



# **CANNABIS SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM**

**Job training to support  
social equity by providing  
career opportunities in the  
cannabis industry**

For more information about business assistance available under the Coachella Cannabis Social Equity Program, email **[cannabis@coachella.org](mailto:cannabis@coachella.org)** or call **(760) 398-3502.**



Learn more, visit **[CoachellaCannabis.org](https://CoachellaCannabis.org)**



## Program Details

The Coachella Cannabis Social Equity Program will use potential state grants and local funding to help individuals obtain cannabis-related jobs.

The program covers participants' training costs for cultivation, retail operations, transportation, administration, management, and other positions in the cannabis industry.



## Qualifications

All applicants must be 21 years or older, with an annual family income at or below 80% of the Area Median Income.

**Applicants must also meet the requirements of at least one group below:**

### **CLASSIFICATION 1**

---

- ❖ Resident of the City of Coachella
- ❖ Arrest or conviction of the applicant or an immediate family member for a cannabis-related crime in the State of California between 1980 and 2016

### **CLASSIFICATION 2**

---

- ❖ Current resident of the Coachella Valley
- ❖ Lived in a low-income household and was arrested or convicted of a cannabis related crime between 1980 and 2016
- ❖ Net worth less than \$250,000





# Required Documentation

All applicants must provide proof of residence and proof of income.

**1. PROOF OF RESIDENCE** (Must provide two of the following items displaying a Coachella address).

- \* California driver's license or identification card
- \* Property tax bill and proof of payment
- \* Signed rental agreement
- \* Verified copy of state or federal tax return
- \* School records
- \* Medical records
- \* Banking records
- \* Coachella Housing Authority records
- \* Utility, cable, or internet company billing and payment records

**2. PROOF OF INCOME**

- \* Most recently filed federal and state tax returns
- \* One of the following from the past five years:
  - Two months of pay stubs
  - Proof of current eligibility for General Assistance, food stamps, Medi-Cal/ CalWORKs, Supplemental Security Income, or Social Security Disability Insurance

Those who meet the qualifications in Classification 1 must provide one of the following as proof of arrest or conviction for a cannabis-related crime:



- \* Federal or state court records indicating the disposition of the criminal matter
- \* Expungement documentation
- \* Other applicable law enforcement record



## How to apply

Complete program details and an application can be found online at [CoachellaCannabis.org](https://CoachellaCannabis.org).

All individuals interested in participating must set up an appointment to submit a completed application and verify the required documentation.

Please contact the Cannabis Liaison by emailing [cannabis@coachella.org](mailto:cannabis@coachella.org) or calling **(760) 398-3502**.



Learn more, visit [CoachellaCannabis.org](https://CoachellaCannabis.org)