

What Happens if I'm Charged with Growing Marijuana?

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According to [Diana Moskovitz](#) of the Miami Herald, almost 50 [marijuana grow houses](#) were shut down all across Miami-Dade County in mid-June. By initiative of the federal government's [High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas program](#), officers on a one-day sweep seized more than 2,300 marijuana plants, \$9,500 in cash, 126 Oxycodone pills, 11 grams of cocaine, seven firearms and one Audi, according to Miami-Dade police.

After shutting down 49 hydroponic labs and making 42 arrests, the street value of the confiscated marijuana amounted to \$9.4 million, police said. Another grow house was found and shut down in Vero Beach. This one housed 220 plants that had a street value of \$2.4 million, only one person was arrested.

Everyone arrested will be charged with marijuana-related offenses including cultivation of the plants, [drug possession](#), and [drug trafficking](#).

Marijuana Grow Houses in Florida

Marijuana grow houses are expanding all over Florida. People are using any space they can find to cultivate the drug, including garages, abandoned trailers, old houses and sheds.

A person charged with growing marijuana will face a mandatory minimum prison sentence of at least three years, hefty fines, and most likely a felony [criminal record](#). However, having a [criminal defense attorney](#) can help mitigate the charges.

In Florida, the consequences for growing marijuana are serious and will follow you for the rest of your life. You will lose the ability to rent an apartment, attend school, or get a job without being forced to expose your criminal record.

In order to avoid the embarrassment, shame, and consequences of being convicted of growing marijuana, have a [criminal defense lawyer](#) on your side to help you build a strong defense and maybe even lessen your charges.

It is important to have a knowledgeable criminal defense lawyer as a resource, as the consequences for growing marijuana in the state of Florida can have an impact that will affect the rest of your life.

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