



# Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board

## **Social Equity Program Updates**

April 24, 2024

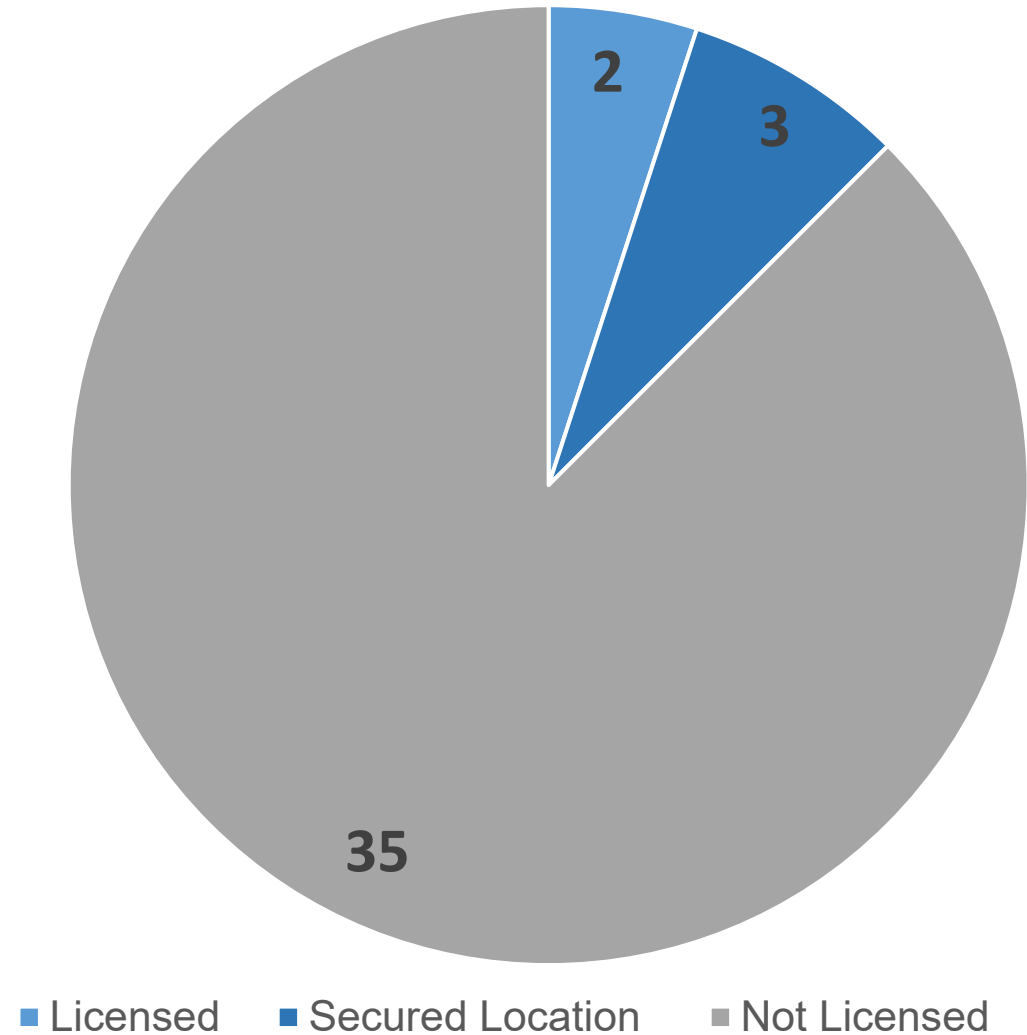


# Overview

- Social Equity Applicants and Title Certificate Holders – progress update
- Social Equity Plans
- Department of Commerce's Grant Program
- Social Equity Rubric

