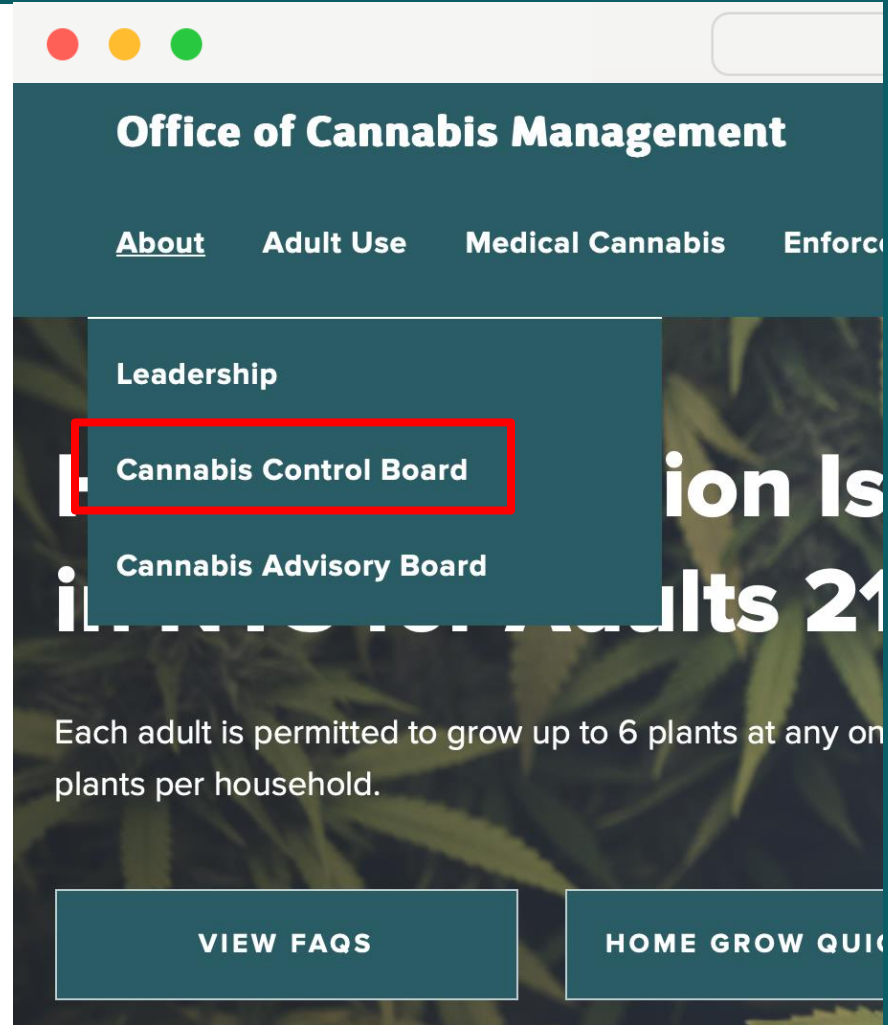
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 9, 2025, BOARD MEETING

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, within two weeks, the following is provided on cannabis.ny.gov on the Cannabis Control Board page:

- Meeting minutes
- Meeting transcript
- Meeting video

The public was provided with information on how to access this meeting in the Public Notice. An unabridged video recording, an unabridged transcript, will be made available on the OCM website within two weeks of the Board meeting.



CONSIDERATION OF DELEGATION OF CERTAIN SUBPOENA POWERS TO THE OFFICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03

- Threats to the integrity of the market become more complex and more frequent as the market matures. Often, these violations are hidden from oversight and buried in complex agreements.
- The Office needs additional tools to pursue more complex investigations which would reveal violations of the Cannabis Law and regulations that impact the integrity of the market.
- One of the tools needed to efficiently pursue complex investigations is the **issuance of subpoenas for testimony and the administering of oaths**.
- The CCB, pursuant to subdivision 6 of §10 of Cannabis Law, has the power to hold hearings, subpoena witnesses, compel attendance, administer oaths, examine any person under oath and in connection therewith to require the production of any books and records.
- The CCB, pursuant to subdivision 23 of §10 of Cannabis Law, has authority to delegate powers under §10 to the Office.
- This resolution delegates authority to any attorney assigned to the Office of General Counsel within the Office. Authority will primarily be utilized by the Office's new **Trade Practices Bureau** which is charged with conducting these investigations.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03: CONSIDERATION OF DELEGATION OF CERTAIN SUBPOENA POWERS TO THE OFFICE

CONSIDERATION OF ADULT-USE CANNABIS LICENSES

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04

- On October 4, 2023, OCM opened an application window for adult-use licenses. The application window included applications for cultivators, processors, distributors, retail dispensaries and microbusinesses.
- The application window closed on November 17, 2023, for retail and microbusiness applications who were applying with a location. The remaining applications closed on December 18, 2023. Overall, nearly 7,000 applications were received.
- **74 AU applications** are being recommended for approval today and all have satisfied the necessary requirements in accordance with the Cannabis Law and regulations.
- The Office is actively reviewing and issuing additional adult-use licenses on a rolling basis. If the Office has been in contact with you, please respond to any deficiency letter with the requested information to keep your application processing.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04: CONSIDERATION OF ADULT-USE CANNABIS LICENSES

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Application ID	License Type	Entity Name
OCMDIST-2023-000058	Adult-Use Distributor License	HERBAL HARVEST OF BUFFALO LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000071	Adult-Use Distributor License	Ultimate Supplement Manufacturing Inc
OCMDIST-2023-000152	Adult-Use Distributor License	American Legacy Cannabis Company, LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000200	Adult-Use Distributor License	Dumbo Electric LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000276	Adult-Use Distributor License	5PC LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000312	Adult-Use Distributor License	FLX EXTRACTS LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000118	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Donna's Buds & Edibles Farm LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000129	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/ Retail	Three Cord Ranch LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000222	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Verdant Farms LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000286	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Block Work Global LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000332	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Magical Weeds LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000378	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Brooklyn Micro LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000395	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Jeremiah W clifford
OCMMICR-2023-000411	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Dank Nugs LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000545	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Cannurban NY LLC



