# 2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT









## **2016-2017 Report Card**



26

Countries



348

Campuses



4864

Student activists



192

Policy change initiatives



37,937

Voters called through our online phonebank



3262

Actions recorded in the Chapter Activity Tracker



3914

One-on-one coaching sessions with students



39%

Leaders who identify as women or genderqueer



70

Students engaged in peer education training curriculum

#### Dear Supporter,

Last year, drug policy reformers celebrated sweeping reforms across the globe: 9 US states made cannabis legal for adult or medical use while several other nations enacted such reforms, support for harm reduction skyrocketed, and the global demand for reform reached a fever pitch. While there was much to celebrate, there is so much work still to be done.

The global War on Drugs has impeded the advancement of justice, liberty, and health around the world for decades. Waged in the name of protecting young people, this war has instead interrupted too many of their lives through imprisonment, overdose, inadequate treatment, restricting their education, and exposure to the violence inherent in an organized underground market. Worse yet, these costs have been paid inordinately by people and communities of color.

While affluent students are taking adulterated drugs of unknown safety and origin, their impoverished peers are losing access to education and being targeted by police. Young people who are arrested for drug-related charges will be evicted from campus housing, ineligible to receive grants, expelled from school, or thrown into the criminal justice system where their futures will be wasted as surely as the tax dollars used to house them are. Even the shockingly large number of opioid overdose deaths last year -- 91 every day -- is inadequate to describe the scope of the crisis impacting young people and their parents while the number of those lost each year continues to grow.

Every day that the War on Drugs persists is one day too many. But thanks to your investment in a more sensible future, we're equipping young people with the skills, information, and resources they need to infuse justice, safety, and education into their communities' responses to drugs and the people who use them.

With groundbreaking empowerment tools, a network of advocates across the US and the globe, and no sense of the impossible, we're taking on the toughest problems with revolutionary approaches. We're demanding an end to racially-based arrest disparities. We're working toward sweeping access to harm reduction services everywhere in the US and abroad. We're envisioning a future in which no young person will have their life derailed because of a drug conviction ever again.

With your continued support, we can make that a reality.

Stay sensible, Eric Gudz '14, Chair of the Board of Directors Betty Aldworth, Executive Director

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#### **#SSDP2017**

SSDP2017 brought 350 students, alumni and supporters to Portland, Oregon for our first conference in the Pacific Northwest. We chose this area for its history of pioneering harm reduction approaches to drug policy. From the first legal syringe exchange to regulated cannabis to LEAD programs, the Pacific Northwest has long embraced sensible drug policy. Discussions about harm reduction policy and practices and the lived experiences of people who use drugs were front and center at this memorable, intimate conference.

In total, students attended 37 galvanizing sessions and plenaries designed, planned, selected, and led by students and alumni. In addition to our classic skills training sessions on organizing, education and policy change, SSDP2017 focused strongly on navigating the turbulent politics of our time with workshops on messaging, bridging political divides, intersectionality, and direct actions.



Students traveled to Portland from 13 countries on 6 continents, and many international students spoke on panels about issues relevant to their regions of the world. Sanho Tree of the Institute for Policy Studies closed the conference with a moving keynote sponsored by DARE about the human cost of the War on Drugs in the Philippines and how SSDPers can take action. Students and experts sharing their experiences and perspectives about drug policy formed deep bonds between attendees and made this conference our best yet.

#### Save the date for SSDP2018: March 2-5 in Baltimore, Maryland!







# Regional Conferences

Regional conferences gather students and supporters for small, intimate educational and skills-building weekends during the fall semester of each school year. This year, more than 400 students, alumni and supporters convened 10 regional conferences:

