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ABOUT MPP

With more than 26,000 dues-paying members and more than 100,000 e-mail subscribers, the Marijuana Policy Project is the largest marijuana policy reform organization in the United States.

MPP'S MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Medical marijuana patients and caregivers no longer fear arrest in Rhode Island, Hawaii, and Vermont** because MPP successfully drafted and gained passage of medical marijuana laws through these states' legislatures.
- **Medical marijuana patients in Michigan and Montana are protected** because the states' voters overwhelmingly passed MPP's medical marijuana initiatives.
- **Small-time marijuana possession in Massachusetts is punishable just by a \$100 fine** because the state's voters passed MPP's decriminalization initiative.
- **Medical marijuana patients in Maryland are no longer subject to imprisonment** because MPP persuaded the Republican governor to sign its medical marijuana bill.
- **Two states are getting close to ending marijuana prohibition entirely**, as MPP's ballot initiatives to tax and regulate marijuana like alcohol twice garnered the all-time biggest votes in the history of the country — 44% in both Alaska and Nevada.
- **Approximately 1.5 million Californians live in municipalities where adult marijuana offenses are the lowest priority** for local law enforcement because MPP's grants program provided almost all of the funding to pass local ordinances through four ballot initiatives in Oakland, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, and Santa Monica, and through the city councils of West Hollywood and San Francisco.
- **The National Academy of Sciences recognizes marijuana's medical value** due in large part to MPP's efforts to provide patient and physician perspectives to the Institute of Medicine, which issued its landmark report favorable for medical marijuana.
- **MPP has debated White House officials and other prohibitionists** on national TV and radio and on the pages of almost every newspaper in the country. MPP's projects have been featured on the cover of *Time* magazine; in articles in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Washington Post*, *USA Today*, the Associated Press, and Reuters; and in appearances on National Public Radio; NBC's "The Today Show"; CNN's "American Morning"; "Crossfire"; "Headline News"; and "Lou Dobbs Tonight"; FOX News' "The O'Reilly Factor"; CNBC's "On the Money"; PBS's "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer"; and Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report."



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Supporting marijuana policy reform efforts doesn't make you a target.

What's there to fear?

Occasionally MPP hears from people who are concerned that by supporting marijuana policy reform, they risk their privacy or even open themselves up to injustice.

There is a vast difference between breaking the law and advocating to change it.

Through MPP's more than a decade of existence — and two IRS audits — our membership database *has never been compromised or even requested*. And we know of not one example in which a person's private donations to a drug policy reform organization played any role in a criminal or civil investigation.

"I have testified before Congress and been on television and in newspapers nationwide talking about ending marijuana prohibition. In more than 15 years of public advocacy on this issue, I have not been followed, arrested, or even pulled over. The only time I have ever been the target of law enforcement was before I became involved in marijuana policy reform. I was arrested and spent three months in prison for growing a small number of marijuana plants. That experience is what turned me into an advocate."

— MPP executive director Rob Karpia

Who supports MPP's work?

Our dues-paying members come from every U.S. state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Canada, Great Britain, Italy, Australia, and elsewhere. They're doctors and plumbers, politicians and prisoners, college students and grandmothers, Democrats and Republicans, patients and teachers.

They're a diverse group precisely because of the broad support that marijuana policy reform enjoys. What MPP members have in common is the understanding that America's war on marijuana users is a misguided and destructive failure — and the fortitude to stand up for what they know is right.

Talk to your friends and family: You might be surprised who supports ending marijuana prohibition!

- 78% of American adults "support making marijuana legally available for doctors to prescribe in order to reduce pain and suffering."
- 55% of American adults think that "possession of small amounts of marijuana . . . should not be treated as a criminal offense."
- 36% of American adults support making marijuana "legal."

Such respected figures as former U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders, Nobel-prize winning economist Milton Friedman, and U.S. Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens have publicly questioned the wisdom of marijuana prohibition.



It didn't hurt their careers...

President Barack Obama, former Vice President Al Gore, California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger (R), U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas.

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Why we collect personal information

MPP collects and uses personal information to provide supporters with the latest marijuana policy news and information.

When we disclose contact information

MPP occasionally allows other organizations to send mail to our supporters. In these cases, lists containing only names and addresses (no contribution data or other personal information) are delivered to a third-party mailing house for one-time use for that organization's mailing. To request that we never allow your contact information to be used even in this secure manner, please contact us.

How we contact you via postal mail

The word "marijuana" will not appear on any envelopes that are mailed to your home.