

**MEDICINAL
USE IS NOT
ABUSE**

**IT'S YOUR
RIGHT!**



Agricultural Co-Operative

A Homegrown Grassroots Not for Profit Organization

Our Mission:

We the people have come together in a agricultural cooperative to become a common voice for the patients, collectives, workers and growers in the legal cannabis industry per local law.

To defend the rights of patients, to receive and consume legally grown and processed medicinal cannabis and to defend the rights of the growers and workers to do business where ever it is legal in these United States.

"We demand an end to the arbitrary and inconsistent enforcement of the law."

Our long term goal is to establish market stabilization for growers, fair wages for workers, and to promote quality standards and fair distribution through collectives for consumers of alternative agricultural products.

We do not advocate the illegal use, cultivation, distribution or sales of cannabis products recommended for medical or any other use.

Why a Co-operative?

As a group we can become a common voice. As a group we can lobby the government to treat us fairly. As a group we can be in control of our own industry.

We can set the standards of operation, quality and regulation. If we don't you can bet they will! Let's not be left out and don't let our industry go the way of big business.

Keep it grassroots, encourage local cultivation, employ local workers, establish good working conditions, fair and affordable fees and easily accessible locations for collectives and most important keeping quality high and costs low for the patients who use our products.

Even if it is legalized, Marijuana products will still need to be regulated, have quality standards in place to make sure it is pure and low cost to patients who may not otherwise be able to readily obtain it. And for the safety of the general public.

We have a moral obligation to help those in need and we will not be deterred from that obligation. Look beyond today, Let's start planning our future for this alternative agricultural revolution! Of the people, by the people, for the people.

Who will benefit?

You!

With the help of your supporting contributions we will strive to achieve these basic rights for our members.

The Patients

- Safe and easy access
- Low prices
- High quality
- No intimidation from law enforcement

The Workers

- Unionization
- Fair Wages
- Health care and retirement benefits
- Safe work conditions
- Job security
- Fair treatment by law enforcement

The Collectives

- Accessible shop locations
- Price stabilization
- Fair permits and fees.
- Fair treatment by law enforcement.

The Growers

- The right to cultivate in local communities
- Price stabilization
- Fair permits and fees for cultivation
- Decriminalization still unjustly allows for the prosecution of cultivation. We hope to change public opinion

The Community

- Tax revenue from sales
- Lower crime by taking it off the streets
- Real blue collar job creation
- Educate the public on the usefulness of marijuana as a medicinal herb

Are you a Lawyer?

Add your practice to our list of lawyers specializing in Medical Marijuana cases.
Our members need your help!

DON'T LEAF US OUT!



Kevin DeLang - Founder UL13

Hi, my name is Kevin.

Thomas Jefferson once said, *"It is the duty of all good citizens to participate in their government especially when it needs to be fixed"*. I invite you to come together with Union Local 13 in the pursuit of our common concerns.

Ever since 215 and 420 passed, many other patients like myself have been denied our rights to safe and easy access to our legally recommended medicinal marijuana.

We are tired of being treated as criminals and second class citizens!

Whereas, we have decided to come together with our natural allies, the growers, the processors, the distributors and their workers to influence the provincial governments in responding to the voice of the people.

So, to this end we have created an all inclusive grassroots co-operative union encompassing all of the facets of the cannabis industry.

Union Local 13 will be a uniting force in growing our industry. We will provide a means to come together with our allies to be a determined and unshakeable movement that will promote our industry for, of and by the people.

Please support us in our most important goal, to provide affordable and safe access to medical marijuana for patients like myself.

Please join now and help make our industry strong!

Thank you,
Kevin DeLang



Collectives

Advertise your Products and Services

Advertise your Collective's products and services on our website! Place your advertising in our multimedia event display.

All UL13 Collective members will receive a free web page on our website. We can create an HD custom video to display at events like this or on your UL13 webpage using **YouTube™**!

Ask us about our advertising packages.

YouTube™ is a registered trademark and is not affiliated with UL13.

Union Local 13 is a California Non Profit Public Benefit Corporation March, 13th 2010. EIN 27-2116582. Contributions to Union Local 13 are not currently tax deductible as we are in the process of applying for 501(c) 3 tax exempt status. We will inform you when we have applied.

How do we plan to do this?

