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Pritzker Administration Announces Results of Social Equity Criteria Lottery to Award 55 Conditional Adult Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization Licenses

Applicants must prove certain social equity eligibility criteria and other licensing requirements in order to be issued a conditional license

CHICAGO – Governor JB Pritzker and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation ("IDFPR") announced today the results of the Social Equity Criteria Lottery ("SECL") for 55 Conditional Adult Use Cannabis Dispensary Licenses. Almost 2,700 applicants participated in the lottery, which was held in conjunction by IDFPR and the Illinois Lottery. Before Conditional Licenses are issued, the Department will initiate a review process to ensure applicants selected meet all statutorily required rules. Once confirmed, the Department will issue a Conditional License. The results of the SECL may be found online <u>here</u> and below.

"From the beginning of legalization of cannabis in Illinois, my administration has been committed to ensuring social equity is at the forefront of our state's historic industry," **said Governor JB Pritzker**. "This streamlined application process led to the number of lottery participants almost tripling from our first round of lotteries just two years ago. The hard work of my administration, the General Assembly, and industry stakeholders only reinforced our commitment to social equity and laid the groundwork for today's successful lottery."

"Today's lottery means tomorrow's successes, with more communities and more people from all backgrounds being able to enter this expanding industry," **said Mario Treto**, **Jr., IDFPR Secretary**. "From Cairo to Winthrop Harbor, a more accessible lottery means more accessible opportunities to benefit the entire State of Illinois. We will continue our mission to keep improving the dispensary licensing process and we look forward to writing the next chapter for thriving cannabis business, together."

Each applicant selected in the SECL must prove to the Department certain social equity eligibility criteria and other licensing requirements in order to be issued a conditional license. The Department has published a helpful <u>Next Steps</u> guide that answers some common questions about the SECL and licensing process.

All updates and additional information about the SECL will be found on <u>IDFPR's Adult</u> <u>Use Cannabis Program webpage</u>.

List of Top Participants by BLS Region in Social Equity Criteria Lottery

On July 13, 2023, the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation ("Department") conducted the Social Equity Criteria Lottery ("SECL"), with 17 BLS Region drawings for 55 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses ("Conditional Licenses"). The Department conducted the SECL pursuant to <u>Section 15-35.20(c)</u> of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act and <u>68 IAC 1291.400</u> and <u>405</u> of the Illinois Administrative Code.

The below tables for each of the 17 BLS Regions identify each Top Participant in that region. Top Participant means "*an applicant drawn by lot in a winning slot such that it has the opportunity to be issued a conditional license.*" See <u>68 IAC 1291.10</u>. A Top Participant must proceed through the processes identified in <u>68 IAC 1291.410-440</u> in order to be issued a Conditional License, as well as meet certain other licensing requirements, including proof of tax compliance, statutory license limitations, and child support requirements.

Top Participants have 45 days, beginning Friday, July 14, 2023 through Monday, August 28, 2023 to submit proof of their conditional license eligibility.

The Department has at least 60 days to assess such proof. If the Department determines that a Top Participant is ineligible for licensure after the required deficiency periods, the Department may deny that Top Participant licensure and offer the opportunity to the next applicant drawn in that BLS Region. Therefore, the below tables may be updated if a Top Participant is denied a Conditional License and new Top Participants may be added based on the full draw results.

The full draw results are available <u>here</u>.

The posting of this list and the full draw results is not a final agency decision.

Term	Meaning
Proposed Entity Name	This is the name the applicant submitted as its "Proposed Entity Name" on the original application. Some applicants chose to use a business or corporate name, such as an LLC. Applicants were not required to have formed a business entity prior to submitting an application, therefore some applicants may be identified as placeholders like "TBD" or other generic proposed names.
Unique Application Number	The Unique Application Number (UAN) is the individual identification number associated with a singular, particular application.
Unique Lottery Number	 The Unique Lottery Number (ULN) is assigned to each entry in the SECL. The ULN number is similar to a commonly understood "lottery ball number" although the Illinois Lottery uses a highly advanced computer system and not actual lottery balls. Each UAN is assigned a ULN. The Illinois Lottery's computer system uses a 9-digit number. Once the Department posts the Official Draw Results from the Illinois Lottery, the ULN number will be proceeded by 6-8 zeros, depending on how many ULNs were needed for that particular BLS Region. For example, if your group has the ULN number "1", the Illinois Lottery's system will display it as "00000001".
Order Drawn	This reflects the order in which the Unique Lottery Numbers were drawn in the lottery.

