

City of Santa Cruz - Three Past Examples of Exercising Semi-Autonomy

Topic	Original Law / Enforcement		SC City Council Approval	Approval Year	Current Law / Enforcement	
Undocumented Workers	Federal	State	Grants sanctuary city status (local law enforcement is to no longer cooperate with INS agents to round up the undocumented for deportation)	1987	Federal	State
	Individuals can be deported if illegally residing in the USA				Unchanged from original	Becomes a sanctuary state in 2017
	Enforced by INS in conjunction with state and local law enforcement				Original, but only with participating law enforcement agencies	Law not enforced
Medicinal Cannabis	Federal	State	Per tacit council approval, Santa Cruz Sheriff ceases making arrests of medicinal cannabis users	1993 / 94	Federal	State
	Schedule 1 Narcotic (punishable / enforced by ATF)	Schedule 1 Narcotic (punishable / enforced by PD's)			Unchanged from original	Legal for both medicinal and recreational use
Natural Psychedelics (e.g. psilocybin)	Schedule 1 Narcotic (punishable / enforced by ATF)	Schedule 1 Narcotic (punishable / enforced by PD's)	Approves of the decriminalization of natural psychedelic drugs	2020	Unchanged from original	Unchanged from original