How we plan to use your contributions:

- Create a “Medicinal Use is Not Abuse” multi media public relations campaign to break the negative social stigma of medicinal use.
- Open channels to federal, state and local elected officials to rally their support.
- Work with the local government and collectives to create co-operative cultivation and distribution centers operated by the local collectives and patients. **NO BIG BUSINESS!**
- Unionization of the workforce..
- Promote fair wages for workers.
- Healthcare plans for workers and members.
- Rally volunteers and fundraising for local concerns.
- Open “Cannabis Testing Centers” using state of the art testing standards. Free to patients.
- Use the Internet to create an open network for discussion, a democratic process of decision and enactment of our common plans and goals.

Learn more online!

Visit us online at:

UNIONLOCAL13.ORG

Get the latest news and information. Search for collectives in your area. Find support groups. Join and participate in forums and polls. Post and find jobs.

Consult with legal help. View our Bylaws and other UL13 documents. Find out how to start a fundraiser in your area. Start a local chapter. View videos and other multimedia presentations. Register to vote.

We will continue to bring you the latest news on Union Local 13 members, activities and events. Join our RSS Feed!



Stay informed with editorials and stories by our UL13 senior writer, **Kate Woods.**

Help us Grow our Co-operative!

Join Union Local 13 and become an active supporter for FREE!. Then if you like, you may upgrade at any time to a participating membership.

We have several different participating plans for Members and Collectives.

And if you decide to upgrade, to show our appreciation, we are offering several thank you gifts depending on your membership level.

To subscribe to our newsletter and begin the application process, please fill out the form below.

Name and mailing address or email is required. We will contact you to complete the process by email. Or if you leave the email field blank we will mail you information.

Mail it to us at:
Union Local 13 PO Box 28721 San Jose, Ca. 95159-8721

You may then at any time upgrade from an Active Supporter to a Participating Membership Package best suited to you. Your free Active Support Registration will not expire.

UNION YES!

Check Here if you are an Industry Worker and interested in joining a Union.

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

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The Cultivators

- **The right to operate in local communities – as it stands today, federal, state and local laws are enforced arbitrarily. Due to the vague nature of these laws, jurisdictions are able to interpret them selectively to promote their own agendas. In the absence of clearly defined laws these agendas will invariably conflict with one another making it impossible for growers to determine their legal standing. We refuse to be treated as criminals!**
- **Price stabilization - prices for medical marijuana can vary enormously. Our goal is to stabilize these prices by mutual agreement so that growers can rely on predictable rates. The co-operative will not dictate prices. Our goal is to establish a standard pricing for cannabis products as a collective agreement.**
- **Fair permits and fees – we promote the equitable treatment of cannabis growers as any other legal business when issuing permitted fees. We refuse to be treated as criminals!**

The Processors

- **Industry processors/workers should have their contributions recognized and their work respected. The average wage of trimmers, as example seems to range from \$20.00 to \$30.00 per hour or about \$200.00 a pound of product. Hash making is a relatively new profession. Traditionally Hashers are paid percentage of their yield (a 40 to 50 percent split is typical). This union will not dictate prices but we should all be able to agree what is a fair wage.**
- **Counter workers should receive traditional wages and benefits commensurate to the local wages for like workers.**
- **Safe working conditions-we will recognize existing O.S.H.A law.**
- **Fair treatment by law enforcement.**

- **The right to pursue their professions.**

The Distributors

- **Accessibility – distributors and owners of collectives should be able to open a place of distribution.**
- **Fair permits and fees – We promote the equitable treatment of cannabis distributors as any other legal business when issuing permit fees. We refuse to be treated as criminals!!!**

The Consumers

- **Patients will be relieved that they now have a union to help fight for their rights as citizens to have safe and easy access to their medicine.**
- **Places of distribution close to home.**
- **They will also benefit from the union standards of full disclosure of growing techniques. i.e., whether the product was grown organically, hydroponically, with or without the use of chemicals or pesticides and the percentage of THC, CANNIBANALS and CANNABINNALS.**
- **The union will post co-operative clubs open for business. Ensuring a competitive market and low prices for consumers.**
- **The co-operative will always demand that consumers not be harassed by police or civic agencies. We refuse to be treated as criminals. Don't leaf us out!!!**

Why form a Cooperative?

We are a unique industry. A hidden industry, a misunderstood industry. But we are real a industry.

We are unique in that we are forced together by law. So we should use that to our best advantage.

Current laws allow for you to operate because it is discriminatory for the government not to allow legal business to operate.

All Persons operating Medical Marijuana business' are commonly linked together with consumers and workers since they all must have a doctors recommendation to be able to legally operate, sell , purchase or consume. We are all patients, that is our common ground and equal concern. And the only reason it is legal to operate in California.