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OCMMICR-2023-000601	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	JNY GROUP, LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000080	Adult-Use Processor License	Jeanette Padilla Negi
OCMPROC-2023-000085	Adult-Use Processor License	CM Spencer Processing LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000101	Adult-Use Processor License	apache consultant & management inc
OCMPROC-2023-000202	Adult-Use Processor License	Lion's Mane Infusions, LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000208	Adult-Use Processor License	Gron NY LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000214	Adult-Use Processor License	QDM GROUP INC
OCMPROC-2023-000239	Adult-Use Processor License	99th Floor Products LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000255	Adult-Use Processor License	New York Grower Cup LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000261	Adult-Use Processor License	TISSA LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000262	Adult-Use Processor License	TribeTokes LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000265	Adult-Use Processor License	ESLSUGAR LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000282	Adult-Use Processor License	UKIYO NICHOL LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000286	Adult-Use Processor License	NAY-TAY LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000345	Adult-Use Processor License	Breakfast Connections LLC



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OCMPROC-2023-000451	Adult-Use Processor License	MIX NYC LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000467	Adult-Use Processor License	Canna Study, LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000489	Adult-Use Processor License	Ape New York LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000521	Adult-Use Processor License	Upstate Mary LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000537	Adult-Use Processor License	TumBell LLC
OCMPROC2-2024-000004	Adult-Use Processor License	Roxanne Burford
OCMPT3B-2024-000004	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Durban Dames of New York LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000005	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Mrs. C Botanicals LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000006	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	BUDDFELLAS, INC
OCMPT3B-2024-000010	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Banzzy870 LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000011	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	TOKESY LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000012	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	JOE ROTA'S LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000013	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Sky Blue Stables, LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000017	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Linda Shen
OCMPT3B-2024-000018	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	David Chun



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OCMPT3B-2024-000022	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Rosie's Cannabis LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000026	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Flying Leaf LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000032	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	IMDIAW LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000033	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	The House of Hash, LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000035	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Robert D Tollin
OCMPT3B-2024-000036	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	In The Klouds NY LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000037	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	SeedToFire LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000041	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	CANNA SUDZ LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000044	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	HI SUN MANAGEMENT LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000046	Adult-Use Processor License Branding	Asteria Cannabis Farm LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000350	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	IGAL CONSULTING, INC.
OCMRETL-2023-000547	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Nipapoa LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000553	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Decades Hamburg
OCMRETL-2023-000634	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Greenerie LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000941	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	HORNBILL INC.



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OCMRETL-2023-001290	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	14707 45 th LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001318	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	10613 Northern LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001571	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	HIGH CITY CANNABIS LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001656	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Green Comfort Inc.
OCMRETL-2023-001695	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Kingston Cannabis
OCMRETL-2023-001703	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	JWA DH Inc
OCMRETL-2023-001739	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	TopTierCo, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001765	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Best Budz Cannabis Co. LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001872	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Empire Dreams, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001969	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Crown and Gavel LLC
OCMRETL-2023-002172	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	xylocopa exotics llc
OCMCAURDP-2023-000092	Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensary	Dynasty Commodities, Inc
OCMCAURDP-2024-000057	Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensary	Root 13, LLC
OCMCAURDP-2024-000080	Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensary	Piffords Inc



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ADULT-USE CANNABIS LICENSE TOTALS

License Type	February Board Meeting	Total Licenses Issued
Adult-Use Cultivator License	0	200
Adult-Use Distributor License	6	186
Adult-Use Microbusiness License	10	240
Adult-Use Processor License	39	329
Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	16	318
CAURD Final Licensed	3	240
Total	74	1,510

CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN LOCATION AND/OR TIER CHANGE AMENDMENTS FOR CANNABIS LICENSEES

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05

- Sections 13(1), 67(2), 126(1), and 129 of the Cannabis Law allows the Board to authorize amendments to cannabis licenses and permits. Sections 120.18(d)(1)(iii), 132.9(g)(ii), and 130.7(f) of Title 9 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations outline the criteria for such amendments.
- The Office of Cannabis Management launched an amendment survey on August 27, 2024, which allows adult-use cannabis licensees to request certain amendments including location or cultivation tier changes which require Board approval in accordance with the cannabis regulations. The Office has begun the review of amendments submitted and will be reviewing requests on a rolling basis.
- For the applications listed in the attached resolution, the Office is recommending approval. The licensees have provided all necessary information in accordance with the cannabis regulations.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05: CONSIDERATION OF LOCATION CHANGE AMENDMENTS

CONSIDERATION OF CANNABIS RESEARCH LICENSES

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06

- Pursuant to Section 38 of the Cannabis Law, the Board has the authority to approve and license individuals interested in producing, processing, purchasing, and/or possessing cannabis for research purposes.
- Cannabis research licensees may obtain cannabis products from regulated NYS dispensaries, cultivators, and processors across the state, which opens the door to valuable research partnerships and collaborations.
- The following individuals have applied to the Office to be cannabis research licensees:

OCM-RSCHAPP-24-0009

(Multi-site: New Windsor, Middletown, New York and Warwick, NY)

OCM-RSCHAPP-24-0011 (New Kingston, NY)

- The Office has reviewed these applications for project quality, study design, value, and impact and believes the applicants have the appropriate expertise and infrastructure to successfully perform the proposed research.



 **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06: CONSIDERATION OF CANNABIS RESEARCH LICENSES**

Scan QR code or visit
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research to learn about
Cannabis Research
Licenses.