**FLORIDA** Oct. 23, 2016 Florida Gulf Coast University Fort Myers, FL

**LATIN AMERICA** Nov. 3-5, 2016 EPSD Mexico Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico

**MID-ATLANTIC** Nov. 5-6, 2016 Washington, DC

**MIDWEST** Oct. 21-23, 2016 DePaul University Chicago, IL

**MOUNTAIN** Oct. 7-9, 2016 University of Colorado Denver Denver, CO

**NORTHEAST** Oct. 1, 2016 Northeastern University Boston, MA

**PACIFIC** Oct. 15, 2016 University of California Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA

**SOUTHEAST** Nov. 4-6, 2016 University of Georgia Athens. GA

**TEXAS** Nov. 11-13, 2016 University of Texas at Austin Austin, TX

**IRELAND** Mar. 11, 2017 Dublin City University Dublin, Ireland



#### Deep Web Screenings

In November 2016, SSDP joined with Young Americans for Liberty and Students for Liberty to host screenings of Deep Web, the documentary about Ross Ulbricht, along with a Q&A with Ross's mother, Lyn Ulbricht. Ross Ulbricht is a former darknet operator, best known for being convicted of creating and running the SIIk Road website. The screening was viewed across 18 SSDP chapters, and the Q&A was hosted by SSDP Alumnus Stephen Duke '09.



Midwest Regional SSDP Conference at DePaul University in Chicago.

### 9/20 Day of Action

On September 20th, SSDP chapters across our network participated in the 920 Psilocybin Coordinated Day of Action, organized by the 920 Coalition to expand knowledge of therapeutic applications of psilocybin. This day of action included panel sessions, on-campus tabling, small discussion groups, and extensive social media engagement to amplify the conversation beyond campus. Sixteen SSDP chapters participated in actions over the weekend of 9/20 and throughout the week, reaching many thousands of students.



Participants of the International Youth Drug Strategies Convening

#### International Youth Drug Strategies Convening

Bangkok, Thailand

In January 2017, 26 youth leaders from 21 different countries met in Bangkok, Thailand for a convening organized by SSDP and our global allies, bringing together some of the sharpest young minds in drug policy and human rights advocacy for a week of networking, skills-building, and capacitybuilding workshops. The broad array of cultures and experiences present at the convening fostered an environment where participants could learn from each other. The convening also served as a platform for debate and discussion around what young people can do to amplify our voices on drug policy issues at the international level, and how we can all work together as one unified global youth coalition to achieve our goals.

### SSDP Ghana Open Forum on Drug Policy

Accra, Ghana

On August 20, 2017 SSDP's chapter in Ghana hosted their first large event: an open forum on drug policy and harm reduction for students and other young people in Ghana. Organized by Ghanaian chapters which had formed just six months prior and hosted in Accra at the University of Professional Studies, the forum brought together 85 students and 20 supporters. Some of the noteworthy speakers included the Colombian Ambassador to Ghana and several formerly incarcerated people, including one who had been sentenced to 20 years for drug trafficking. Major news outlets covered the event, which made the front page of Accra's largest newspaper the following day.



SSDP Ghana chapter members with forum speakers, including Colombian Ambassador (center)

#### **Events**

### Support. Don't Punish.

For the fourth year, SSDP joined our allies everywhere to participate in the annual Support. Don't Punish. global day of action on June 26th. Developed as a compassionate response to the prohibitionist International Day Against Drug Abuse, the day of action mobilizes community members in more than 100 cities who participate in grassroots direct action, calling for those reforms most needed in their communities. A photo campaign and coordinated social media amplify the reach of the harm reduction message. SSDP members organized or participated in direct actions in seven countries and drew their peers to the conversation through social media.



Registering voters at the Boston Freedom Rally

# Voter Registration at the Boston Freedom Rally

During the 2016 Boston Freedom Rally, SSDP led the voter registration campaign just two months in advance of election day, when Massachussets voters would decide on Question 4, The Massachusetts Marijuana Legalization Initiative. Students, alumni, staff, and other community supporters joined together to register about 600 people to vote throughout the weekend, and educated hundreds of others about the ballot initiative. Additionally, UMass Boston SSDP chapter leader Joe Gilmore '16 spoke to the crowd, as did Massachusetts Campus Coordinator Austin Davis.



