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Ascend Wellness Holdings

Proposal to co-locate a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (MTC) at
268-272 Friend Street, Boston, MA 02114

Presentation before the Boston Cannabis Board

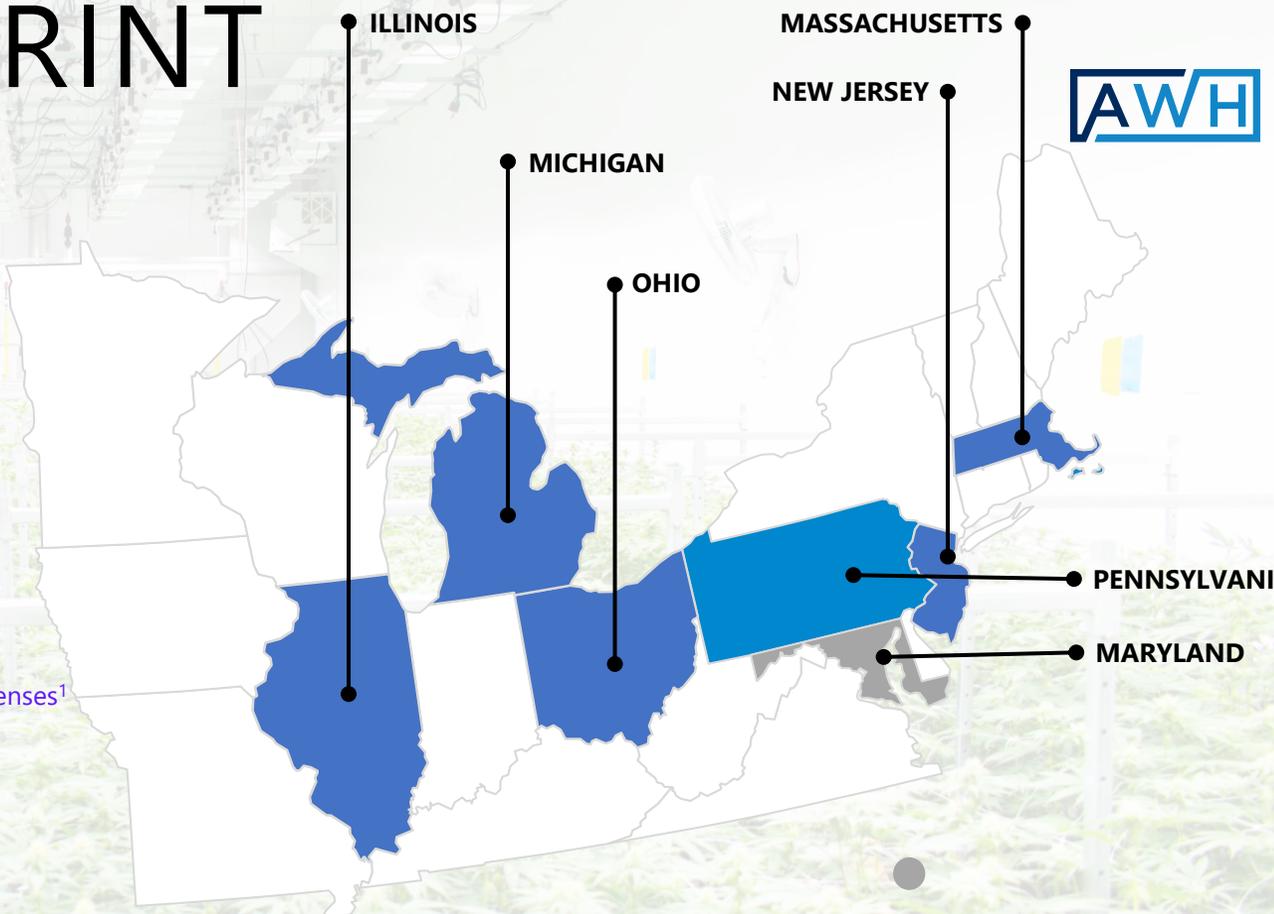
February 14th, 2024

EXPANDING FOOTPRINT



7 states

33 operating dispensaries



ILLINOIS

9 retail
1 retail pending close²
1 cultivation / processing

NEW JERSEY

3 retail
1 cultivation / processing

MICHIGAN

8 retail
1 cultivation / processing

MASSACHUSETTS

3 retail
1 cultivation / processing

OHIO

2 medical retail
3 medical retail pending close²
1 cultivation / processing

PENNSYLVANIA¹

2 retail
4 planned medical retail licenses¹
1 cultivation / processing

MARYLAND²

4 retail licenses



1. License is owned by AWH, but the site is not yet operational and/or under construction. Includes Century, MI; and 4 Pennsylvania dispensaries.
 2. Includes pending acquisition of Ohio Patient Access LLC (3 OH dispensaries), Homecoming paper IL dispensary license (to be sited in Tinley Park, IL), InLabs IL dispensary license (to be sited in Northlake, IL), and Devi Holdings Inc (4 dispensaries in MD).
 Note: Timeline illustrative; does not necessarily reflect scale. Canopy includes total canopy (vegetation, flower, and propagation).

Proposed Changes

- **Co-locate a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (MTC)** with existing Marijuana Retailer at 268-272 Friend Street, Boston, MA 02114.

Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (MTC), formerly known as a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD)), means an entity licensed under 935 CMR 501.101 that acquires, cultivates, possesses, Processes (including development of related products such as Edibles, MIPs, Tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), Repackages, transports, sells, distributes, delivers, dispenses, or administers Marijuana, products containing Marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to Registered Qualifying Patients or their Personal Caregivers for medical use. Unless otherwise specified, MTC refers to the site(s) of dispensing, cultivation, and preparation of Marijuana for medical use.

- **Change hours of operation** from Monday—Sunday: 9AM-9PM to **9AM-10PM**.

Nearby Marijuana Establishments with similar hours of operation:

AYR, 827-829 Boylston Street
Monday – Sunday: 10AM-10PM

Rooted In, 331 Newbury Street
Monday –Tuesday: 10AM-10PM
Wed.—Saturday: 10AM-11PM
Sunday: 11PM-8PM