CONSIDERATION OF REGISTERED ORGANIZATION APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-07

- Section 35(9) of the Cannabis Law states that the Board shall register additional registered organizations in the Medical Cannabis Program to provide services to unserved and underserved areas of the state and shall actively promote racial, ethnic, and gender diversity when registering additional registered organizations.
- The Board approved the application under [Resolution No. 2023-34](#) and the Office has been diligently reviewing applications since last year.
- For the registration listed in the attached resolution, the Office is recommending approval. The applicant has provided all necessary information in accordance with the cannabis regulations.

Application Number	Business Name
561	Green Express Med, LLC



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-07: CONSIDERATION OF REGISTERED ORGANIZATION APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

CONSIDERATION OF REGISTERED ORGANIZATION DISPENSARY LOCATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-08

Pursuant to Section 35(3)(e) of the Cannabis Law, the Board may amend a registered organization's registration, in part to allow a registered organization to add additional dispensaries as allowed under the Cannabis Law.

Registered Organization: Hudson Health Extracts

New Dispensing Facility Location:

355 Main St • Catskill, NY 12414

Proposed Facility Name: Gudflwr

Proposed Hours of Operation:

Mon-Sat: 10AM-8PM • Sun: Closed

🔍 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-08: CONSIDERATION OF REGISTERED ORGANIZATION DISPENSARY LOCATION



CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND ADVANTAGE REGULATIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-09

- Proposed amendments to **Parts 118.1 and 119.4** were published in the State Register on October 23, 2024, per board resolution ([Resolution No. 2024-96](#)). Those amendments addressed the process for applicants to seek approval from location restrictions based on public convenience and advantage.
- After public comment concluded on December 23, 2024, OCM has determined that additional amendments should be made, requiring that a Notice of Revised Rulemaking be published in the State Register allowing for additional public comments.
- Additional revisions include: a minimum set of distances within which a PCA request is not available; prohibitions on PCA requests when more than one licensee is within restricted zone; limits on requests until existing dispensaries have had at least 9 months of operation; additional notification requirements to municipalities and affected licensees, and procedural requirements for the PCA request application.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-09: CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND ADVANTAGE REGULATIONS

CONSIDERATION OF MUNICIPAL OPINION RESPONSES

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-10

- § 76(4) of the Cannabis Law provides that when a city, town, or village within NYS, or a community board within NYC expresses an opinion on the Board's issuance of a License within their geographic bounds, **the Board shall respond in writing with an explanation as to how it considered the Opinion.**
- At the July 2024 CCB meeting, the Board delegated to the Office the ability to respond to municipalities that issued positive or neutral opinion—**the Board retained the authority to issue letters for municipalities that provided a negative opinion.**
- The **seven (7) letters** attached to this resolution are responses from the Board to respond to the municipalities who have issued a **negative** opinion.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-10: CONSIDERATION OF MUNICIPAL OPINION RESPONSES

CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

Article 2 of the Cannabis Law §§ 10 and 17:

The Cannabis Control Board (“Board”) is charged with the responsibility of issuing a final determination when an administrative decision is appealed.

The proposed decisions were provided in advance of today’s meeting and posted on the OCM website.

- 3 appeal matters for review
- OCM conducted a Regulatory Inspection and issued an Order to Seal (“OTS”) based on unlicensed activity
- Hearing held with the Office of Administrative Hearing (“OAH”)
- Decision issued and the OTS was extended for one year
- Appellants submit the instant appeals to the Board for review (Title 9 of the New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations § 133.25[k])

Z SNACKS INC. V. OCM

INSP. NO. 102 2024 0605 0002

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-11

Appellant asserts the OTS was erroneously extended because OCM failed to establish proper and sufficient service in accordance with jurisdictional requirements mandated by Cannabis Law § 138-b.

Recommendation: Deny Appellant's appeal and affirm the hearing decision:

- Substantial evidence establishing service on Appellant; and
- Defense of lack of jurisdiction based on improper service is personal in nature; Appellant may not raise on behalf of another.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-11: CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW HEARING APPEALS

ZEN ZONE 1 CORP. V. OCM

INSP. NO. 115 2024 0604 0005

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12

Appellant asserts the OTS was erroneously extended because:

- OCM failed to establish proper and sufficient service in accordance with jurisdictional requirements mandated by Cannabis Law § 138-b;
- Insufficient evidence to establish Zen Zone 1 Corp was business inspected.

Recommendation: Deny Appellant's appeal and affirm the hearing decision:

- Substantial evidence establishing service on Appellant; Defense of lack of jurisdiction based on improper service is personal in nature; Appellant may not raise on behalf of another.
- Record contained substantial evidence that Zen Zone 1 Corp was business inspected.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12: CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW HEARING APPEALS

THE JERK SHACK LLC V. OCM

INSP. NO. 115 2024 0626 0020

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-13

Appellant asserts the OTS was erroneously extended because:

- OCM failed to establish proper and sufficient service in accordance with jurisdictional requirements mandated by Cannabis Law § 138-b;
- Notice of Violation, Cease Order, and OTS were facially insufficient lacking essential elements.

Recommendation: Grant Appellant's appeal and the relief requested:

- Appellant timely objected and preserved the issue;
- The omissions in this matter are substantive elements of the charges;
- Appellant was not provided fair notice of the charges.