### Ayotzinapa Two Year Anniversary

September 26, 2016 marked two years since 43 students from the Escuela Rural Normal Raúl Isidro Burgos, or Ayotzinapa, were kidnapped and murdered in Iguala, Guerrero while on their way to a political rally. The students were attacked and arrested by local police: those unable to escape were executed by members of a drug cartel. The evidence is damning, but the official response has been stymied by corruption and interference. In solidarity with the victims' families, SSDP chapters in the US and Mexico organized vigils and direct actions to call attention to this injustice.



"I graduated from high school in 2014 with a backpack full of anger towards the War on Drugs, manifested by drug dog searches and friends facing legal troubles while contending with problematic relationships with drugs. Finding SSDP gave me everything. It gave me a community of intellect, inclusivity, and innovation. I found people tangibly reaching for heights I had only dreamt of. I felt at home on a vessel we all have a chance to steer. We are all treading on new territory together. SSDP provides us the structure and inspiration to tackle the War on Drugs in the best way we are suited. We are business owners, chemists, policy people, and patients alike."

Amy Hildebrand '16
 DePaul University



"SSDP empowers and activates youth around the globe to envision, build, and co-create a safer and more sensible world. What an honor to be a part of such an inspired and supportive community! Rarely have I seen an organization as committed, as inclusive, and as lovingly determined. I love SSDP for the space that they have created for me and people like me and am deeply grateful they helped me find my way to work on the cutting edge of psychedelic policy."

#### - Ismail Ali '13

University of California Berkeley School of Law Policy and Advocacy Counsel, Multidiscipinary Association for Psychedelic Studies

## **Changing drug policies**

SSDP chapters in **Ireland**helped legalize medical
cannabis by initiating hundreds
of calls, emails, and letters
to members of Parliament
following years of advocacy
and testimony.

SUNY New Paltz SSDP participated in a coalition that was successful in getting New York to "ban the box" on incoming college applications, meaning that applicants will no longer be discriminated against by being asked about their prior criminal history.

Jindal Global Law School (India) SSDP gained student council endorsement for and University enactment of the first 911 Good Samaritan policy developed by an SSDP chapter outside the US.

Dickinson College SSDP organized a petition to repeal a new campus policy that requires mandatory year-round drug testing for student athletes.

Dan Kirby of **Dublin City University** SSDP was invited to the Department of Health to provide input on the new Irish drug strategy.

University of North
Georgia SSDP developed a
program to supply naloxone
to all Georgia public university
campuses. This chapter
advocated for a statewide
medical amnesty policy and
multiple municipal cannabis
policy reforms.

SSDP Ghana met with the American Ambassador to Ghana regarding the importance of including youth voices in drug policy discussions.

University of Alabama SSDP successfully advocated for adoption of a 911 Good Samaritan policy.

Virginia Tech SSDP improved their Good Samaritan policy by extending protections to bystanders and minors.

Guilford College SSDP expanded their Good Samaritan policy to include all drugs and not just alcohol.

University of North Dakota SSDP met with staffers from Senator Heitkamp's office to talk about protections for young confidential informants.

New Mexican SSDPers organized a lobby day to advocate for statewide cannabis legalization.

University of Massachusetts Boston SSDP worked with campus administration to pass a full Good Samaritan policy.

Vassar College SSDP organized a successful campaign against newly enacted punitive campus drug policies, compelling the administration to roll back the harshest sanctions.

College of Charleston
SSDP lobbied the Student
Government Association to
pass a resolution to equip
public safety officers with
naloxone.

University of Maryland SSDP began campaigning for resident assistant discretion to involve police in a situation where drugs are present.

University of Connecticut SSDP provided oral testimony in favor of cannabis legalization at a hearing in the Connecticut state legislature.

SSDP chapters in New York collaborated with allies for a lobby day in support of legalizing and regulating marijuana in New York.

University of Vienna SSDP marched alongside supporters of medical cannabis to hand over 10,000 signatures to Dr. Harald Dossi, the director of Austria's Parliament, in defense of legitimizing cannabis as medicine.

