GRASS Guiding Principles

- 1. Green Recovery and Sobriety Support (GRASS) is a mutual aid organization with one purpose: To support people who include cannabis in recovery from harmful substances and behaviors.
- 2. The only requirement for GRASS membership is a desire to recover from substance use disorders and other harmful behaviors while including cannabis.
- 3. The well-being of GRASS as a whole is of the utmost importance; our individual recovery depends on GRASS unity and stability. We put principles before personalities.
- 4. For personal and group safety, GRASS believes strongly in anonymity. It is crucial to keep the confidentiality of other members. Who you see and what you hear should not be repeated anywhere.
- 5. GRASS is not affiliated with any specific recovery program—we support all paths to recovery and healing.
- 6. GRASS is not associated with any religion or spiritual practice.
- 7. GRASS is not a business. The GRASS name should never be used for commercial purposes.
- 8. Service roles in GRASS are held by volunteers. Individual GRASS service members should remain anonymous at the public level.
- 9. Decisions in GRASS are made through group conscience. GRASS does not have a hierarchy—all members are given an equal say.
- 10. Each GRASS group is autonomous. Individual groups are responsible for following the GRASS Guiding Principles but can make additional rules through group conscience meetings.
- 11. GRASS is supported through voluntary donations from members. There are no dues or fees for membership. We do not accept outside contributions.
- 12. GRASS has no opinion on outside issues. We have no political or religious affiliation. We are not medical professionals and do not give medical advice.
- 13. GRASS should remain independent from any outside entity. The GRASS name should never be used in a way that causes public controversy.
- 14. Our public relations policy is based on attraction through neutral promotion.