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-13: CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW HEARING APPEALS

OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT REPORT

MARKET UPDATE

SOCIAL & ECONOMIC EQUITY UPDATE

ENVIRONMENT UPDATE

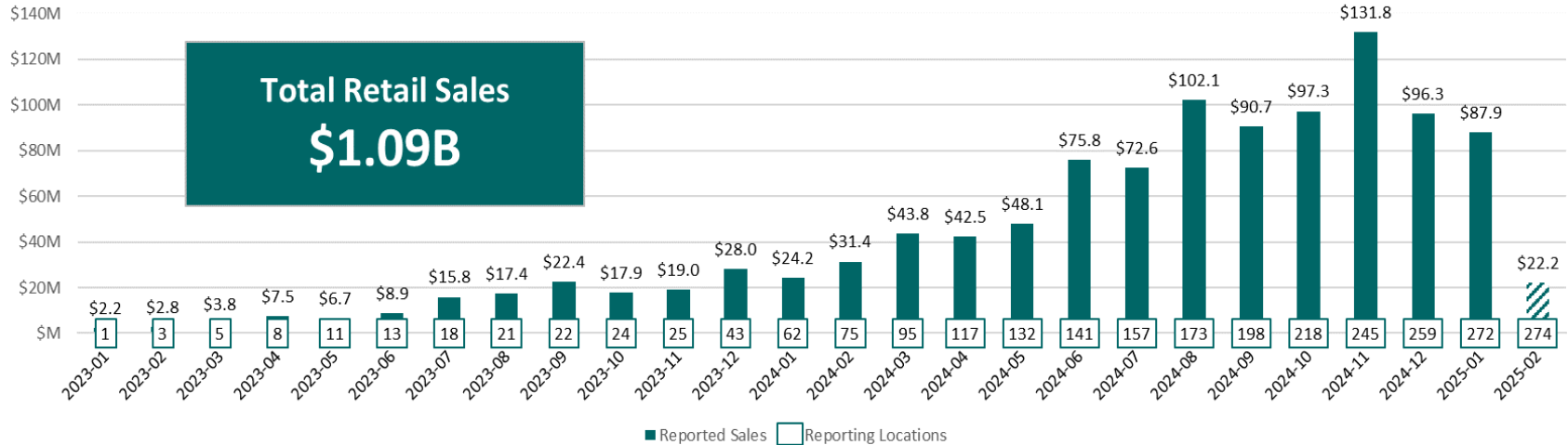
COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT GRANTS UPDATE