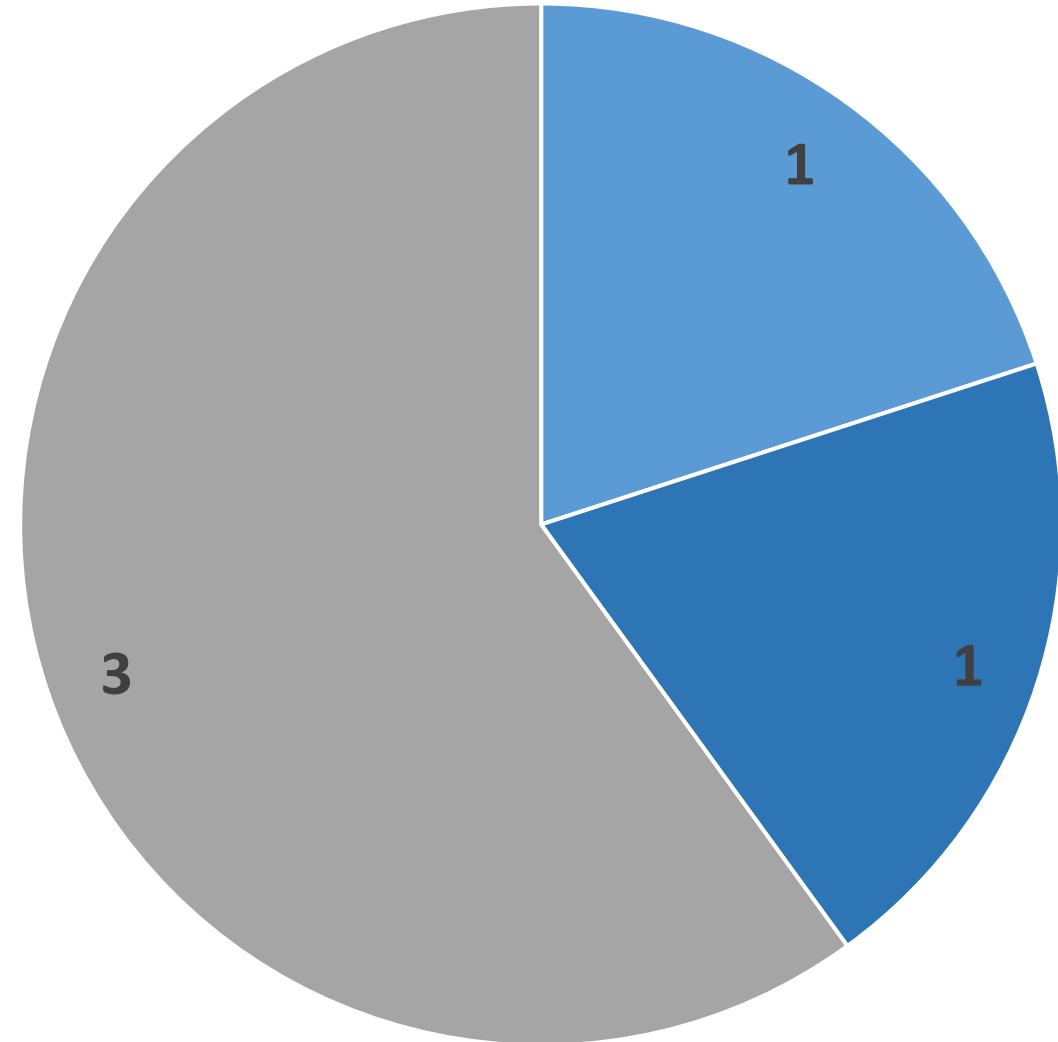


## Social Equity Applicants



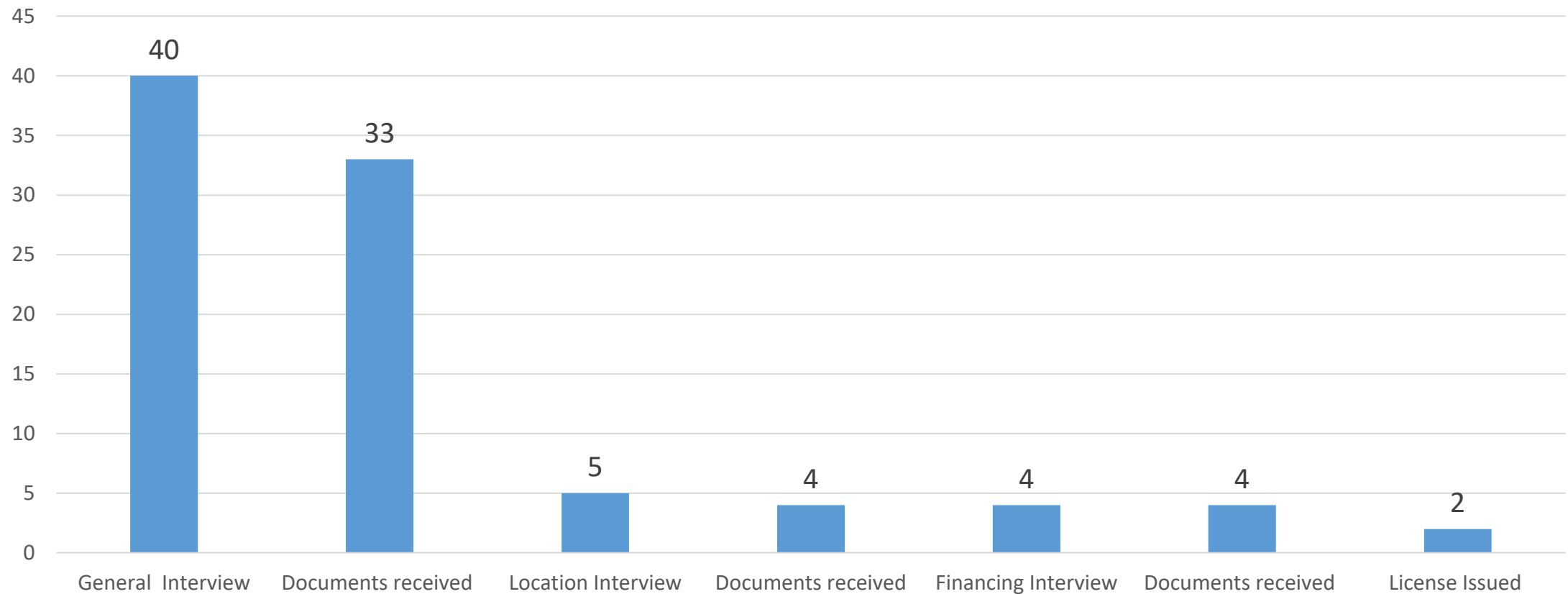


## Social Equity Title Certificate Holders

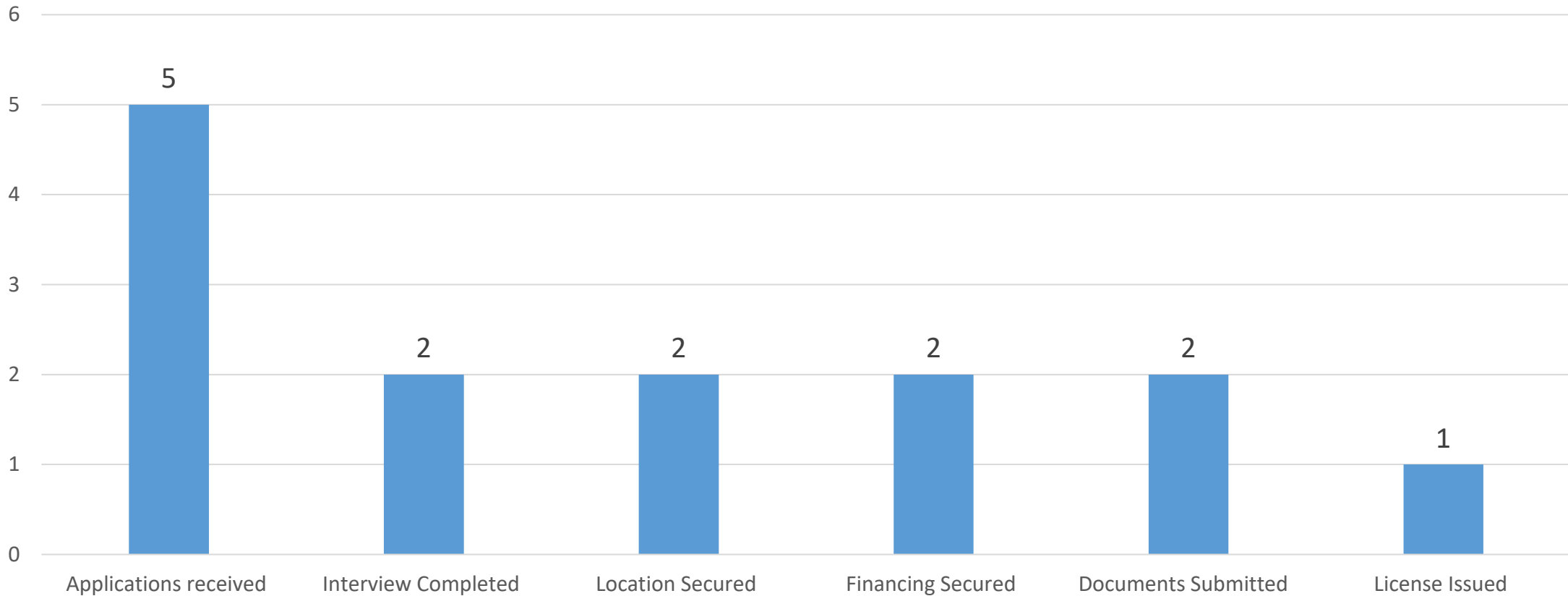