UMass Boston SSDP worked with allies to fight proposed rollbacks of the equity clauses in the marijuana legalization initiative. Activists allied with the Black and Latino Caucuses compelled the House to adopt a consolidated equity amendment to ensure communities most harmed by marijuana prohibition participate in the legal cannabis industry.

## **Changing the world**

**University of Nebraska** College of Law SSDP chapter leader Dexter Schrodt '14 was elected student body president, SUNY New Paltz chapter leader Rob Hofmann '16 was elected to student senate, SSDP Ghana leader Juana Boateng '15 was named a Young Diplomat of Ghana, Jeremy Sharp '13 was named to the Board of Directors of Georgia Overdose Prevention, and two Florida State **University** chapter leaders were selected as fellows with Young People For.

SUNY Albany SSDP won the President's Award for Leadership - The Justice Award, for their campus activism and Houston Community College SSDP was awarded "Most Active New Student Organization."

**SSDP Ghana** petitioned the government and the public to rise up against inhumane incarceration of people who use drugs.

Cork Institute of Technology (Ireland) SSDPers volunteered 168 hours of harm reduction direct service at music fests.

University of Nevada Las Vegas gathered 1900 signatures on their Change.org petition to release non-violent drug offenders from state jail facilities.

SSDP Australia engaged in a Just One Life campaign to equip people at music festivals with drug checking information.

Texas A&M Law School SSDP registered 15% of their student body to vote in one week.

New York University SSDP, Virginia Commonwealth University SSDP and Reed College SSDP hosted naloxone trainings on their campuses.

Florida International University and Wayne State University SSDP chapters implemented naloxone training and carry programs for campus police.

Virginia Tech SSDP designed and implemented a schoolfunded Good Samaritan campus education campaign.

Dublin City University launched Sesh Safe, a harm reduction program that teaches young people how to stay safe at music festivals and other large events.

Every SSDP chapter in **Denver** and **Boulder** was trained in naloxone administration and syringe access at the Harm Reduction Action Center.

Two members of University of Vienna SSDP attended the 3rd Intersessional CND meeting at the United Nations, ensuring that young people were represented and present during the discussions.

University of Rhode Island SSDP hosted their annual HempFest, an on-campus festival that raises awareness about marijuana legalization. University of California Berkeley SSDP designed and hosted a campus-recognized drug policy class.

University of Georgia and University of North Georgia SSDP chapters organized an activist training day and citizen lobby meetings in advance of implementation of Georgia's medical marijuana law.

Colorado School of Mines
SSDP included information
about drug checking and safety
in the school's official materials
for the annual spring weekend
celebration.

Yale University SSDP cohosted a marijuana legalization forum in New Haven with the Connecticut Coalition to Regulate Marijuana which was attended by two state Senators.

University of Melbourne's student union approved SSDP's distribution of harm reduction kits to students.

Florida International University SSDP hosted expungement clinics for low-level drug offenses.

Ben Bouvier '15, Nick Kent '16 and Dr. Vilmarie Fraguada Narloch '09 presented posters at the 2017 Harm Reduction International Conference in Montreal.

Texas State University SSDP adopted a stretch of highway.

## **Program Highlights**

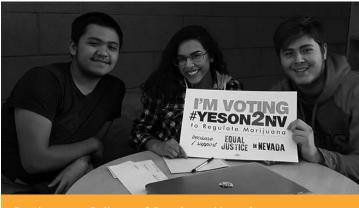


#### **Campus Campaign**

SSDP's Campus Campaign supported student and youth voter education and turnout efforts in California, Arizona, Nevada, Florida, Massachusetts, and Maine. By making targeted investments in recruitment and chapter support, we doubled the number of campuses and members in those states and quintupled student supporters of cannabis policy reform! Those 58 chapters activated to:

- Register 3170 new voters
- Educate 70,051 voters, including 3092 resultdetermining Maine voters
- Host 444 tabling days and 193 events onand off-campus

In the spring 2017 semester, those chapters have made Florida and California some of our most active states, having introduced 41 campus policy change efforts and initiated 34 campus education efforts.



