

NEW JERSEY ARRESTS MORE THAN

32,000

PEOPLE EVERY YEAR FOR MARIJUANA POSSESSION AT A COST OF

\$140 MILLION

TO TAXPAYERS

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CONSEQUENCES OF A MARIJUANA ARREST OR CONVICTION CAN INCLUDE DIFFICULTY WITH:



HOUSING



EMPLOYMENT



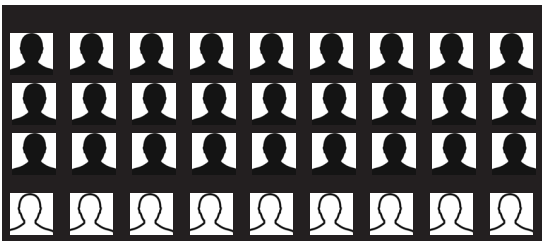
DRIVERS' LICENSES



STUDENT LOANS

AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE 3X MORE LIKELY TO GET ARRESTED FOR MARIJUANA POSSESSION THAN WHITES, DESPITE SIMILAR RATES OF USE. SIMILAR DISPARITIES EXIST FOR LATINOS.

3X



MARIJUANA PROHIBITION HAS BEEN USED TO SUPPORT BIASED POLICIES


1 STOP AND FRISK

2 RACIAL PROFILING


3 DEPORTATION OF PEOPLE OF COLOR




Fair and equitable marijuana legalization must incorporate racial and social justice provisions, including:



Automatic and retroactive expungement for people previously convicted of marijuana offenses.



Investment of the revenue generated into the communities disproportionately impacted by marijuana prohibition.



Penalties for marijuana activities that occur outside the new legal system must be civil penalties rather than criminal.



Equal opportunity to access the jobs and wealth generated by the marijuana industry.

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