Topic/Prompt: Should recreational marijuana be legal?

hook: What's more important letting our problem continue, or making laws that help everyone?

Background Information: The legalization of marijuana has been the topic of discussion for a few years. Today many states have been considering proponents to be more effective

Position Statement:

Undoubtedly, proponents have a better argument than the opponents because they assert that marijuana has a positive impact on the economy, crimes, and people who use it.

Main Idea I:	Main Idea 2:
Firstly, proponents argue that legalizing marijuana would help boost the economy.	Secondly, proponents argue that legalizing marijuana would also reduce crime.
Supportive Sentence for Main Idea I: (Textual Evidence) For example, they claim that "the marijuana industry could exceed 24 billion in revenue by 2025". (ProCon.org, pro 1)	Supportive Sentence for Main Idea 2: (Textual Evidence) For example, they provide research that shows "medical marijuana dispensaries decrease crime in neighborhoods because of an increase in security presence and more people walking around the area" (ProCon.org, pro 7)
Supportive Sentence for M.I. #1 (Explanation of Textual Evidence) This implies that the marijuana industry would produce more jobs by creating small businesses. It will also generate more revenue for other businesses, like the medical industry.	Supportive Sentence for M.I. # 2 (Explanation of Textual Evidence) This suggests that legalizing marijuana would reduce violent crimes because there would be more cameras and security in neighborhoods, thereby making people feel safer and deterring crime.
Counterargument (The other side's opinion with evidence)	Rebuttal (Evidence to disprove the other side)

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Conclusion:		