

# OOC Update

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Cannabis Oversight Committee 12/1/2022

*Updated based on the Committee's discussion during its 10/19/22 meeting.*

# Presentation Outline

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- Grants Overview
- Grant Distribution Questions
- Q&A
  - **NOTE: All Data Pulled 10/17/2022 (& Subject to Attrition)**

# Grants Round 3

Grants Assistance Award Amount:

**\$3,969,685.20**

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## Anticipated Distribution and Spend-Down Timeline:

- **Letter of Intent:** January 2023
- **Contracting:** February 2023 – June 2023
- **Redistribution:** July 2023 – October 2023
- **Must be Spent By:** Summer 2023
  - **NOTE: Timelines are subject to change**

# How to Distribute the Direct Assistance Dollars?

# Discussion Questions

1. Given the amount of grant funding available for Round 3, does the Committee have a preference about the size of the grant awards that are issued?
2. Given spend-down thresholds to be eligible for subsequent Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development ("GoBiz") grants, does the Committee have a preference about which applicants and operators are best suited to spend down their awards?

# Discussion Questions

3. Once a preferred group, or groups, is decided, should A) grantees be identified based the size of the preferred group(s) at a particular point in time, or B) selected through a randomized lottery within the preferred group.
4. In light of the importance of the spend-down rate for Round 3, should a utilization threshold be applied when determining which grantees to redistribute grant awards to in the late Spring of 2023?

# Question #1:

**Does the committee have a preference on the size of the award amounts?**

*Committee's soft recommendation from 10/19/22 meeting: "go with VEAs 40% or greater and are at build out or further, for a total number 45 of grantees providing grant amounts of \$88,215.23."*

Factors to consider:

- Verified Equity Applicant (VEA) Ownership Percentage
- Stage in the Application Process

Grant Distribution Scenario	# of Grantees	Grant Award
VEAs 51% or Greater (Build-out or Further)	16	\$248,105.33
VEAs 51% or Greater (PLN or Further)	38	\$104,465.40
VEAs 40% or Greater (Build-out or Further)	45	\$88,215.23
VEAs 40% or Greater (PLN or Further)	89	\$44,603.20



# Question #2:

**Given spend-down thresholds to be eligible for subsequent GoBiz grants, does the Committee have a preference about which applicants and operators are best suited to spend down their awards?**

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VEA Category	Approved	Build-out	PLN Referral	Total
100% VEA	2	8	15	25
51% or >	3	3	7	13
Under 51%	19	10	22	51
Total	24	21	44	89

# Question #3:

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Lottery Grantees	Lottery Award
25	\$158,787.41
50	\$79,393.70
100	\$39,696.85

# Question #4:

**In light of the importance of the spend-down rate for Round 3, should a utilization threshold be applied when determining which grantees to redistribute grant awards to in the late Spring of 2023?**

Utilization Rate	Initial Spending Requirement	Amount Remaining for Last 4 Months
90%	\$94,018.86	\$10,446.54
80%	\$83,572.32	\$20,893.08
70%	\$73,125.78	\$31,339.62

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# Q&A



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