

## San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Abatement Warrant at Illegal Marijuana Dispensary in Spring Valley

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## **SYNOPSIS:**

On 05/24/18, at 07:00 AM., the Rancho San Diego Crime Suppression Team (CST) and RSD Station Detectives assisted County Code Compliance with serving an abatement warrant at OG Holistic marijuana dispensary, located at 8781Troy Street in Spring Valley. The abatement warrant was the direct result of OG Holistic owners violating San Diego County Zone ordinance 6976.

On 05/02/18, the OG Holistic dispensary was found abandoned and in compliance with the original 10-day abatement notice served by the County. On 05/03/18, OG Holistic owners reopened the illegal marijuana dispensary and resumed illegal marijuana sales, which led to second abatement warrant operation.

During today's operation, deputies located a large amount of marijuana, marijuana edibles, \$2500 in cash, marijuana paraphernalia, as well as items used in the sales of marijuana. Two people were initially detained for sales of marijuana. One employee was arrested for an outstanding warrant. County Code Compliance secured the illegal dispensary by boarding up all doors and surrounding the location with a temporary fence. Any person found inside the property after today's operation will be arrested.

As a public reminder, County departments are addressing illegal marijuana dispensaries in Spring Valley and other unincorporated areas of San Diego County by enforcing building code requirements involving illegal or improper occupancy in conjunction with the administrative abatement process. The County has begun serving illegal dispensaries with 10-day notices and ordering property owners to remove the illegal use.

If the violation is not removed and enforcement action is taken, the County will continue abatement proceedings and secure the property to ensure the building remains safe. Any person found inside the property after the County secures the building will be arrested.

The County anticipates continued compliance as we enforce the securing of structures without a permitted use.

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