SEED-TO-SALE UPDATE

MARKET UPDATE

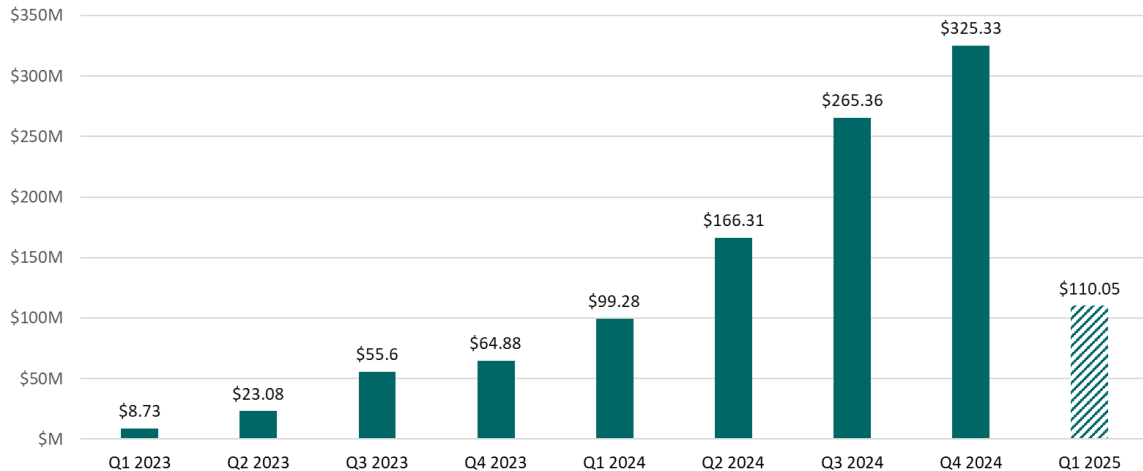
TOTAL SALES SINCE MARKET LAUNCH SURPASSED \$1 BILLION IN DECEMBER

New York Cannabis Reported Retail Sales By Month



JUST 1 MONTH INTO 2025 NEW YORK EXCEEDS \$110M IN RETAIL SALES

New York Cannabis Reported Retail Sales
By Quarter



Retail Revenue Totals

2023

\$160 million*

2024

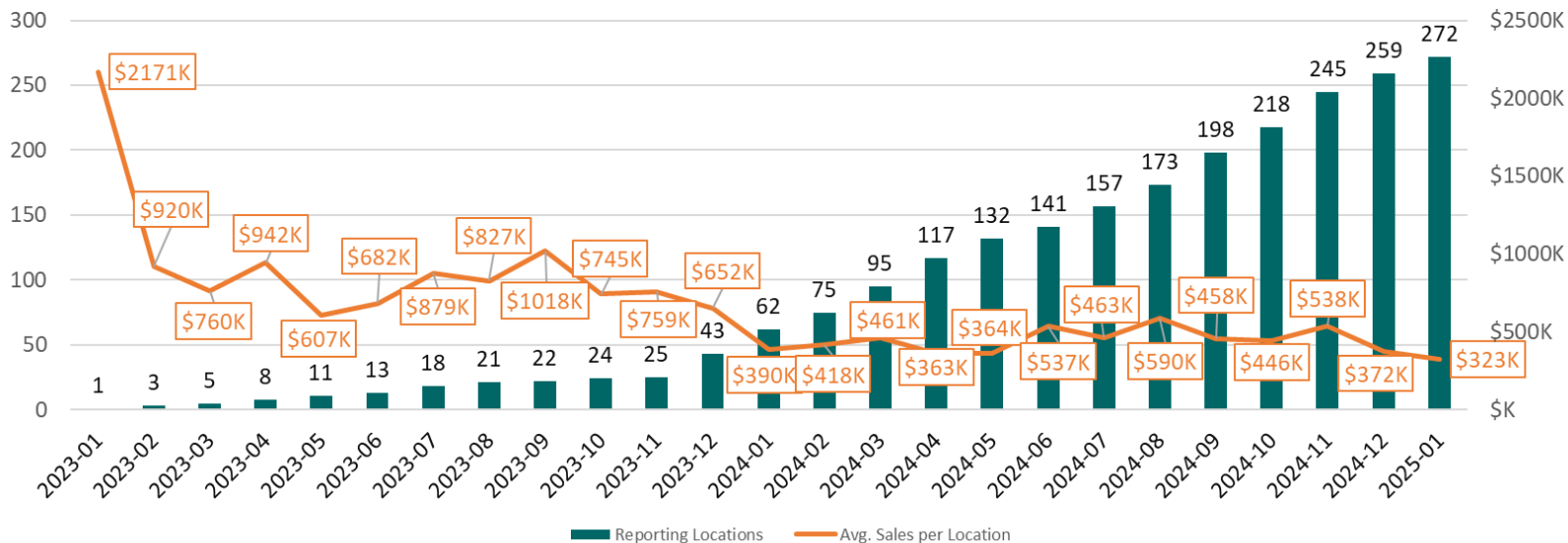
\$856.3 million

YTD 2025

\$110.1 million

AVERAGE SALES PER STORE FLAT-TO-DOWN AS MORE STORES OPEN EACH MONTH

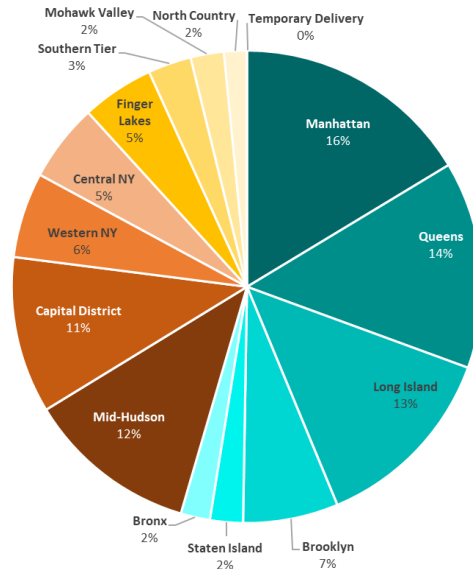
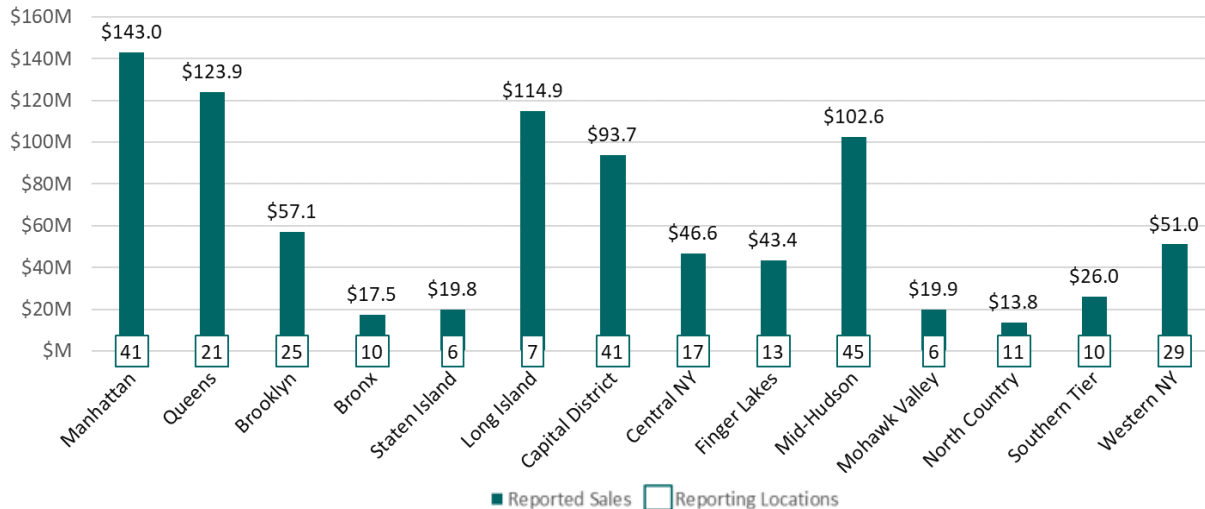
Number of Stores Reporting and Avg. Sales per Store
by Month



1) Graph only shows locations that have reported data to OCM.
 2) Monthly counts exclude locations that have not submitted data for the last 4+ weeks.
 3) November Revenue per Location not shown because full month's data was not available at time of preparation.

