



July 2025 – CEO REPORT

Introduction

In June 2025, the Mendocino Cannabis Department (“MCD”) reviewed and granted local authorization for 10 active Cannabis Cultivation Business License (“CCBL”) applications. In addition, the Department executed five (5) Local Equity Entrepreneurial Program (“LEEP”) direct grant agreements with local cannabis business operators, distributing \$221K to qualified applicants.

Below are several key accomplishments of MCD in June 2025:

- Issued and renewed approximately 25,000 square feet (0.57 acres) of commercial cannabis cultivation.
- Completed 5 physical inspections of proposed or existing CCBL sites.

Department Fiscal Updates

- The Department collected 18 fees, totaling \$10,449.03
- Fee revenue helps offset staff time dedicated to specific, fee-related tasks
- Staff time is allocated based on time studies conducted for each individual task

For more information on MCD’s Monthly Activity, please click [HERE](#).

I. Effective County Government Organization

- The Department began conducting Priority Inspections in May and will visit 5% of all CCBL sites enrolled in the program by the end of the cultivation season. This effort ensures onsite compliance for all licensed operators.

II. A Safety and Healthy County

- In March 2024, updates to the Mendocino Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance authorized the Department to grant an additional one-year extension to the term of a Compliance Plan, provided the CCBL holder demonstrates good faith efforts toward achieving full compliance. In June 2025, MCD began contacting licensees who were issued with a Compliance Plan to ensure they were on track with completing all items as outlined in the Exhibit A of their plan.

III. A Thriving Economy

- 14 annual licenses were transitioned at the State level, only 73 provisional licenses remain.
- MCD’s current LEEP grant provides up to \$50,000 in funding for business expenses to support eligible cannabis businesses. This grant program is currently in progress, and the Department anticipates being able to fund an additional 5 direct grants already in queue with the current round of funding.