

EXHIBIT 1



Mission Statement

The goal of the Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative (OCBC) is to provide seriously ill patients with a safe and reliable source of medical cannabis products and plants. Our cooperative is open to all patients with a verifiable letter of diagnosis and recommendation or approval for medical cannabis use.

The City of Oakland has enacted an Ordinance to provide immunity for medical cannabis provider associations so that patients can safely obtain their medicine. The Cooperative is dedicated to reducing the harm these patients encounter due to the prohibition of cannabis. This includes alleviating the fear of arrest, as well as negating problems associated with purchasing cannabis on the illicit market.

OCBC's headquarters is a multi-faceted facility, accessible to people with disabilities. We provide a professional atmosphere for patients to procure cannabis, with trained member advocates on hand to offer advice and assistance. We also offer self-help services such as support groups for a wide variety of medical conditions, massage therapy and cultivation meetings to teach Members how to grow their own medicine. The Cooperative once a month has a buffet dinner for all Members and caregivers. Seasonally the Cooperative is involved with activities such as Softball and Bowling. In addition, OCBC provides information on a variety of topics, including AIDS prevention and treatment, safe sex, and cannabis reform in general.

The Oakland CBC currently operates under the auspices of California Proposition 215 now Health and Safety Code Section 11362.5 and Oakland City Council Resolution Numbered 72379 C.M.S. and 72516 C.M.S.

Resolution 72516, passed in March 1996, makes the enforcement of medical cannabis laws the lowest priority for the City of Oakland. Furthermore, the City has appointed a working group to oversee OCBC functions and to determine the most effective means to protect and assist seriously ill patients. Most recently the City has enacted Ordinance Number 12076 setting up a medical cannabis distribution program, which the Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative hopes to fulfill.