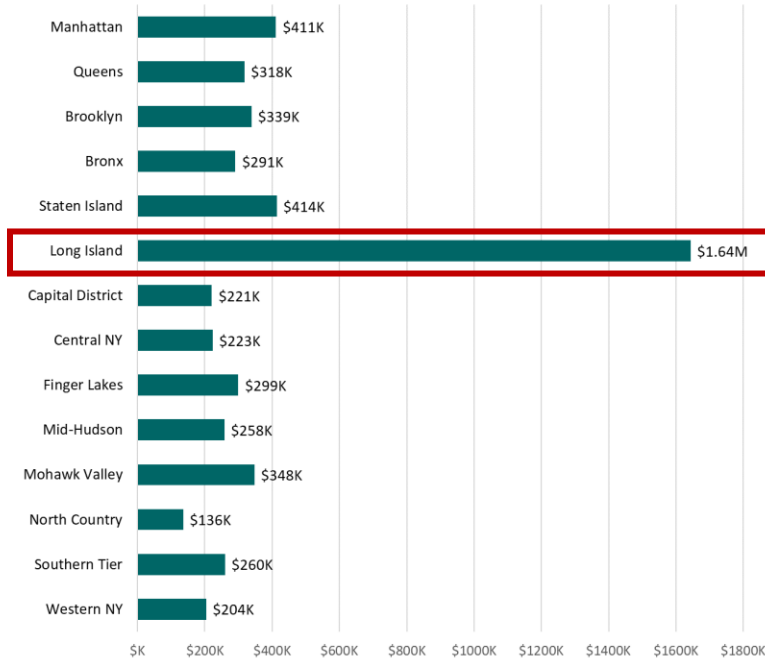
DOWNSTATE REGIONS ACCOUNT FOR 55% OF PAST YEAR SALES DESPITE FEWER STORES

New York Cannabis Reported Retail Sales (LTM)
By ESD Region

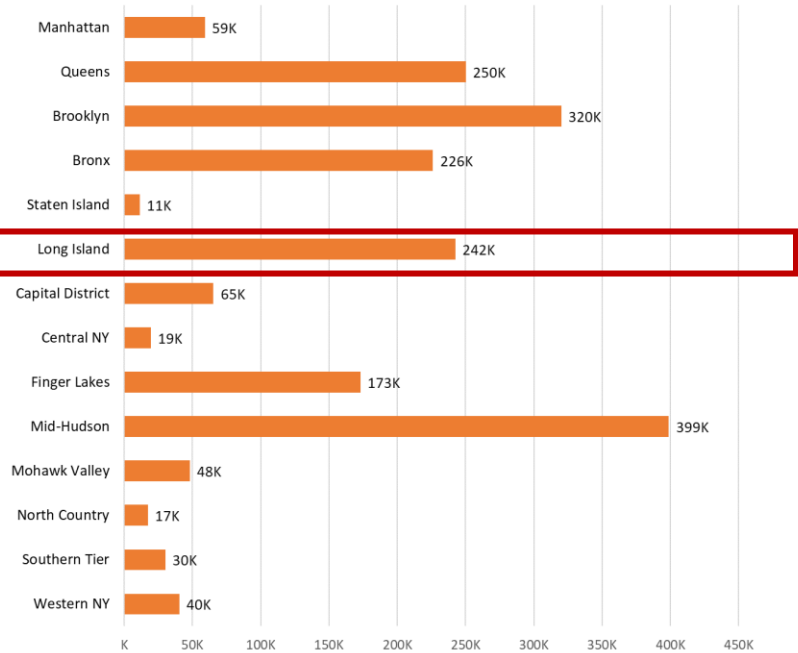


LONG ISLAND HAS MOST SALES PER STORE OF ANY REGION

Reported Sales per Store by Region
January 2025

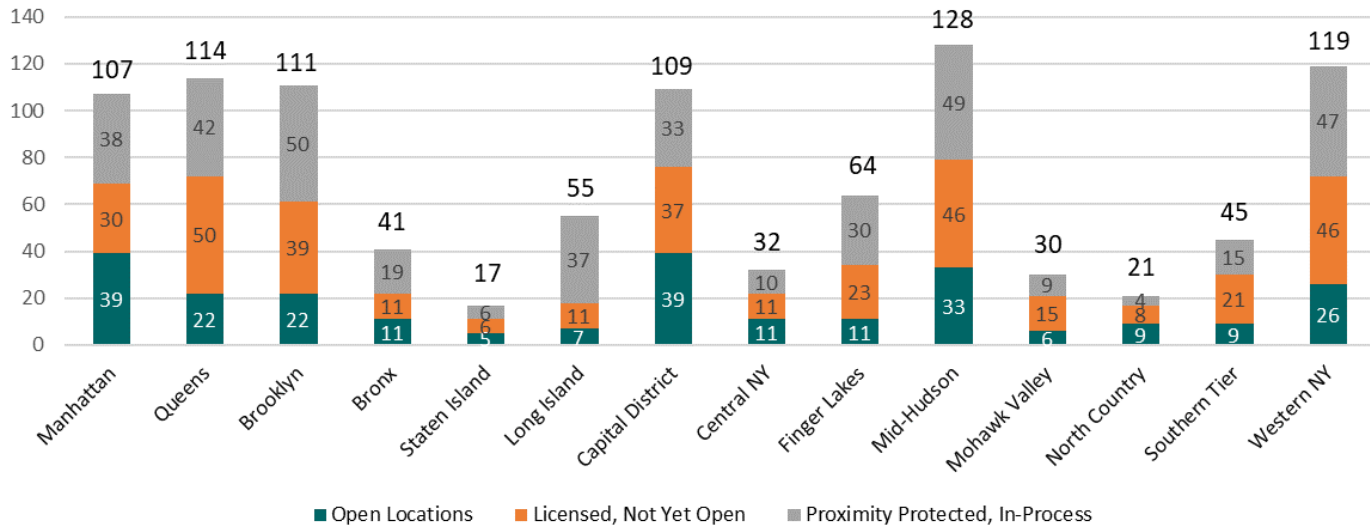


Population per Store by Region
January 2025

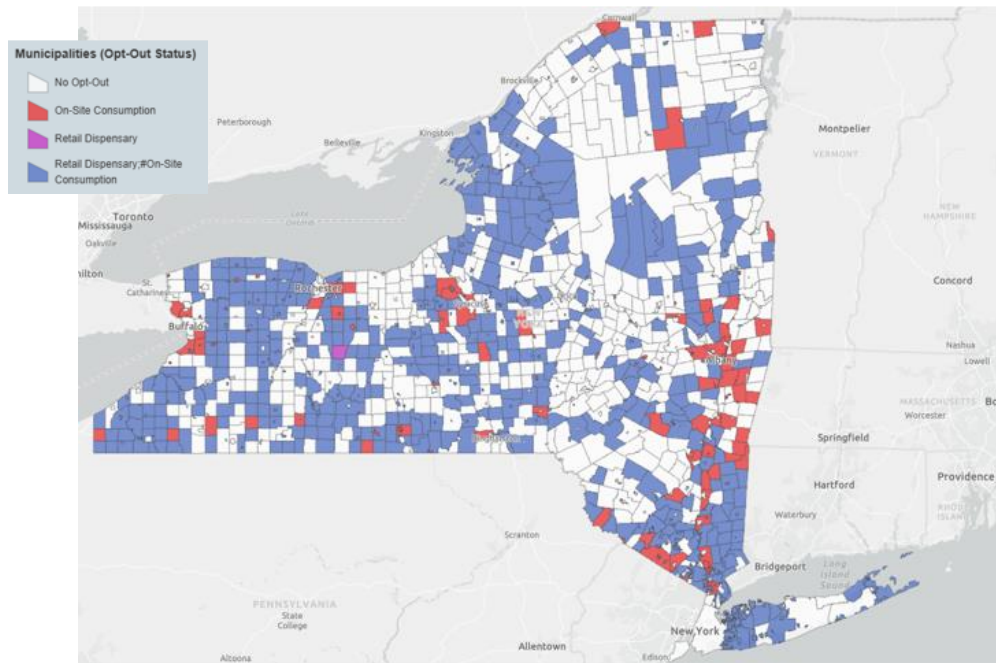


993 LOCATIONS ARE UNDER REVIEW AS OF FEBRUARY

Locations by Status and ESD Region
Retail Locations



HALF OF NY MUNICIPALITIES OPTED NOT TO ALLOW RETAIL DISPENSARIES



- Dispensaries are currently unable to open in approximately 46% of New York State's municipalities due to municipal opt-outs.
- The large opt-out areas will increase retail property premiums in opt-in zones and limit the total number of dispensaries that can be opened based on retail distance requirements.

LICENSES ISSUED

CAURD with
Final Licenses

240

CAURD
operating
at Delivery
Only

2

Registered
Organization
Dispensing and
Non-dispensing
(ROD/ROND)

9

Provisionally
Approved Retail
Dispensaries

153



Adult-Use
Cultivators

200



Adult-Use
Processors

329



Adult-Use
Distributors

186



Adult-Use
Microbusiness

240[^]



Adult-Use
Retail Dispensary

329

*Note: Many AUCCs and AUCPs are in the process of transitioning to "non-conditional" licenses.

**Note: Provisionally approved retail dispensaries is just AU Retail.

^Note: Microbusiness Licensees that include a Retail Dispensary: 89.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATES

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Outlines adult-use licensee requirements, timelines

Template providing examples of appropriate documentation

Maintain the Energy & Environmental Plan and make available upon request

CAB ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE



Scan QR code to view the Energy + Environmental Plan guidance document.

POWERSCORE REMINDER

Benchmark PowerScore Report due on **August 31, 2025** for
all licensees authorized to cultivate.

- Webinar Upcoming on **March 26, 2025**
- Scan QR code to access Guidance & FAQ documents.
- Questions about requirements & timelines, contact the Office at **PowerScore@ocm.ny.gov**
- To access your account on the PowerScore landing page: **cannabispowerscore.org/new-york/**
- Questions about your account, contact RII: **PowerScore@resourceinnovation.org**



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SEAL ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVE AWARD



SOCIAL & ECONOMIC EQUITY UPDATE

SEE STATUS

62% OF ADULT-USE LICENSES ISSUED TODAY ARE SEE OWNED

Minority-Owned
