



PROP 215: “Medical Marijuana” HOAX *It wasn’t about compassion.*

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The term “medical marijuana” was coined in 1979 by Keith Stroup, Founder of NORML as a “red herring” to give marijuana a good name, as a first step toward legalization for recreational use. *(You can witness Stroup in action by going to www.dammadd.org and look at the video.)*

California was the first state to fall victim to the hoax with Prop 215 in 1996, the Compassionate Use Act. 56% of the voters approved the use of “medical marijuana” for the chronically ill suffering from cancer, AIDS victims and for glaucoma. The propaganda campaign that duped California voters into believing they were helping the chronically ill, and other pro-pot initiatives, were primarily financed by out-of-state billionaires George Soros, Sperling and Lewis and their minions, as evidenced below.

Contributions To Pro-Drug Initiatives In California

The following information was taken from DAMMADD website entitledwww.sorosmonitor.com. The information was compiled from public records, and totals \$6.9 million dollars.

From Out of State Billionaire George Soros \$2,782,730

Open Society Institute

Methadone as Legitimate Treatment	\$ 50,000
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Policy Link (Pro-drug message)	\$ 400,000
Data Center (Strategic research for Criminal justice reform	<u>\$ 60,000</u>

\$ 532,875

Contributions From George Soros Personally

Prop 215 (1996)	\$ 500,000
Prop 36 (2000)	\$1,026,337
Fix 3 Strikes Yes on 66 (2004)	\$ 500,000
Democratic Congressional Campaign	<u>\$ 1,270</u>

\$2,027,607

Contributions From Billionaire John Sperling \$2,257,338

California for Medical Rights (1996)	\$ 200,000	Burton, Senate Fund (2000/2003)	\$ 15,000
Cam. – New Drug Policies, Prop 36 (2000)	\$1,457,338	Nava 2004, Friends of Pedro	\$ 1,000
Fix Three Strikes Yes on 66 (2004)	\$ 500,000	Davis Committee, Governor Gray	\$ 25,000
Standing Up For California (2004)	\$ 100,000		
Democratic State Central Committee (2004)	\$ 25,600		

Contributions From Out Of State Billionaire Peter Lewis \$1,531,337

Prop 215 (1996)	\$ 500,000
Prop 36 (2000)	\$1,026,337
Westly, Friends of Steve	\$ 5,000

Contributions From The Drug Policy Alliance (DPA) **\$ 79,800**
A Soros backed organization

Arianna for Governor	\$5,000	Chu For Assembly 2004	\$2,000
Goldberg Committee Reelect	\$3,200	Saldana for State Assembly	\$2,000
Steinberg For Senate	\$3,200	Chu Campaign Committee	\$2,000
Nunez 2004 Friends of Fabian	\$3,200	Maze for Assembly 2004	\$2,000
Arambula for Assembly	\$3,200	Torrico for Assembly, Alberto	\$2,000
Coto for Assembly	\$3,200	Jones for Assembly, Dave	\$2,000
Karnette , Friends of Betty	\$3,200	Klehs Committee, The	\$2,000
Umbert , Friends of Tom	\$3,200	Alarcon Friends of Richard	\$1,200
Berg For Assembly 2004	\$3,200	Perata 2004	\$1,200
McLeod 2004 Committee to		Kuehl For Senate	\$1,200
Reelect Gloria Negrete	\$3,200	Chesbro Friends of Wesley	\$1,200
Parra For Assembly	\$3,200	Romero for Senate 2006 Gloria	\$1,200
Ridley-Thomas 2004 re-elect	\$2,100	Firebaugh Leadership Committee	\$1,000
Baca Jr. For Assembly	\$1,000	Nation for Assembly 2004	\$1,000
Richman 2004 Friends	\$1,000	Maze for Assembly 2004	\$1,000
Leno, 2004	\$3,200	Bass for Assembly	\$3,200
Cohn for Assembly 2004	\$2,000	Mathews 2004, Friends of	
Dymally 2004 Friends of	\$3,200	Barbara	\$3,200

So Californians For Compassionate Use **\$ 26,500**
Soros Backed Organization (1996)

Californians For Medical Rights **\$ 195,748**
Soros, Lewis and Sperling Backed Organization

Contributions From Robert Soros **\$ 42,928**

Democratic Congressional Campaign (2000)	\$ 30,244
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So why would out-of-state billionaires spend millions to dupe California voters, other than to profit from the outcome in some manner? Soros activities suggests he is the spearhead for the illicit drug trade worldwide. As evidenced by the above records, he and his allies, John Sperling and Peter Lewis use their vast resources to influence pro-drug legislation by contributing to politicians and propaganda campaigns.

As evidence of the fraud, surveys have now shown that only 2% of the “chronically ill” for whom Prop 215 was passed are patrons at the dispensaries. The other 98% who get medical marijuana ID cards from pot doctors are primarily young, healthy males.

The dispensaries themselves are illegal even by State law, which forbids selling pot for a profit. Senate Bill 420, introduced by Senators Vasconellos and Leno followed Prop 215 and made pot available to anyone for any purported ailment which could benefit from marijuana. After being termed out Vasconcellos went on to become a board member for the Drug Policy Alliance (DPA), no doubt his payback for years of service to Soros. Senator Mark “Hemp” Leno still serves all pro-drug causes in the Senate.