

# **PHRC 2021 Policy Priorities**

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# **Housing Access**

Everyone deserves access to housing. Period.



### Source of Income protections and expansion

The Providence Human Relations Commission is committed to protecting tenants from racist, classist housing practices and to advocating for the expansion of a discrimination ban based on source of income statewide.



### Supporting a statewide bond for affordable housing

Efforts statewide to increase affordable housing opportunities deserves to be fully funded.



Making right the wrongs of the past is where we need to start.



## Resentencing, expungement, and clemency

To address systemic harms, legalization must include processes for clemency, resentencing, and expungement that are speedy, automatic, and free of cost.



#### Elimination of collateral consequences

The collateral consequences of a cannabis conviction can significantly derail a person's life, restricting their ability to secure employment, housing, and many public services. Rhode Island should ensure that no one continues to face the collateral consequences of a cannabis conviction.



#### Fair fines and fees

Rhode Island should forgive outstanding debts for cannabis fines and fees, which have harmed low-income communities and communities of color for decades.



#### **Inclusive legal markets**

Legalization must include equitable access to cannabis businesses and dispensaries, not just for the well-resourced, well-connected few.



At a minimum, we need increased access and transparency if we expect accountability in law enforcement.



## **Enforcement of policy violations**

From body camera usage or the use of force policy, police policies need to be enforced properly and LEOBOR needs to be fully repealed.



# Comprehensive data collection, transparency, and access

The community deserves unfettered access to comprehensive data on all police matters.