Business

65%

Women-Owned
Business

52%

MOB+WOB
Business

13%

SDV

4%

Distressed
Farmer

2%

CDI

24%

***Please Note:** Licenses may be counted multiple times if they are approved for multiple types of SEE categories

SEE ACROSS THE SUPPLY CHAIN



Adult-Use
Cultivators

38%



Adult-Use
Processors

48%



Adult-Use
Distributors

41%



Adult-Use
Microbusiness

60%



Adult-Use
Retail Dispensary

80%

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

CHIP ACADEMY PART 4

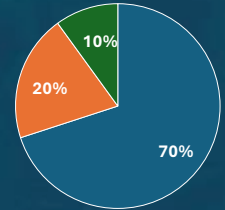
- A product of our survey identifying educational needs for growers
- Our latest iteration of CHIP Academy is slated to launch in coming months.
- CHIP Academy is an educational program designed to help new and conditional licensees navigate compliance, Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs), and industry best practices.
- Consists of targeted training and Q&A sessions, the program addresses key regulatory challenges and provides resources to support sustainable business growth.

SUPPLY CHAIN EVENT

- An OCM-organized event for licensees across the supply chain, designed to promote networking among licensees and provide valuable information to support their success.
- Key features include:
 - Opportunities for 1:1 technical assistance with subject-matter experts and OCM staff.
 - In-person training sessions and workshops tailored to address business and operational needs.
 - A platform for licensees and stakeholders to connect, share resources, and collaborate.

Top Requested Topics for Additional Educational Support (by Licensees)

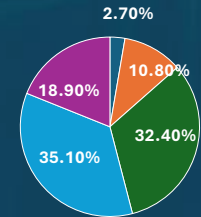
- Record-keeping and reporting requirements
- Testing and product safety regulations
- Worker safety and labor laws



Confidence in Understanding NYS Cannabis Regulations

(On a scale of 1-5, with 5 being most confident)

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5



EXPANDING CANNABIS ACCESS THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

SUNY AND CUNY COLLEGES WITH ACTIVE CANNABIS PROGRAMS:

SUNY- Sullivan
SUNY-Dutchess
SUNY-Orange
SUNY-Rockland
SUNY-Westchester
SUNY-Ulster
SUNY-Columbia Greene
SUNY-Farmingdale
SUNY-Finger Lakes
SUNY-Fulton-Montgomery
SUNY-Niagara

SUNY-Onondaga
SUNY-Canton
SUNY-Clinton
SUNY-Empire
SUNY-Erie
SUNY-Morrisville
SUNY-Cobleskill
CUNY-Bronx
CUNY-Lehman
CUNY-Medgar Evers

**All these institutions offer a broad range of industry-related coursework
Some of these schools have specializations.**

CANNABIS BANKING DIRECTORY LAUNCHED

What is the Cannabis Banking Directory? A resource connecting cannabis operators with banks & credit unions willing to provide financial services.

What's included?