Apex Noire, 150 State Street
Sunday—Monday: 11AM-9PM
Tuesday—Saturday: 10AM-11PM

The Need for More MTCs

Rev Clinics
67 Broadway,
Sommerville
~1.84 mi



Berkshire Roots
251-253 Meridian
Street, East Boston
~1.39 mi

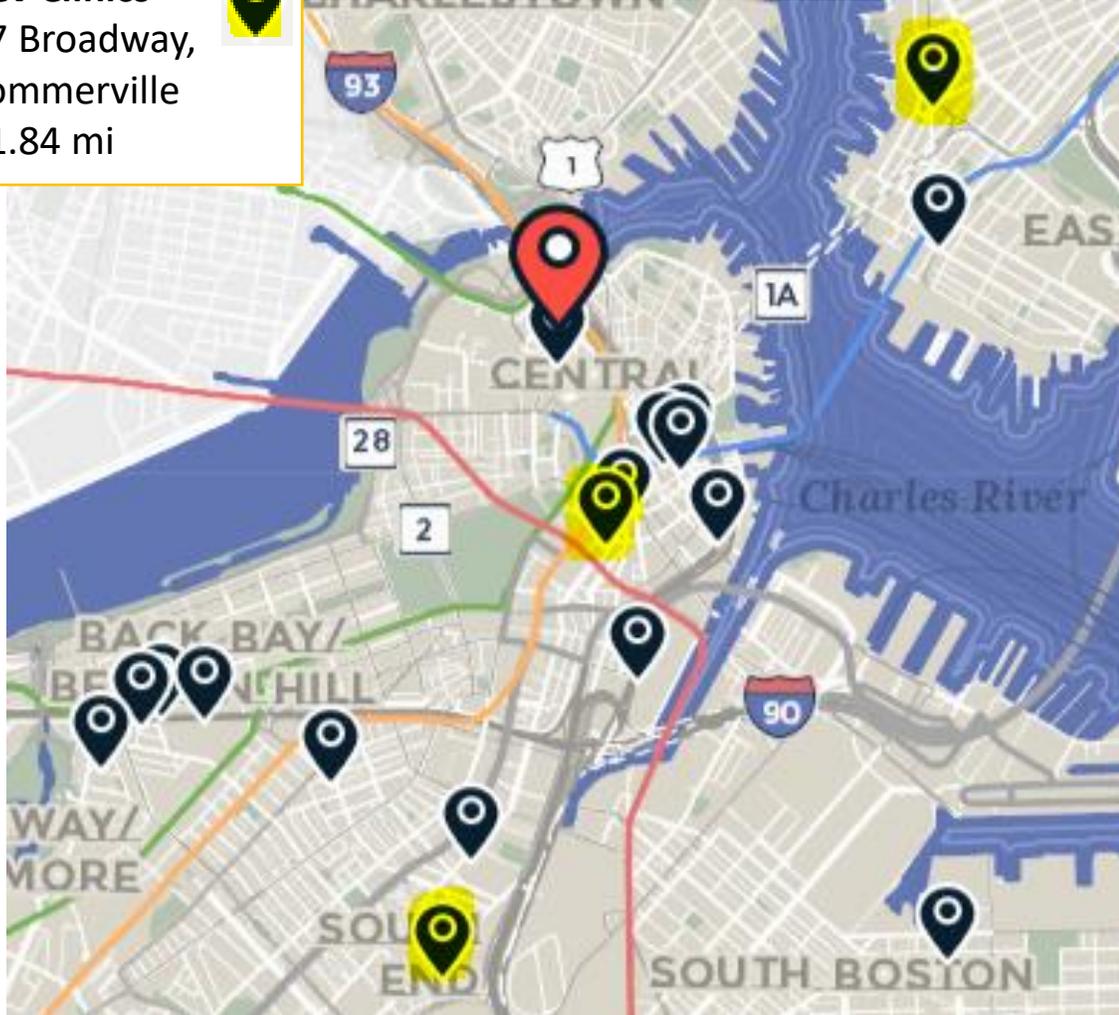
Cannabist
21 Milk Street,
Downtown
~0.57 mi

