

Could a Co-op Alliance Legitimize the Cannabis Business?

Everyone knows Oklahoma is the Wild West of Weed! Until now, 2400+ dispensaries, 7500+ grows and some 1500+ processors, have all competed for the OMMA licensed patient/customer. *But what about the general public?*

- Most still perceive Cannabis as bad or illegal.
- Most don't know the significant health benefits.
- Too many dispensaries cause Cannabis Confusion.

By **LEGITIMIZING** the Cannabis Business, we grow the customer base! To start, we must unify and advertise the cosmetic, pain relief, and the other significant health benefits of Cannabis based products! **BUT HOW?**

other significant health benefits of Cannabis based products! **BUT HOW?**Rec will not save the Oklahoma Cannabis business!

In states legalizing recreational use after approval of Medical Cannabis, the total increase has sadly been only about 10%.

How can we grow the overall market and help OK Cannabis businesses survive?

Co-ops are an everyday part of American life. Wherever you live, work or shop, it's likely a cooperative is involved from Grocery and Hardware stores to Credit Unions and Agriculture. Such alliances offer economies of scale. It's a proven concept since Ace Hardware began in the 1920's.



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We NOW propose an Oklahoma Cannabis Co-op Alliance.

Identified Pain Points

mentioned in discovery.

- 1. Marketing: Inability to effectively advertise
- 2. Distribution: Consistent pricing & timely delivery
- 3. Legal & Compliance: Effective compliance help
- 4. Education: Employees, Consumers, Meds and Vets
- 5. Insurance & Healthcare: Reasonably priced
- 6. **Security:** Access to low cost security measures
- 7. Data: Access to Alliance consumer data
- 8. Banking Services: Service and funding options
- 9. Accounting & Taxes: Reliable MRB accounting
- 10. Payroll and HR: Securing and paying good people
- 11. Digital, Social & Websites: Customer remarketing
- 12. Packaging, Signage & Supplies: Less costly options
- 13. Store Sets: Effective designs to maximize sales
- 14. Equipment & Automation: Inexpensive access
- 15. Legislation: Influencing favorable laws and taxes

The GSA Alliance will solve



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these problems, lower costs and increase your profits!

Growing the Customer Base

Marketing & Branding

To grow the patient/customer pool the Alliance can and will legitimize Cannabis in the mind of the public!

- We will build trust for member dispensaries!
- Change public attitude from suspicion to familiarity!
- Focus on health while maintaining current customers!

STEP ONE

MARKETING & BRANDING





Alliance Marketing (including members):

- Weekly Radio Show, GSA Today
- Billboards in OKC, then Tulsa and statewide
- Streaming/Connected TV advertising
- Digital video ads on TV apps & websites
- **Geo-fencing your competitor locations**
- Re-targeting keyword searches to members
- YouTube Marketing & Podcasts
- Member Links on GSAOK.com
- 9. Member ads & listing in the OMMDirectory
- 10. GSA Entry Rug for all member businesses
- 11. E-commerce website for every member!

Reducing your monthly costs!

Business Solutions

The Alliance will bring lower cost solutions to your business to save you money every month, right NOW!

It will also begin to stabilize wholesale costs, bring exclusive products, lower operation costs, and improve profits!

- I. Eliminating or lowering costs for POS and Weedmaps
 - 2. Employee education for better customer service
 - 3. Common Point of Sale for sales forecasting
 - 4. Insurance, for both Health & Business
 - 5. Banking, compliance and payroll
 - 6. Across member marketing
 - 7. Infrastructure savings
 - 8. Legal service savings

Preparing for the Future!

lacktriangle Influencing Community and Legislative Actions \lacktriangle

The unity of the Alliance will give us power to influence upcoming legislation, coming recreational legalization, better taxation and compliance outcomes through Alliance lobbying and involvement.

- 1. The unity of an Oklahoma Cannabis Alliance
- 2. Strong unified Legislative Lobbying Efforts
- 3. Closer relations with State Government
- 4. Direct OMMA Cooperation & Support
- 5. Oklahoma Dispensary Association

. Influencing favorable taxation

LEGISLATIVE

STEP 3

7. Trade Show Participation

& TAX SOLUTIONS

STEP 2
BUSINESS
SOLUTIONS



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So, what happens to your business, if your Pain Points aren't addressed?



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Creating Cannabis Legitimacy among the general public!

Some say, "What you want isn't on the menu!"

I say, "Cook it yourself."

- Buffy Sainte-Marie
Native American Activist, Poet and Singer



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Bringing the power of unity and the economy of scale to Independent, Oklahoma-Owned Cannabis Businesses

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We're ready to answer your questions, to show you how we can save you money & increase profits.

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