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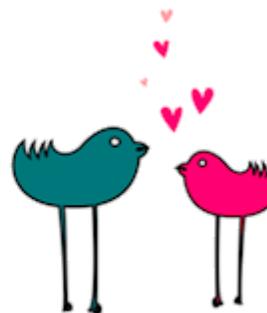
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Resources

This page features resources on drug policy advocacy and reform, psychedelic research, substance information, harm reduction and more. If you're looking to get involved, many of these organizations have volunteer opportunities. If you want to learn more about these issues, the books listed at the end are a great place to start.

Current Psychedelic Research

The Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS) is a non-profit research and educational organization that develops medical, legal, and cultural contexts for people to benefit from the careful uses of psychedelics and marijuana. MAPS is responsible for much of the highest profile ongoing psychedelic research.

Beckley Foundation is a UK-based think-tank and NGO founded and directed by Amanda Feilding. Its purpose is to pioneer psychedelic research and drive evidence-based drug policy reform.

Heffter Research Institute is conducting research on psilocybin for cancer distress and addiction in conjunction with Johns Hopkins University, NYU, and other universities around the world.

Drug Policy Reform

Drug Policy Alliance (DPA) is the leading organization in the United States promoting drug policies that are grounded in science, compassion, health and human rights.

Marijuana Policy Project is the largest organization in the U.S. that's focused solely on ending marijuana prohibition.

Harm Reduction Initiatives & Resources

The Zendo Project provides harm reduction services to festivals and the psychedelic community. It is sponsored by MAPS and run primarily by volunteers.

DanceSafe is a public health organization promoting health and safety within the nightlife and electronic music community. It has chapters in cities across North America working to advance harm reduction and peer-based, popular education.

Harm Reduction International is a leading non-governmental organisation working to reduce the negative health, social and human rights impacts of drug use and drug policy by promoting evidence-based public health policies and practices, and human rights based approaches to drugs.

Harm Reduction Coalition is a national advocacy and capacity-building organization that promotes the health and dignity of individuals and communities impacted by drug use. Their efforts advance harm reduction policies, practices and programs that address the adverse effects of drug use including overdose, HIV, hepatitis C, addiction, and incarceration.

Karmik is a west coast harm reduction initiative, focusing on harm reduction strategies & promoting health and safety in nightlife/festival communities. Karmik aims to improve the quality of life through creating supportive networks in our communities, so all individuals have access to honest education to make empowered choices.

You can buy drug testing kits online at **Test Kit Plus**.

Psychedelic Societies

Global Psychedelic Network is an online hub for members and organizers of psychedelic societies around the world

You can also search "[your city] psychedelic society" on Google and Facebook to see if there's a psychedelic society where you live.

Podcasts

Psychedelics Today is a podcast dedicated to exploring and discussing the important academic/scientific and other research in the field of psychedelics. They are interested in how psychedelics and other non-ordinary states of consciousness relate to the human potential as well as the healing potential that they can foster. The two hosts also offer an online course **Navigating Psychedelics: Lessons on Self Care & Integration**.

Online Communities

Drug-related subreddits:

<https://www.reddit.com/r/Drugs/>

<https://www.reddit.com/r/trees/>

<https://www.reddit.com/r/Psyonaut/>

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<https://www.reddit.com/r/Psychedelics/>

<https://www.reddit.com/r/MDMA/>

<https://www.reddit.com/r/shrooms/>

Substance information, trip reports and more

[Erowid.org](https://www.erowid.org) is a member-supported organization providing access to reliable, non-judgmental information about psychoactive plants, chemicals, and related issues. It's an unparalleled resource and contains the largest, most comprehensive collection of firsthand accounts of drug experience online.

[Psychonaut Wiki](https://www.psyonaut.com) is a community-driven online encyclopedia striving to formally document the field of psychonautics in a scientifically-grounded manner. It includes comprehensive information on various psychoactive substances, dosages, subjective effects and more.

Resources for Students

Students for Sensible Drug Policy is an international network of students dedicated to ending the war on drugs. SSDP is a grassroots organization, led by a student-run Board of Directors. They create change by bringing young people together and creating safe spaces for students of all political and ideological stripes to have honest conversations about drugs and drug policy.

Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy is a grassroots network comprised of youth and students who are concerned about the negative impact drug policies have on individuals and communities. They work on local, national and international levels to promote sensible drug policy, increase harm reduction awareness, and disseminate evidence-based educational resources.

Books

Animals and Psychedelics: The Natural World and the Instinct to Alter Consciousness

From caffeine-dependent goats to nectar addicted ants, the animal kingdom offers amazing examples of wild animals and insects seeking out and consuming the psychoactive substances in their environments. Author Giorgio Samorini explores this little-known phenomenon and suggests that, far from being confined to humans, the desire to experience altered states of consciousness is a natural drive shared by all living beings and that animals engage in these behaviors deliberately.

Intoxication: The Universal Drive for Mind-Altering Substances

In *Intoxication* Siegel draws upon his 20 years of groundbreaking research to provide countless examples of the intoxication urge in humans, animals, and even insects. The detailed observations of his so-called *psychonauts*--study participants trained to explicitly describe their drug experiences--as well as numerous studies with animals have helped him to identify the behavior patterns induced by different intoxicants. Presenting his conclusions on the biological as well as cultural reasons for the pursuit of intoxication and showing that personality and guidance often define the outcome of a drug experience,

Chasing the Scream: The First and Last Days of the War on Drugs

Chasing the Scream lays bare what we really have been chasing in our century of drug war--in our hunger for drugs, and in our attempt to destroy them. This book will challenge and change how you think about one of the most controversial--and consequential--questions of our time

Drugs Without the Hot Air: Minimizing the Harms of Legal and Illegal Drugs

From health to family to society, this informative exploration takes an evidence-based view of all the factors involved in drug use. Applying the same objective criteria to legal and illegal substances, an argument is made that legality is not a clear measure for harm. Tackling a variety of questions, such as *Which is more harmful—Ecstasy or alcohol? Can addiction be cured?* and *Does the "War on Drugs" have serious unintended effects that can hurt children?*, this analysis equips readers with the ability to make educated decisions regarding drugs both personally and in their communities.

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