

State of Hawai‘i
Dual Use of Cannabis Task Force
Social Equity Permitted Interaction Group
Listening Session Agenda

I. Call to Order/ Introductions of Permitted Interaction Group Members

- A. Senator Joy San Buenaventura
- B. Garrett Halydier
- C. Randy Gonce
- D. Nikos Leverenz

II. Explanation of the Purpose of the Listening Sessions

The mission of the Social Equity Permitted Interaction Group is: “To identify Hawai‘i communities and populations disproportionately impacted by cannabis criminalization and make recommendations for social equity and restorative justice policies that would help to reduce and remediate past and ongoing disparities, including equity in the market, community reinvestment, and expungement and resentencing.”

These listening sessions were created to give local communities time to share their stories of interactions with cannabis enforcement over the years and to hear their ideas for how an adult-use market in Hawai‘i can best include the local community.

III. Potential Questions/Topics for the Listening Session

1. What does social equity in cannabis regulation mean to you?
2. How have you or your communities been negatively impacted by the war on drugs, green harvest, and previous or current cannabis regulations?
3. How can future cannabis programs in Hawai‘i right these wrongs?
4. How do you envision your prospective participation in an adult-use system?
5. Each Island and even each ahupua‘a is very different. What geographical and/or demographic considerations should a legal cannabis industry and social equity program take into account?
6. What would make an adult-use cannabis program and its social equity components in Hawai‘i a success in your eyes and for your community?

III. Public Input Period and Discussion

MAHALO for taking the time out of your weekend to join us here today and provide your feedback. Your voice is extremely important for shaping an effective Adult Use Cannabis program in Hawai‘i.