

The cannabis law reform movement needs YOU. Please do what you can.

As the report by the Senate Special Committee on Illegal Drugs states, "The continued prohibition of cannabis jeopardizes the health and well-being of Canadians much more than does the substance itself." Ending the expensive and harmful policy of cannabis prohibition is an important social justice issue, but without pressure to do so, politicians will continue along with the status quo.

There are plenty of ways to help in the effort to bring about rational cannabis policy in Canada. Being an "activist" simply means you've chosen to take action. Below are 10 suggestions for ways to help...

1. Initiate discussions with friends and family

You don't need to talk about your own cannabis use in order to discuss important topics such as the war on drugs, or the harms created by cannabis prohibition. It's very important for more of Canada's three million cannabis consumers to step forward and challenge common stereotypes and misinformation about cannabis.

2. Attend rallies and marches

Keep up to date on marijuana-related events in your area and show your support by attending. It's important for us to draw attention to, and put a human face on, this issue. Showing up to support these kinds of events also helps build a sense of unity, strength and optimism within the movement.

👉 Canadian Cannabis Events Calendar - www.frankdiscussion.net/events.html

3. Write letters-to-editors (LTE's)

Using the media in this way to spread our message is a free and effective tactic. If you're concerned about your name appearing in the media you can write LTE's for newspapers outside your local area.

*An LTE is also a great opportunity to communicate to the cannabis community as well, stressing the importance of getting involved. We need as many people as possible making an effort.

👉 Great LTE Resources available at: Media Awareness Project (MAP) - www.mapinc.org

4. Write letters to politicians

Mail may be sent postage-free to any Member at the following address:

👉 Find your Member of Parliament online...
http://canada.gc.ca/directories/direct_e.html

Name of MP
House of Commons
Parliament Buildings
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0A6

5. Volunteer for, or donate to, an activist group or cannabis law reform organization

Want to become active and don't know where to start? Find an activist or activist organization that's already doing something and ask them how you can help. Give your support to the organizations that are working for all of our rights. They need your financial assistance. Our opposition has much deeper pockets.

👉 Canadian Cannabis Coalition - www.cannabiscoalition.ca [click on "Participating Organizations"]

6. Vote for political parties that endorse regulating and taxing cannabis.

This is one language that all politicians understand. If they do not know how you feel about cannabis laws they will not be influenced in that direction.

8. Print up some cannabis information flyers and drop them off at your local hemp shop.

👉 Download Flyers - www.frankdiscussion.net/info_flyers.html

9. Support hemp and cannabis related businesses

Buying hemp and cannabis-related products will strengthen the industry and legitimize cannabis consumers as a viable demographic. Support businesses that support marijuana law reform. Supporting them supports the cause.

10. Participate in online discussions, newsgroups, and radio/TV call-in shows.

Keep an eye out for various ways to get the message out. Online discussion forums and internet newsgroups are an opportunity to educate. On a high traffic web sites many people might read your response. Radio and TV call-in shows are another great opportunities to reach large numbers of the public.

Be part of the solution. Stay educated by keeping current with cannabis-related news:

MAPinc.org CannabisLink.ca DrugSense.org MarijuanaNews.com Cannabisnews.com

For more cannabis information flyers visit: FrankDiscussion.net