

Edmonton Stop Marijuana Grow Ops Coalition



Raising awareness and understanding of the risks grow ops pose to our community.

REACH Edmonton is the backbone organization of the Coalition; bringing together diverse agencies, groups and people together as partners to collaborate on how to address underlying issues that contribute to crime.

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Why?

- The Coalition was created to respond to the negative impact of marijuana grow ops and the safety issues it posed to communities and neighbourhoods in Edmonton

Who?

- The Coalition is comprised of representatives from provincial and municipal governments, health, insurance, real estate, housing, utilities, business and police
- There are now over 30 stakeholders province-wide

What?

The Coalition works to:

- Inform and protect the public
- Reduce the impact of grow ops
- Raise awareness and understanding of the risks grow ops pose to a community's health, vibrancy and safety
- Lobby for legislative changes and consistent approaches to the dismantling and remediation of grow ops

How?

- Development of remediation standards with scientific basis and further pursuit of inspection criteria and certification process by health services and the municipality
- Created tools and support mechanisms for education and sustainable strategies ready to hand off to stakeholder groups and the public at large
- The Coalition has taken a lead on advocating for an Alberta Policy while successfully linking with other jurisdictions across Canada

Where?

- Coalition information is distributed at REACH OutREACH events (i.e., safety fairs, community events, conferences and public forums)
- Mass mailouts of the "How to Spot a Grow Op" brochure

When?

- The Coalition has been active since 2005
- The Coalition meets four times a year and plans to meet with other major municipalities in the near future again