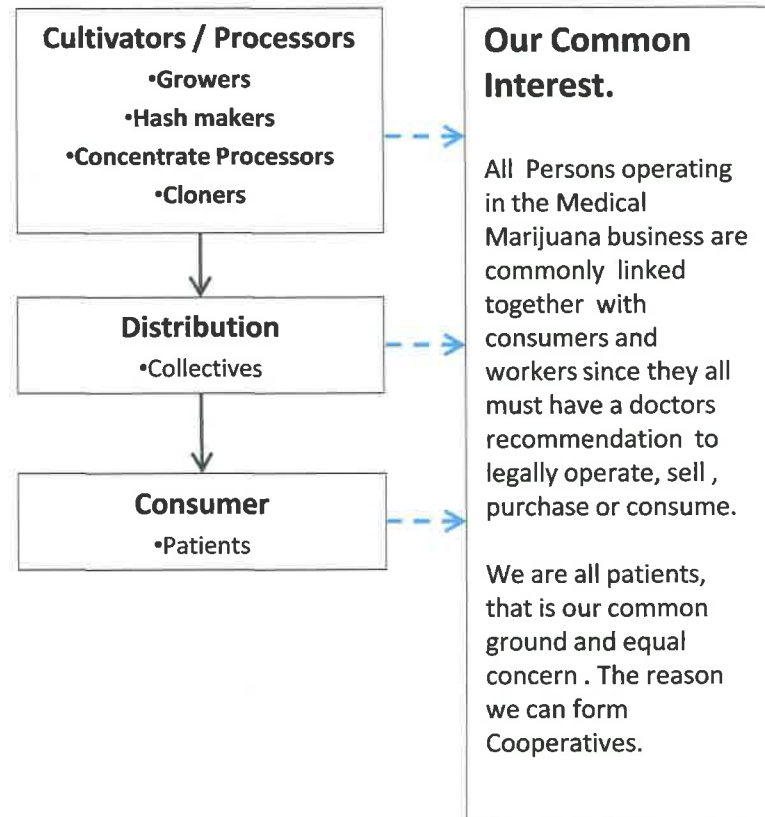
However, they do not give real direction in how we should operate. And use this confusion against us. The current measure on the ballot suggests that the local governments will decide on how to proceed if legalized. Which sounds good but again there is no direction. And no protections for your business.

Our goal is to band the industry together. To create local cooperatives, a union of all our common interests.

This is not typical. Usually the producers, distributors, workers and consumers form Coops and Unions to protect their individual interests from each other. But as patients we all have a common ground because the law forces us to.

We don't know what the future will bring but we do want to be able to have a say in it. A Cooperative Union will give us that voice and strength.

Current simple model for the distribution of medical marijuana .



What is a Cooperative?

A cooperative is not much different than your own non-profit business. It has bylaws, board of directors and members like any other non-profit.

A cooperative does not direct how you do your business. It only opens up opportunities for you to run your business fairly.

The cooperative is owned by you! You're membership entitles you to equal voting rights over the bylaws and operations of the cooperative. One person. One vote. Majority rules.

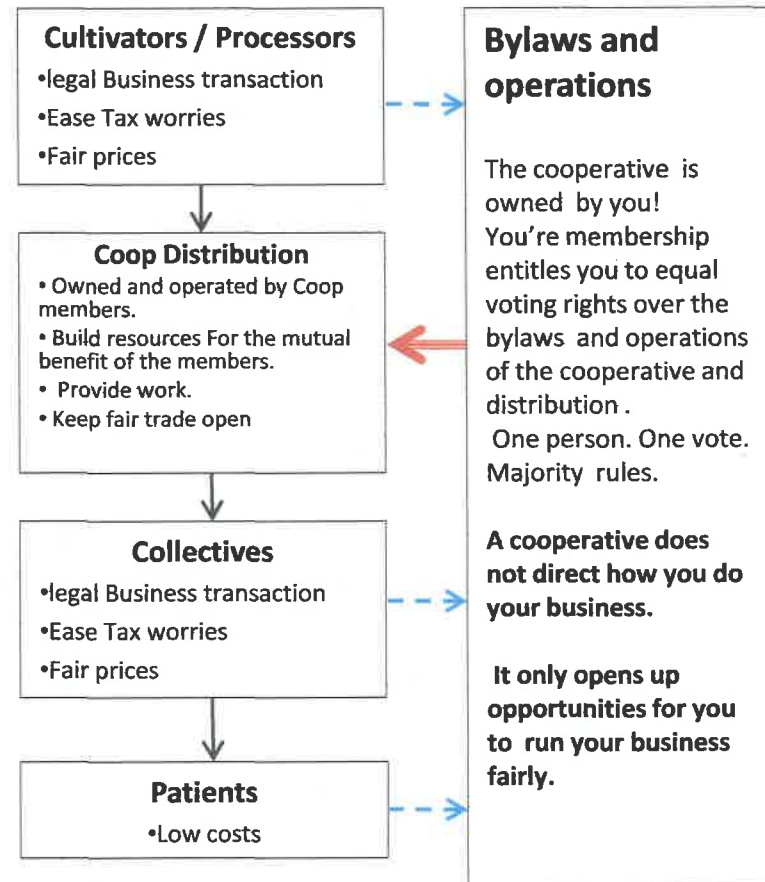
We won't go into detail here about the different types of cooperatives or how they operate as there are many. **However, they are all owned and operated by the members who introduce and adopt the bylaws and amendments in benefit of their mutual or public interest.**

