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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 28, 2010
TO: Mary Dulacki, Records Coordinator, Denver Department of Safety
FROM: Chief Tracie Keesee, Division Chief of Research, Training and Technology Services
SUBJECT: Crime Comparison around Dispensaries, December 2008 and 2009

As requested, the attached report summarizes the reported offenses within 1,000 feet of medical marijuana dispensaries in Denver comparing December 2008 and December 2009.

The City & County of Denver Treasury provided a list of medical marijuana dispensaries with an effective / commences date. For this report, reported offenses are located within a 1,000 foot buffer around dispensaries that have an effective / commence date before 12/01/2009.

For comparison, a table of reported crimes in the City & County of Denver for December 2008 and December 2009 is included.

Comparing December 2009 to December 2008, reported offenses decreased by 3.7% in a 1,000 foot area around medical marijuana dispensaries that had an open / commence date prior to December 1, 2009. Reported offenses in the City & County of Denver decreased by 1.0% during the same period.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Cc: Gerald R. Whitman, Chief of Police
David A. Fisher, Division Chief of Investigations

**REPORTED OFFENSES
WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES
THAT OPENED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1, 2009*
COMPARING DECEMBER 2009 TO DECEMBER 2008**

TYPE OF OFFENSE		Dec-08		Dec-09		CHANGE	
		#	%	#	%	#	%
PART 1 PERSONS	Murder	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	-1	-100.0%
	Sexual Assault	4	0.6%	4	0.7%	0	0.0%
	Robbery	29	4.7%	29	4.9%	0	0.0%
	Aggravated Assault	23	3.7%	22	3.7%	-1	-4.3%
SUBTOTAL		57	9.2%	55	9.2%	-2	-3.5%
PART 1 PROPERTY	Burglary	59	9.5%	58	9.7%	-1	-1.7%
	Larceny (Except Theft from MV)	100	16.2%	97	16.3%	-3	-3.0%
	Theft from Motor Vehicle	106	17.2%	115	19.3%	9	8.5%
	Auto Theft	54	8.7%	61	10.3%	7	13.0%
	Arson	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	-2	-100.0%
SUBTOTAL		321	51.9%	331	55.6%	10	3.1%
PART 1 TOTAL		378	61.2%	386	64.9%	8	2.1%
OTHER CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	Other Assaults	25	4.0%	21	3.5%	-4	-16.0%
	Other Sex Offenses	6	1.0%	11	1.8%	5	83.3%
	Offenses Against Family/Children	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	-3	-100.0%
SUBTOTAL		34	5.5%	32	5.4%	-2	-5.9%
PUBLIC DISORDER CRIMES	Criminal Mischief	68	11.0%	87	14.6%	19	27.9%
	Prostitution/Commercialized Vice	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	NA
	Disorderly Conduct	14	2.3%	9	1.5%	-5	-35.7%
	Curfew and Loitering	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	NA
SUBTOTAL		82	13.3%	96	16.1%	14	17.1%
DRUG/ALCOHOL OFFENSES	Drug Abuse Violations	36	5.8%	31	5.2%	-5	-13.9%
	Liquor Law Violations	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	NA
SUBTOTAL		36	5.8%	31	5.2%	-5	-13.9%
WHITE COLLAR CRIMES	Forgery/Counterfeiting	2	0.3%	8	1.3%	6	300.0%
	Fraud	29	4.7%	13	2.2%	-16	-55.2%
	Embezzlement	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	-1	-100.0%
SUBTOTAL		32	5.2%	21	3.5%	-11	-34.4%
ALL OTHER CRIMES	Stolen Property	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	-1	-100.0%
	Weapons	7	1.1%	1	0.2%	-6	-85.7%
	All Other Offenses	48	7.8%	28	4.7%	-20	-41.7%
SUBTOTAL		56	9.1%	29	4.9%	-27	-48.2%
PART 2 TOTAL		240	38.8%	209	35.1%	-31	-12.9%
GRAND TOTAL		618	100.0%	595	100.0%	-23	-3.7%

*Dispensaries Open/Commence Date before December 1, 2009 based on data provided by the Denver Treasury.

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Excludes traffic accidents, traffic moving violations and other traffic offenses.

**REPORTED OFFENSES
IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER
COMPARING DECEMBER 2009 TO DECEMBER 2008**

TYPE OF OFFENSE		Dec-08		Dec-09		CHANGE	
		#	%	#	%	#	%
PART 1 PERSONS	Murder	3	0.1%	4	0.1%	1	33.3%
	Sexual Assault	16	0.5%	31	1.1%	15	93.8%
	Robbery	92	3.1%	102	3.5%	10	10.9%
	Aggravated Assault	127	4.3%	119	4.1%	-8	-6.3%
SUBTOTAL		238	8.1%	256	8.8%	18	7.6%
PART 1 PROPERTY	Burglary	437	14.8%	333	11.4%	-104	-23.8%
	Larceny (Except Theft from MV)	357	12.1%	357	12.2%	0	0.0%
	Theft from Motor Vehicle	517	17.5%	640	21.9%	123	23.8%
	Auto Theft	359	12.2%	307	10.5%	-52	-14.5%
	Arson	8	0.3%	6	0.2%	-2	-25.0%
SUBTOTAL		1,678	56.8%	1,643	56.2%	-35	-2.1%
PART 1 TOTAL		1,916	64.9%	1,899	64.9%	-17	-0.9%
OTHER CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	Other Assaults	124	4.2%	145	5.0%	21	16.9%
	Other Sex Offenses	32	1.1%	38	1.3%	6	18.8%
	Offenses Against Family/Children	18	0.6%	16	0.5%	-2	-11.1%
SUBTOTAL		174	5.9%	199	6.8%	25	14.4%
PUBLIC DISORDER CRIMES	Criminal Mischief	420	14.2%	452	15.5%	32	7.6%
	Prostitution/Commercialized Vice	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	NA
	Disorderly Conduct	52	1.8%	56	1.9%	4	7.7%
	Curfew and Loitering	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	NA
SUBTOTAL		472	16.0%	508	17.4%	36	7.6%
DRUG/ALCOHOL OFFENSES	Drug Abuse Violations	128	4.3%	110	3.8%	-18	-14.1%
	Liquor Law Violations	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	NA
SUBTOTAL		128	4.3%	110	3.8%	-18	-14.1%
WHITE COLLAR CRIMES	Forgery/Counterfeiting	14	0.5%	13	0.4%	-1	-7.1%
	Fraud	131	4.4%	99	3.4%	-32	-24.4%
	Embezzlement	6	0.2%	1	0.0%	-5	-83.3%
SUBTOTAL		151	5.1%	113	3.9%	-38	-25.2%
ALL OTHER CRIMES	Stolen Property	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
	Weapons	28	0.9%	20	0.7%	-8	-28.6%
	All Other Offenses	84	2.8%	75	2.6%	-9	-10.7%
SUBTOTAL		113	3.8%	96	3.3%	-17	-15.0%
PART 2 TOTAL		1,038	35.1%	1,026	35.1%	-12	-1.2%
GRAND TOTAL		2,954	100.0%	2,925	100.0%	-29	-1.0%

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