BLS Region 1: Bloomington – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	3	4313649	Horse Lake

BLS Region 2: Cape Girardeau – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	2	4286856	People Dispensary

BLS Region 3: Carbondale-Marion – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	2	4298117	Agitite Wellness

BLS Region 4: Champaign-Urbana – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	15	4285232	One stop shop

BLS Region 5: Chicago – 36 Conditional Licenses Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	1169	4297777	Smoke Pot
2	1639	4313814	Puffin Paradise LLC
3	1235	4311161	MABIN LLC
4	1854	4313639	Silver Jade, LLC
5	1486	4314142	DBJ Wellness Co
6	1027	4311859	Peacful Dispensary
7	1964	4298882	Tan Leaf LLC
8	360	4297707	TC Investment
9	93	4294111	Lake & Damen Dispensary #1 LLC
10	140	4297714	Freshly Farmed
10	1694	429//14 4311219	Reece LLC
12	790	4297624	Greenhouse Gratitude SE LLC
13	1213	4313508	Loud Clouds LLC
14	23	4298278	ALIM BETTER DAYZ LLC
15	1741	4296943	PotVenture
16	2139	4313684	Glacier Dispensary
17	1612	4313670	Potluck THC LLC
18	1642	4313705	purezenllc@proton.me
19	492	4298194	Waukegan II
20	157	4298336	Tasman Bernstein Cannabis LLC
21	1342	4296212	Mindfully Planted SE LLC
22	2162	4314253	Wunderland dispensaries
23	2231	4296622	WocyWacked
24	1803	4296455	Santiago LLC
25	2192	4299217	Canna Farm dispensary
26	249	4298521	Hemporium
27	292	4294216	CANIBICOM LLC
28	358	4313713	Wellness Quest
29	2038	4297830	The Kaneh Group
30	1277	4297145	Mason North, LLC
31	873	4298186	Hello Highs SE LLC
32	1948	4313933	Sweet Emerald LLC
33	181	4311719	Black Peony LLC
34	56	4314110	Grady Illinois
35	268	4297855	Points of Seven
36	1778	4302409	Hyghroad LLC

BLS Region 6: Danville – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	8	4296692	Danville Dream Equity LLC

BLS Region 7: Davenport-Moline-Rock Island – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	26	4313097	HVN CAPITAL

BLS Region 8: Decatur – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	5	4313335	Bliss Garden

BLS Region 9: Kankakee – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	14	4296675	Yermian Investments II LLC

BLS Region 10: Peoria – 2 Conditional Licenses Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	15	4297734	Zepln Enterprises
2	9	4286525	Miggy's Pot Shop

BLS Region 11: Rockford – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	36	4297049	Green His Story

BLS Region 12: St. Louis – 3 Conditional Licenses Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	7	4296516	Studio
2	11	4296088	ILLINOIS RETAILER SE20
3	4	4297820	ILLINOIS RETAILER SE25

BLS Region 13: Springfield – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	6	4294866	Spring Lucius Community
			LLC

BLS Region 14: Northwest Illinois nonmetropolitan – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	15	4294018	Highly Recommend

BLS Region 15: West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan– 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	2	4297115	Stacy Hanlin DBA Lealeas

BLS Region 16: East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	6	4298144	BudTender

BLS Region 17: South Illinois nonmetropolitan – 1 Conditional License Available

Order Drawn	Unique Lottery Number	Unique Application Number	Proposed Entity Name
1	5	4302916	Elevated Institute

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