REBELLE
591 Albany Street,
Roxbury
~1.91 mi

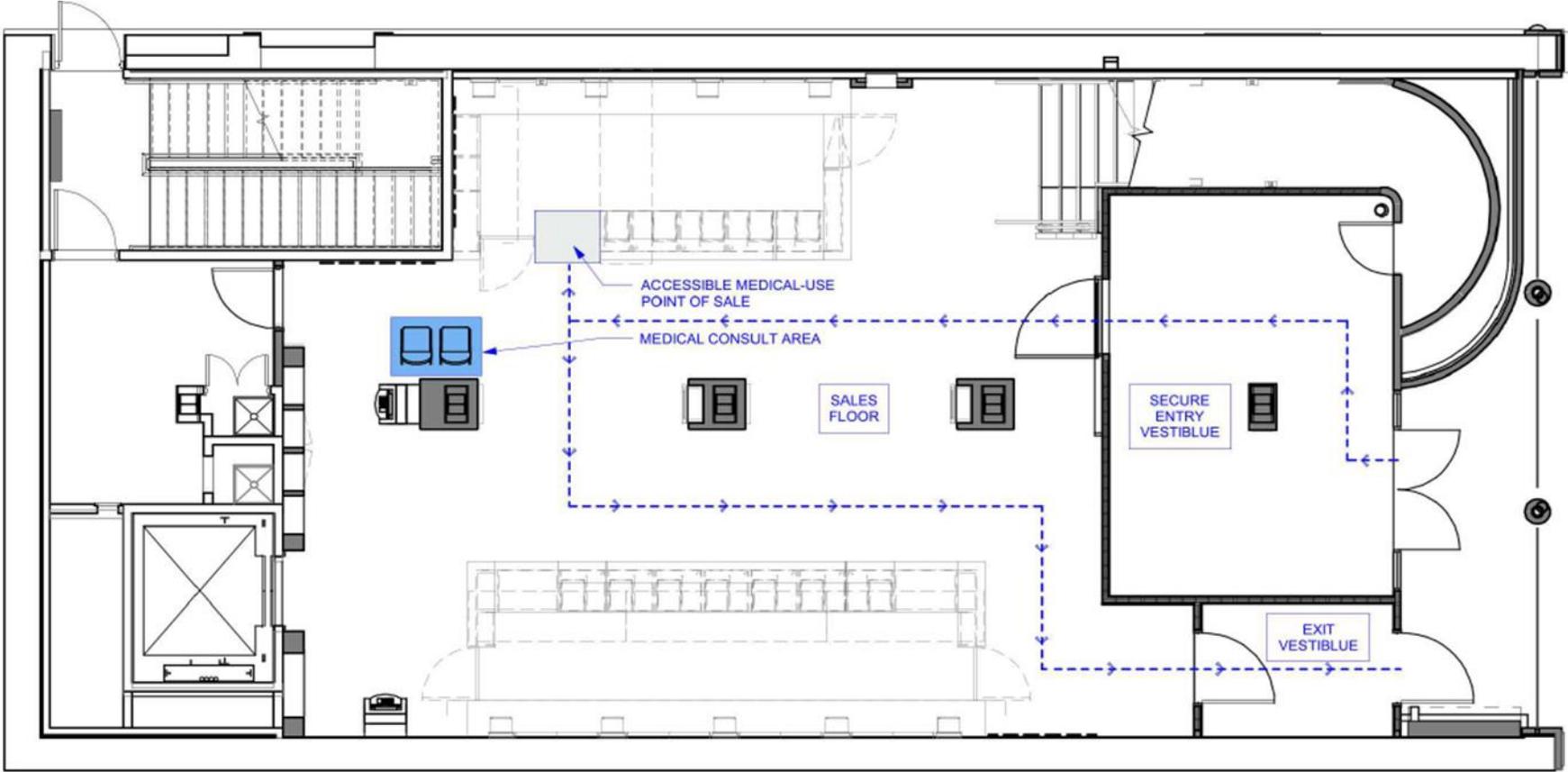
Within (2) two miles of Ascend's Boston location, there are (4) four MTCs.

In 2021, the CCC reported 100,000 certified medical marijuana patients in Massachusetts, the highest since marijuana was legalized for medical purposes in 2012.

That number is expected to grow as the market expands. Moreover, the CCC has remarked that the number of patients using medical marijuana increased significantly during the pandemic. Given these figures, it is estimated that approximately two percent of the population are expected to become patients.



Proposed Floor Plan to Accommodate an MTC



1 FIRST FLOOR
SCALE: 3/16" = 1'-0"

Ascend Friend St
274 FRIEND STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114

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MEDICAL-USE DIAGRAM FIRST FLOOR
Drawn by: - BKA # 218131
AUGUST 11, 2023

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BKA ARCHITECTS

Boston / Brockton
142 Crescent
Street
Brockton, MA 02302
508.583.5603

Process

Event	Date
Receive refusal letter from ISD	11/6/2023
File appeal with ZBA	11/21/2023
Abutters/Community Outreach Meeting	12/11/2023
Meeting with WECA	1/4/2024
Meeting with Downtown North Association	1/11/2024

Engagement

- Offer reduced cost marijuana to medical patients with a Verified Financial Hardship when available
- Removed window decals from upper windows
- Implemented two-strike ban on trash scofflaws
- Joined Downtown North Association
- Letter of support from Councilors Sharon Durkan and Ed Flynn



Questions?