



ANTHONY

Would you vote yes or no to legalize marijuana for recreational use?

Yes, because recreational use really nobody is thinking about doing any harm to anybody. There are less side effects to marijuana than any prescription drug that's made by the pharmaceutical companies.

How do you feel about dispensaries going in around town?

I think it's OK as long as they do it with discretion, not to really target kids.

How old do you think people should be to be able to smoke?

I think they should be 21. The reason why is because if you allow a juvenile — 18, 19 — to overindulge, it can cloud your judgment, it can cloud your decisions and your thought process.

Have you partaken or do you partake?

Absolutely. The reason why I partake is because it helps me balance my mind and it also helps me to breed creativity with the words and it helps me get through different writer's blocks.

Do you remember the first time you smoked out?

I was probably 16. The first time I smoked, it was so much of a high that I didn't really like it ... We really couldn't do nothing for like about 30 minutes; we sat on the couch and just looked at each other.



FRANCINE

Would you vote yes or no to legalize recreational use of marijuana?

Yes, because it has a lot of medicinal purposes. Drinking is dangerous and that's legal. There's no deaths from medical marijuana — it's safe, has a lot of benefits and it would help with the taxes, the economy in Oregon. It's been doing really well in Colorado and Washington.

How do you feel about dispensaries going in around town?

Great. It will help with business and the economy here, getting more jobs.

Do you think that people should be able to smoke in public?

Yeah. People smoke cigarettes and you get secondhand smoke and that can kill you, and there's no harmful thing from smoking marijuana so it's silly that you can't smoke in public.

Do you think there should be a minimum age to smoke pot?

18. I feel like alcohol should be 18 too. You're an adult; you should be able to make your decisions if you're smoking.

Have you partaken?

I smoked because I had cancer. I struggled with cancer when I was 18 and it helped me.



PHILLIP

Would you vote yes or no to legalize recreational use?

I'm going to have to say yes and no. Let's go yes 60 percent and no 40 percent because there's lots of control still. The control has been taken away from the farmer. What's going to happen when it becomes legal?

How old should someone be to legally smoke?

I feel that if they need the medicine there should be no age limit. A 5-year-old child should be able to get cannabis if he has tuberculosis ... And that's the other thing too. Why can't it just be recreational? Maybe someone doesn't have cancer or they don't have broken bones and things, and they want to just alleviate the stress and the pressures of the day by unwinding with a joint or smoking a bowl — what's wrong with that?

Do you remember your first experience with marijuana?

Yeah, we weren't even sure it was real. Back in like 1968 or something, it had seeds in it and it looked like little clumps of dirt. We actually tried to grow some of the seeds.

How old were you?

About 10.

What was the experience like?

It was great, except that I had to go home [laughs].



CORY

Would you vote yes or no to legalize recreational pot?

I'd vote yes. Primarily, decriminalization I think is necessary because the jails are full of people; there's a lot of people there for smoking marijuana, which I think is not really that damaging. There's a balance. It's not as bad of a drug as some things that are already legal, so I perceive an irony in that that should be straightened out. We're wasting a lot of money treating it as a criminal problem. We're hurting peoples' lives.

How old should someone be to legally partake?

Again, I think it should be kinda on par with alcohol.

Should people be able to smoke in public?

Again, we've got laws against drinking in public — we should probably have parity there.



SKYLAR

Do you think pot should be legalized for recreational use?

Yes, because it has less harmful effects than people make it out to be. I also think it would be great for the economy.

How do you feel about the dispensaries?

I think it will come down to being the same thing as a liquor store. You just have to be the right age to utilize it.

How old do you think people should be to smoke?

21.

Should people be able to smoke in public?

No. That's not good for kids.

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