- List of participating banks & credit unions
- Direct contact information for easy access
- Regions served
- Available cannabis financial services (accounts, lending, cash management)

How to access it? Available now on the OCM Website

Requests to be Listed on the Cannabis Banking Directory

To join, financial institutions must meet the following qualifications:

- Offer cannabis financial services
- Must be accredited through federal and regulatory databases

Contact SEE Team for more information: SEE@OCM.ny.gov

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Scan QR code to access the **Cannabis Banking Directory** located towards the bottom of the SEE page.



COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

PROGRESS TO DATE

- ✓ Issued on October 16, 2024
- ✓ Application Deadline: December 18, 2024, at 5 PM
- ✓ OGS conducted "Minimum Eligibility Assessment"
- ✓ OCM recruited ~40 evaluators from inside agency.
- ✓ Training for evaluators was completed, covering RFA details, scoring, best practices, and confidentiality/conflict of interest (COI) requirements.
- ✓ All evaluators signed confidentiality and COI agreements.
- ✓ Evaluators vetted applications for potential COIs.
- ✓ Applications sorted into 3-person Review Teams according to RFA selection methodology and COI avoidance.
- ✓ Applications became available for OCM review starting January 23.



Lead Applicant Eligibility: 501c3 orgs serving young people (0-24)
Funding Focus: Mental Health, Housing, and/or Workforce Development

Cannabis related activities NOT required

Total Available 2024: \$5M / Each Award: \$100,000

Scan QR code or visit
[cannabis.ny.gov/
reinvestment](https://cannabis.ny.gov/reinvestment) to learn
about the Community
Reinvestment Program



APPLICATIONS BY CURRENT STATUS

Total Applications
Submitted

451

Ineligible: Other
Reasons

28

Ineligible: Not
Prequalified

81

Canceled

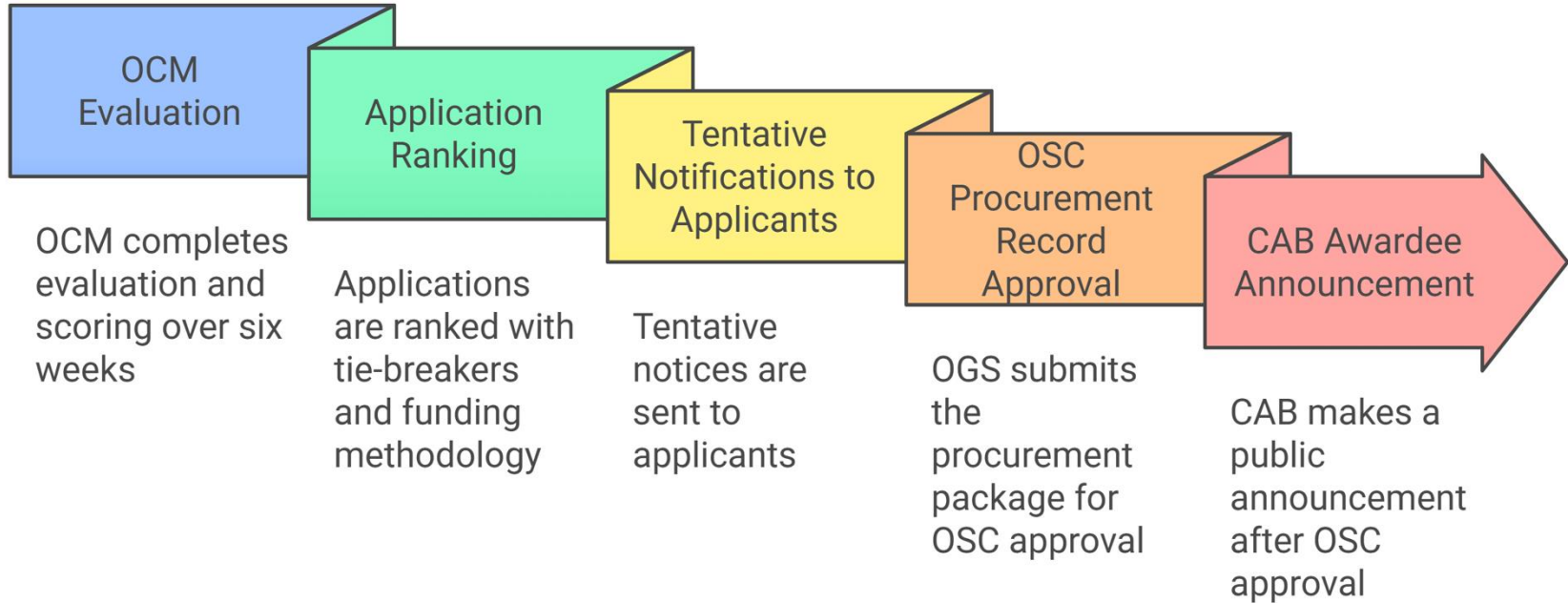
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Eligible for
Evaluation & Scoring

341

These are **NOT** final numbers and subject to change.

NEXT STEPS



SEED-TO-SALE UPDATE

SEED TO SALE UPDATE

INTEGRATOR SURVEY RESPONSES

Program staff are working with licensees who did not respond to the survey by the January 17 deadline to capture their selected vendors and finalize the roll-out plans for integrators with BioTrack.

INTEGRATION TIMELINES

- Identified integrators completed trainings with BioTrack in January.
- The integrators are now conducting integration testing for approval to begin operations.

INTEGRATIONS WILL BEGIN IN FIRST QUARTER OF FY2025/26

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Thank you to those who submitted comments online. Online comments will be captured via the meeting minutes. All online comments must be **submitted by 5 p.m. on February 15, 2025**, to be included in the Board meeting minutes. The link is available under the Cannabis Control Board page on cannabis.ny.gov.
- You can also reach the Office with any questions, comments, or concerns at Regulations@ocm.ny.gov.
- Remarks must be limited to **2 minutes or less** to allow all participants an equal amount of time to speak.

NEXT FULL CANNABIS CONTROL BOARD MEETING

Time, location, and a live stream link will be shared on the Office of Cannabis Management website in advance of the meeting:

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