



## NEWS RELEASE

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### Prince George's County Young Democrats

Prince George's County, MD - The Prince George's County Young Democrats support the following:

- **Recreational and medical legalization of cannabis in the state of Maryland.**
- **No cap on "personal use amounts" or grow amounts.**
- **Permanent end to incarceration for possession of cannabis**
- **Absolute maximum sales tax rate of 12.5% to fund the Social Equity Fund, with a localized 2.5% tax for the sole purposes of funding public health and public transportation initiatives,**
- **Automatic expungements and release for individuals who are currently incarcerated for cannabis possession & sale.**
- **Earmarking of jobs and cannabis tax revenue explicitly for communities that had the highest number of drug possession/sales arrests from 1980-2018.**
- **Preference in cannabis licenses for individuals who have been incarcerated for cannabis possession/sales.**
- **Unlimited caps for social equality licenses and small grow licenses**
- **Retroactive fees for the already-admitted licensees who were able to operate without market competition, to provide revenues for the Social Equity Fund**

"The members of PGCYD remain committed to amplifying their voices on potential policy decisions that could impact their communities and daily life. We look forward to working with our elected leaders to ensure that public policy presented before us, is for us and for the betterment of everyone, and not just a select few", Henry said.

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*Interested members of the general public are encouraged to join the Prince George's County Young Democrats, regardless of geographic location, as long as they meet two criteria: they are registered Democrats or Independents, and they are below the age of 40.*

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