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The Applegate Valley Community Newspaper, Inc. (AVCN), provides the many rural and diverse communities of the Applegate Watershed with a communications vehicle, the *Applegater* newsmagazine, free of charge to all watershed residents. Our quarterly paper presents constructive, relevant, educational and entertaining reports on a wide variety of subjects such as:

- natural resources
- ecology and other science information
- historical and current events
- community news and opinions

AVCN encourages and publishes differing viewpoints and, through the *Applegater* newsmagazine, acts as a clearinghouse for this diverse community. We are dedicated to working together with community members to maintain and enhance the quality of life that is unique to the Applegate Watershed.

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Here is the story of Green Leaf Lab, a valued, long-time advertiser. See ad on page 8.

Green Leaf Lab is a full-service cannabis analytical laboratory that provides quality control testing of cannabis and hemp products. All testing is performed in-house. Some of the many services Green Leaf Lab offers include pesticide analysis, residual solvent analysis, potency and terpene testing, as well as sampling and product research and development.



Green Leaf Lab was established in 2011 by Rowshan Reordan. Living in Williams and surrounded by the cannabis community, Rowshan realized the need for scientific information to legitimize the industry and ensure that cannabis was safe for consumption. Green Leaf Lab's mission has been to provide accurate information with the highest standard of integrity.

In 2011, the cannabis industry was still in its infant stages and no one had thought about quality-control testing for cannabis. Looking back, the idea was a no-brainer. All products that are consumed in the United States are required to undergo strict quality-control testing. However, applying that standard to cannabis was a novel idea at that time.

While the industry has undergone its hurdles and quality-control testing for cannabis has developed since 2011, there is still need for more oversight. Even though Oregon requires cannabis analytical laboratories to be accredited and licensed in order to operate, there is no oversight or enforcement to ensure compliance.

Green Leaf Lab has been a leader in the industry and is proud to be the oldest cannabis laboratory in Oregon. It was also the first cannabis laboratory in the nation to become accredited and licensed by a state agency. Rowshan is proud that during the process of owning and growing her business, she has been able to maintain ownership to ensure that Green Leaf Lab is 100 percent Oregon grown and owned and continues to support its local roots through local employment and donating to important local causes.

Green Leaf is excited to announce that they have expanded their instrumentation and personnel to ensure faster turnaround times. Says Rowshan, "Our goal is to continue offering our clients informed and educated assistance from the start of the sampling process to interpretation of test results at the end. If you want to ensure the cannabis you consume is tested with integrity and accuracy, ask for Green Leaf Lab tested products."

For more information about Green Leaf Lab, visit [greenleaflab.org](http://greenleaflab.org) or follow it on Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. To order testing, contact Paul Burton at 541-670-6679 or Shawn Butler at 541-690-6803.

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