■ Licensed   ■ Secured Location   ■ Not Licensed

# Licensing Process – Social Equity Applications



# Licensing Process - Title Certificate Holders



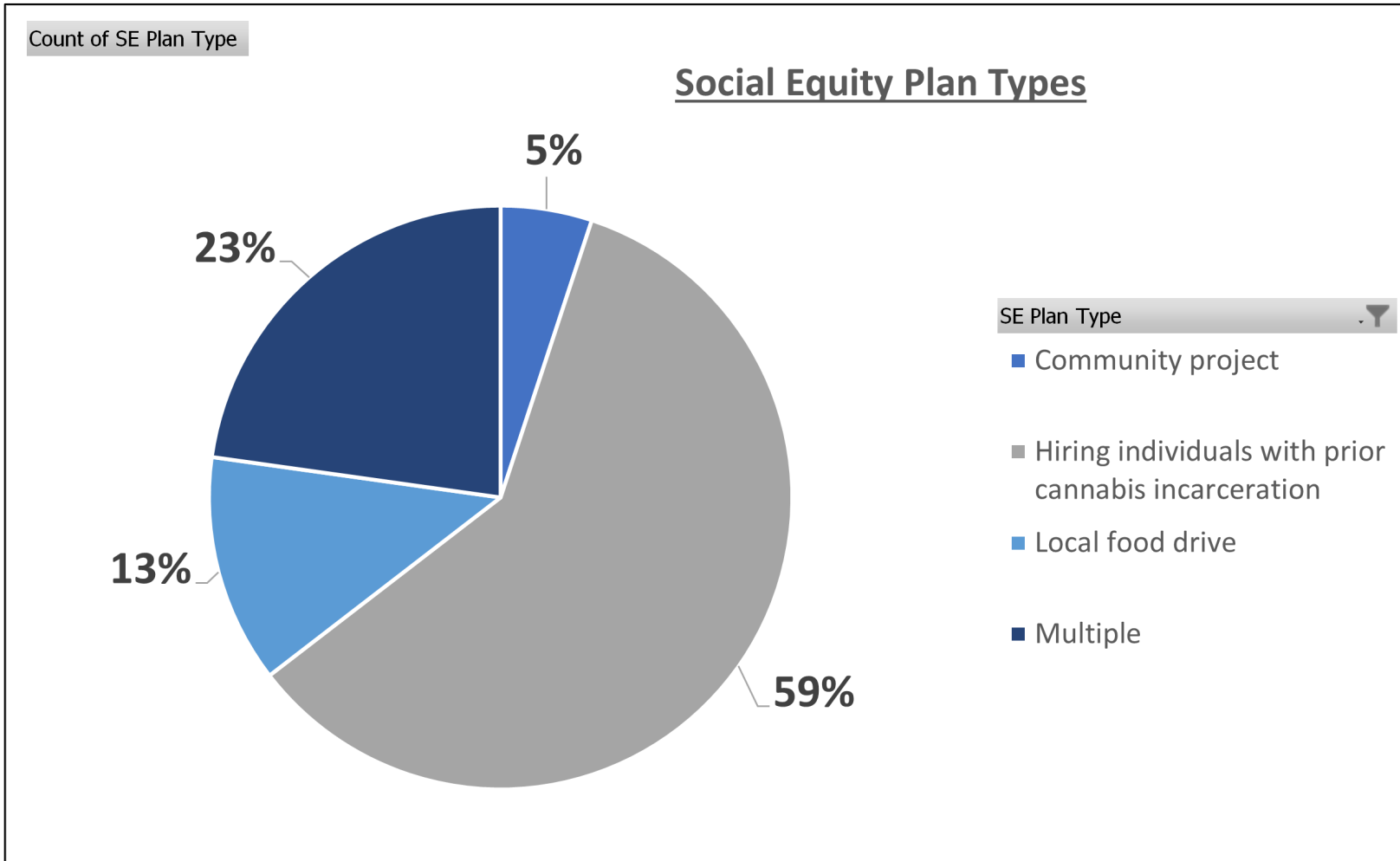


## Social Equity Plans

|   |    |
|---|----|
| <b>Total plans reimbursed</b>             | 76 |
| <b>Total plans returned to licensee</b>   | 34 |
| <b>Plans resubmitted with corrections</b> | 21 |



