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*DISCLAIMER:

Completing the Social Equity
Applicant Status Certification
process does not guarantee
approval of Social Equity
Applicant Status and does not
guarantee any future retail license.





PROGRAM MISSION

Rhode Island's Social Equity Technical Assistance Program is designed to empower entrepreneurs, businesses, and stakeholders in the cannabis industry by providing the resources, guidance, and tools necessary to help navigate the regulatory, operational, and market dynamics of the state's cannabis sector.

Established by the Cannabis Act, this program is a critical initiative to ensure equitable access, promote compliance, and support the growth of a thriving and responsible cannabis industry in Rhode Island.

BENEFITS OF SOCIAL EQUITY APPLICANT STATUS CERTIFICATION

Through a structured framework of support, the program aims to:

- Help individuals and businesses on how to meet statutory definition of "Social Equity Applicant"
- Foster and share partnerships with financial institutions for access to capital to disproportionately impacted applicants
- Guide applicants through the licensing and application process with confidence
- Provide market analysis and insights into Rhode Island's cannabis economy
- Highlight and explain benefits from the Social Equity Assistance Program and Fund (SEAF), including start-up grants

RESOURCES

Social Equity Resource Page on the Cannabis Control Commission Website:

- Social Equity FAQs
- Recorded videos on the application process
- Disproportionately Impacted Areas interactive map

Apply for future grants through the Social Equity Assistance Fund (SEAF).