With this we can build a business model for the distribution of product through a cooperative. Keeping that distribution fair and open. We can set standards for quality and good working conditions as well.

By providing locally owned cooperative distribution centers, both Growers and Collectives have a fair place to do business. Without worry of illegal purchase or sale. And Workers will have a central and stable place to go for work.

We will be able to work with the government regulations through our cooperative distribution channels and separate it from your individual business. Just pay the tax there. With verifiable records. This is the main thing the government wants. Lets work with them through a cooperative for and in our own best interest as patients and business persons.

Cooperative operation and UL13bylaws



Who would pay for the operations?

The Cooperatives operational resources would come from your locally owned coop distribution centers and pay for itself.

A small operational fee will be collected on a per transaction basis. This rate will be defined in the cooperative bylaws as decided upon by a majority vote of its members. Books will always be open for member review to assure compliance.

Members maybe able to have a tax write-off for the expense of this fee since they are non profit operations. Check with your lawyer/accountant as it depends on your current tax status.

Membership dues will basically be used to pay the costs of administration of the membership roll. This will keep the actual membership dues low and affordable.

We will be eligible to obtain public safety grants for testing product quality.

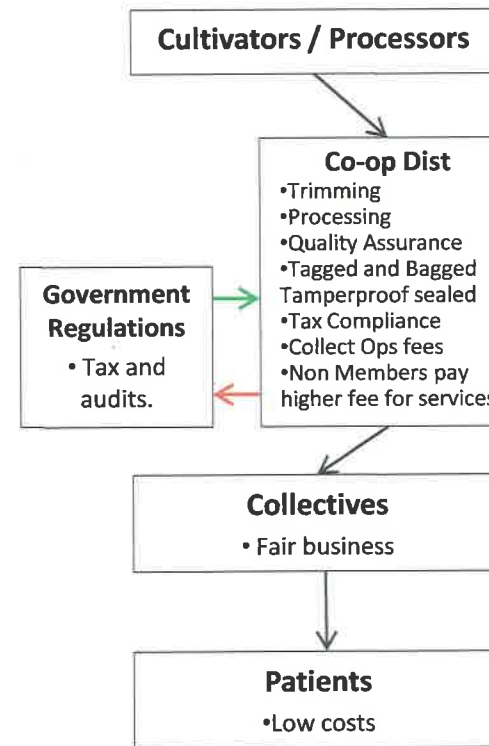
As resources grow we will be able to promote public relations, build legal resources, and provide ourselves with other resources, banks of supplies, land to cultivate, good paying work centers. Even help to pay for your employee healthcare requirements. What ever we want for our own good and public benefit, not profit. And we can help our business thrive. We are only limited by ourselves .

Most importantly it would not affect the cost to you , the patient.

Please consider the alternatives of doing nothing.

Then Join us!

Operation, costs and taxes



Operations costs and taxes.

A small operational fee will be collected from the Cultivators/ Processors and Collectives on a per transaction basis. This rate will be defined in the cooperative bylaws as decided upon by a majority vote of its members. Books will always be open for member review to assure compliance.

We will be able to work with the government regulations through our cooperative distribution channels and separate it from your individual business. Just pay the tax there. With verifiable records.

Members are not required to use the Co-op Distribution centers. Non-Members may also participate. We believe in an open market but we recommend that members give first chance to negotiate with the Co-op. The more resources we build the stronger we become!