



CONNECTICUT SOCIAL EQUITY COUNCIL

The 2025 Council Market Outlook Working Group

Cannabis Marketplace Subcommittee - First Working

Session Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at 10:00 am

Join us virtually on Zoom

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84274990507?pwd=UUbbHui6GpJg1s7nw7G5LRpq9EExwG.1>

Marketplace Co-Chairs:

Nikole Burns (Cannabis) **CT Cannabis Chamber of Commerce**

Chris DiPentima (Non-Cannabis) **Connecticut Business Industry Association**

Council Membership: Andréa Comer (Chair), Kyle Abercrombie, Fanita Borges, Tina Beamon, Corrie Betts, Greg Davis, Avery Gaddis, Andréa Hawkins, Michael Jefferson, Daniel Karpowitz, Melvin Medina, Ojala Naeem, Edwin Shirley, Shirley Skyers-Thomas, Kelli-Marie Vallieres, Charles Venator, and Kevin Walton.

CT Social Equity Council Staff: Brandon L. McGee, Jr. (Chief Executive Officer), Tiffany Araujo, Georgette Cicero, Jessie Coleman, Mariedy Collazo Cruz, Kristina Diamond, Jennifer Edwards, Vera Lembrick, Jennifer Stevens, and Caesar Valentin.

*The SEC Mission is to **promote equitable economic prosperity** by supporting **Social Equity Entrepreneurs** and reinvesting in communities **most impacted** by the war on drugs.*

AGENDA

- A. Welcome and Introductions**
- B. Social Equity Council Overview and Presentation of Preliminary Findings**
- C. Co-Chair Remarks and Objectives of Subcommittee**
- D. Discussion**
- E. Debrief and Questions**
- F. Closing Remarks and Next Steps for 2nd working session (Date TBD)**

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