Students at College of Southern Nevada

# Campus Policy Gradebook

Punitive enforcement of laws and campus regulations deny students access to education and needlessly expose them to the dangers of the carceral system, law enforcement practices such as the use of confidential informants, and overdose. Colleges and universities are obligated to protect the lives of students and must acknowledge the plain fact that students will use -- and sometimes misuse -- alcohol and other drugs despite decades of efforts to eliminate such behaviors. Sensible drug policies ensure the millions of students who will inevitably choose to use alcohol or other drugs have a better chance of safely making it to graduation.

With that framework in mind, we undertook a complete revisioning of our Campus Policy Gradebook. The Gradebook is a resource for students, administrators, and other members of campus communities who seek to ground their approach to drug use and misuse in health, safety, and education. Within a newly objective grading matrix, a more thorough set of policies are evaluated including Good Samaritan 911 policies, sanctions for use or possession of alcohol and other drugs, drug education and information, parental notification and privacy, access to naloxone, availability of safe ride services, and the ability of student government to influence the policies. How safe is your campus? Visit ssdp. org/gradebook to find out.

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#### A Fresh Look & Fresh Tools Online

In early 2017, we unveiled a substantial redesign of our website with an updated look and feel. The new site better highlights student members of our network, our rapidly expanding international network, and the opportunities for activists and supporters to get involved. Most importantly, the new site offers students more opportunities than ever to directly shape our work. Our new campaign resource folders invite students to contribute to policy change toolkits, upload and share the resources they create for campus campaigns, and highlight the work they find most important for their own reform. Our blog more frequently highlights student writing, and other tools in development will offer chapters and members ways to tell their own stories. As we constantly strive to empower students more directly in the work of crafting and organizing change campaigns, the new website encourages young people to create, share, and improve the resources they'll need to change drug policies today and shape a more sensible future.



Check out our new look at ssdp.org

#### Just Say Know: Peer-to-Peer Drug Education

Driven by student priorities, developed with significant student input, and directly supervised by our new Drug Education Manager Vilmarie Fraguada Narloch, PsyD '09, Just Say Know is a groundbreaking peer-topeer drug education program designed to give students the information and skills training they need to make empowered choices. The full program includes 12 foundational training modules for peer educators and more than 20 modules on the drugs most widely used by college students including alcohol, cannabis, MDMA, and Adderall. We've added modules addressing broader topics of interest, including a **Diversity Awareness Reflection** and Education lesson, a Nightlife Harm Reduction lesson, and a Psychedelics History and Research lesson. Though 70 students have engaged in the rigorous training program, the modules are designed to be accessible to anyone interested in making their community safer. Dr. Narloch, who specializes in youth drug education and was instrumental in the early development of Just Say Know as a student member of SSDP, has presented the program at several professional conferences, expanding the reach of the program outside of our network.

### Chapter Activity Tracker

The Chapter Activity Tracker (CAT) continues to revolutionize student engagement in SSDP's mission and reveal patterns about what problems students are most interested in solving in their communities. Built by SSDP staff and piloted in 2015, the CAT gives chapters an interactive platform to engage their members and removes financial barriers to organizing, while guiding students through the three main SSDP activity pathways of chapter building, policy change, and education. Chapters earn points for their work, "feed their CAT" by logging the points into their chapter's page, and are rewarded with benefits such as conference registrations, t-shirts, and SSDP swag to give out to members and on campus. The chapter that earns the most points during the program year is presented with the Shark Award at our annual conference. In 2017, Cork Institute of Technology from Ireland was the first Shark Award winner from outside the United States. The CAT's influence is spreading beyond SSDP, and even beyond drug policy: it is being used by our friends at Dancesafe, and was presented by SSDP staff and students at Netroots Nation in August 2017 as a groundbreaking tool to gamify activism.