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## Launch Industries: Grant and Mentorship Update

- Grant Program applications are available April 1-30, 2024 for current Social Equity Applicants
- Mentorship Program applications are available April 1-30, 2024 for potential mentors or consultants
- If you have any questions, please refer to Launch Industries Resources
  - <https://launchmycannabiz.com/>
  - Email: [hello@launchmycannabiz.com](mailto:hello@launchmycannabiz.com)
  - Call or Text: (425) 224-6137



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## Social Equity Rubric Overview

| Category | Current Rubric HB 2870   | Point Total | Proposed Rubric for SB 5080  | Proposed Points   |
|----------|--|-------------|--|---|
| 1        | Lived in a disproportionately impacted area (DIA)  | 40          | <b><u>Lived</u></b> in a disproportionately impacted area (DIA)                                | 1-5 years: 15<br>6-10 years: 20<br>11+ years: 40                      |
| 1a       | How long have you lived in a DIA?<br><br>5y -10y = 20 points<br>10 + years = 40 points   | 40          |  |   |
| 2        | Convicted of a drug offense? (Self)  | 10          | Applicant convicted of a <b><u>drug offense</u></b>  | 60  |
| 2a       | Convicted of a cannabis offense? (Self)  | 40          |  |   |
| 3        | Convicted of a drug offense? (Family)  | 5           | Family member convicted of a <b><u>drug offense</u></b>  | 30  |
| 3a       | Convicted of a cannabis offense? (Family)  | 5           |  |   |
| 4        | If you were convicted of a cannabis offense, what type of sentence did you receive:<br><br>Fine - 10 points<br>Served probation - 20 points<br>Confined to home - 40 points<br>Served time in jail or prison - 80 points | 80          | If you were convicted of a <b><u>drug offense</u></b> , what type of sentence did you receive? | Fine: 10<br>Served Probation: 30<br>Served time in jail or prison: 80 |
| 5        | Did you or your family member's incarceration keep you from getting employment?  | 5           | <b>Delete</b>  | n/a   |
| 6        | Did you lose your home or ability to purchase a home or rent a home as a result of your convictions or arrests?  | 5           |  | n/a   |



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## Social Equity Rubric Overview, Cont.

| Category | Current Rubric  | Point Total                  | Proposed Rubric  | Proposed Points                |
|----------|---|------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 7        | Is your household income less than the median household income within the state of Washington as calculated by the United States Census Bureau?   | 40                           | No Changes to the language   | 15                             |
| 8        | Did you own or operate a medical cannabis dispensary or collective garden, licensed as a business, prior to July 1, 2016 (10 points)<br>or<br>Did you own and operate a medical cannabis dispensary or collective garden licensed as a business in a DIA (30 points)? | 10<br>or<br>30 in DIA        | <b><u>Did you own</u></b> a medical cannabis dispensary or collective garden, licensed as a business prior to July 1, 2016?<br>or<br><b><u>Did you own</u></b> a medical cannabis dispensary or collective garden licensed as a business in a DIA? | Owned: 10<br><br>Owned/DIA: 30 |
| 9        | Have you held or do you currently hold 51 percent majority or controlling interest of a state cannabis (marijuana) retailer license?<br><br>No = 10 points<br>Yes = 0 points  | If "No" 10<br><br>If "Yes" 0 | Have you held or do you hold 51 percent majority or controlling interest of a <b><u>state cannabis license</u></b> ?   | If No: 15<br>If Yes: 0         |
| 10       |   |                              | <b><u>Did you apply and qualify under 2870, but were not selected to move forward?</u></b>   | 15                             |



# Thank You! Questions?

## Resources

- Social Equity Website - <https://lcb.wa.gov/se/cannabis-social-equity>
- Blog - <https://medium.com/lcbsocialequity>
- Social Equity Email: [LicensingSocialEquity@lcb.wa.gov](mailto:LicensingSocialEquity@lcb.wa.gov)
- Social Equity Plan Email: [SocialEquityPlan@lcb.wa.gov](mailto:SocialEquityPlan@lcb.wa.gov)