BLLC Community Connection

A Community Engagement Newsletter from the Baltimore City Liquor Board

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BLLC Cannabis Guidance

On August 25, 2023, the BLLC issued a guidance document for licensees and the general public to answer questions about newly enacted cannabis legislation.

The guidance reminds licensees that:

- -Licensees must not allow cannabis use on their premises.
- -Licensed establishments cannot sell cannabis in any form.
- -Licensed establishments may not provide cannabis in any form (hookah, vapes, rolling papers, etc.) -The public can submit alleged

violations using 311.

Please see the document for more details on the guidance, and direct any further questions to Deputy Executive Secretary Nicholas Blendy, Nicholas.Blendy3@baltimorecity.gov.

Staying Up to Date with BLLC

If you do not currently receive BLLC emails when Hearing Schedules are published, please be sure to <u>send</u> <u>your email to Kimberly Kerns</u>, BLLC Executive Assistant, and ask to be added to the distribution list.

Community Association Updates

If your community organization has a change in leadership or contact info, please let us know. Also, we would like to remind community associations or other stakeholder groups that Community Liaison Matt Achhammer is available for presentations.

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Halloween 2023: BLLC, City Agencies, Work to Prepare for Festivities

Every year, Halloween in Baltimore brings with it many festivities and celebrations, especially in areas with multiple licensed locations in close proximity, such as Fell's Point and Federal Hill. The BLLC Inspection Division is working in collaboration with City agencies to prepare for Halloween festivities in multiple neighborhoods.

This year, there are two authorized Pub Crawls that will take place on Saturday, October 28th: Federal Hill-o-ween in Federal Hill area, and the Baltimore Halloween Crawl in Fell's Point. Under State Law, Pub Crawls must apply well in advance and follow guidelines in order to operate within the City (<u>Pub Crawl Permit</u> and <u>FAQ</u>).

For all of the weekend before and on Halloween, BLLC Inspectors, Executive Staff, and the Community Liaison will be present across the City, particularly in Fell's Point, Federal Hill, Canton Square, and Power Plant Live to monitor pub crawls, licensed establishments, and compliance with safe operations requirements. Inspectors will visit establishments and remind licensees about concerns such as proper ID checking, noise levels, and crowd control.



Community Questions: One Day Licenses

Each month our Community Liaison visits with associations across the City and receives many different questions about our operations. One popular question recently has been about one-day licenses. One day licenses are issued for non-profit groups and associations and must be applied for at least (10) ten days prior to the event. More information on these types of licenses and the application process can be found on our website and below:

- One Day License Frequently Asked Question Sheet [PDF]
- One Day License Application Form [PDF]







Above: Recent examples of issued one-day licenses – Waterfront Partnership's Sunset Jams @ Rash Field, The International Edgar Allan Poe Festival, and St. Francis Neighborhood Center Oktoberfest.