"So many times when I was younger, I was told I would be ready to promote real change once I had more experience and was older. At its heart, SSDP is about having an impact on the world and not accepting the status quo. I found that I could create change by taking my own initiative and not letting conventional wisdom stand in my way. I would have never started my own social good business or dared to challenge established enterprises if not for this experience."

- Kris Lotlikar '98

Rochester Institute of Technology
Co-founder, Renewable Choice Energy



"Being a chapter leader taught me to seek to understand societal tensions and issues of intersectionality in surrounding communities that I never considered before, lessons that allow me to be a better listener and a more effective advocate. At the beginning of my career working to fight the laws and stigmas of the drug war, I know it would not have been possible without SSDP."

- KC Klens '14

Eckerd College

Recruitment Consultant, THC Staffing Group

## Leadership





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**Drake University** 

**Duke University** 

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SSDP Tanzania

University of Missouri

University of Missouri Kansas City



"Before joining SSDP I did not know what the War on Drugs was and I had no clue what harm reduction meant. Three years later, I have changed my major in college and set out to work in drug policy reform. SSDP has given me an advocacy platform -- I can be the voice for those who are unheard. As a lifelong SSDPer, I know I can make a difference and lead by example."

- Maya Tatum '14 Arizona State University



"SSDP gave me the foundation to develop my leadership skills. I have learned how to organize, lobby, and directly participate with political and social institutions that rarely engage young people in meaningful dialogue. Few organizations give students input in crafting organizational missions and strategy, but SSDP has seen great success investing in its youth leaders."

- Robert Hofmann '16

SUNY New Paltz
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## **Financial Statements**

#### **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Students for Sensible Drug Policy Foundation, a 501(c)(3) Organization & Students for Sensible Drug Policy Inc, a 501(c)(4) Organization

JANUARY 1, 2016 - DECEMBER 31, 2016

#### **ASSETS**

,792
2,100
3,331
3,710
5,898

#### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

#### Liabilities

Accounts payable  Total liabilities	\$31,863 <b>\$31,863</b>
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	\$84,638
Temporarily restricted	\$142,291
Total net assets	\$226,929
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$258 792

#### **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

Students for Sensible Drug Policy Foundation, a 501(c)(3) Organization & Students for Sensible Drug Policy Inc, a 501(c)(4) Organization

JANUARY 1, 2016 - DECEMBER 31, 2016

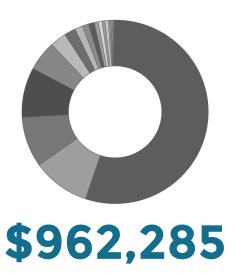
#### **REVENUE & SUPPORT**

Contributions and grants	\$722,596
In-kind contributions	\$74,952
Sponsorships	\$10,759
Conferences	\$35,563
Sales	\$2,534
Other income	\$4,405
Interest income	\$8
Total revenue	
and support	\$850,817
Expenses	
Program services	\$784,952
Management and general	\$59,557
Fundraising	\$117,776
Total expenses	\$962,285
Change in Net Assets	(\$111,468)**
Net Assets, beginning of year	\$338,397
Net Assets, end of year	\$226,929

Financial statements represent activity in 2016; the remainder of the content in this report represents activity from July 2016 through June 2017. Complete audit reports and IRS Forms 990 are available at ssdp.org/reports.

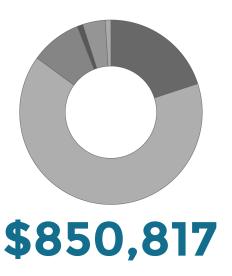
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#### **JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2016**



#### **EXPENSES**

55.2% Salaries & benefits 10% Events & conferences 8.9% Travel 8.8% Outside contract services 5.3% Rent 11.8% Other/miscellaneous



#### **INCOME**

65% Individual & corporate contributions 19.9% Foundation grants 8.8% In-kind contributions 4.2% Conferences 1.7% Sales, sponsorships, interest & other income

<sup>\*\*</sup> The negative change in net assets in 2016 represents a planned, temporary use of operating reserve funds due to unique opportunities to further reforms in US states and at the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on the World Drug Problem.

