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# **Our mission**



To use our proven low-cost cultivation and production methodologies, together with our in-depth and closely-monitored knowledge of consumer preferences, to provide the products & brands that consumers love.



# **Our belief**

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## At 4Front, we believe the way the market values cannabis companies has moved on from a focus on arbitrary land grabs to a focus on strategy execution and operations.



Companies that can prove they can execute at scale in highly competitive markets will thrive in this environment, and those that are held back by inefficiencies and poor management are rapidly losing market share.





We believe low cost production and distribution of cannabis consumer packaged goods is the best opportunity in the cannabis industry.



## **Business overview**

## **Operating one of the most efficient cannabis** companies in North America. Founded in 2011.

**76M / 23% US Addressable** Market

of the 15 most populous states. WA, II, MA, CA, MI

\$88.1M

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FY 2020 Systemwide Pro Forma Revenue

~200k

Current total square footage cultivation & production



**#1** 

**#2** 

7.6M Addressable Market

Edibles Manufacturer

#2 Producer of Flower

**Total Market Share** 



Winning in Washington



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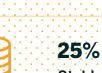
Yields

g/sq ft Annualized

**20+ / 1900\*** 

Brands / SKUs

\*In Washington state alone



Stable EBITDA margins

Washington SOP's successfully replicated in Massachusetts, Illinois, **California<sup>\*</sup> and Michigan** 



### **Yields increase**

MA, IL annualized yields of up to 404g/ sq ft



#### **Brands** WA brands launched in IL, MA, coming soon in CA\*



#### ~300k

Retail

**Additional square** footage pending or under construction



#### Supporting medical and recreational stores: IL, MA, MI

#### update





Washington – medical & adult use market
Cultivation & Production:
120k sq ft
Yields: 380kg/sq ft*
Market share:
#1 Edibles / #2 Flower / #2 Total Market
Brands:
20+ brands/ 1900 \$KUs



Illinois – medical & adult use market
Cultivation & Production:
40k sq ft
<b>Yields</b> : 360g/ sq ft*
Retail:
Mission South Chicago
Mission Calumet City
Brands:
Washington brands
introduced
Near term pipeline:

Additional 210k cultivation

Massachusetts – medical & adult use market *Cultivation & Production:* 70k sq ft *Yields*: up to 404g/ sq ft\* *Retail:* • Mission Georgetown • Mission Worcester *Brands:* Washington brands

introduced Near term pipeline:

• Mission Brookline – Q2







adult use market Largest legal cannabis market in the US *Manufacturing & Production:* 170k sq ft Fully funded construction on schedule for early Q2 completion *Brands:* 

Target Q2 rollout of lowcost, high quality brands utilizing WA SOPs

\* Annualized yields / sq ft

2021



# Our approach

## 4Front is a low-cost production leader

# We do this by a commitment to operational excellence:

### Leadership

Expert leadership and people who understand and have credibility in both business and cannabis.

#### **Products**

4Front produces over 2800 SKUs of branded product.

#### **Process**

Model tested, developed, and perfected in Washington, where we have #2 share -- one of the most competitive states and challenging markets in the world.

#### Assets

Vertically integrated asset strategy, market expansion and investment, from production to retail.

#### **Expansion**

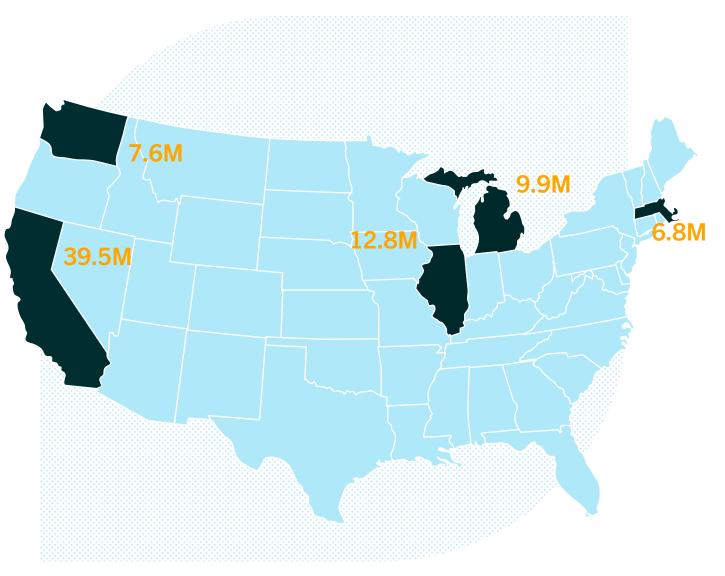
Developed and refined in Washington, 4Front's scaled, low-cost production capabilities are now being replicated in Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan and California.

## A leading producer for leading states

4Front is replicating our tried and true production capabilities, supported by our retail stores, in large and nascent recreational cannabis markets.

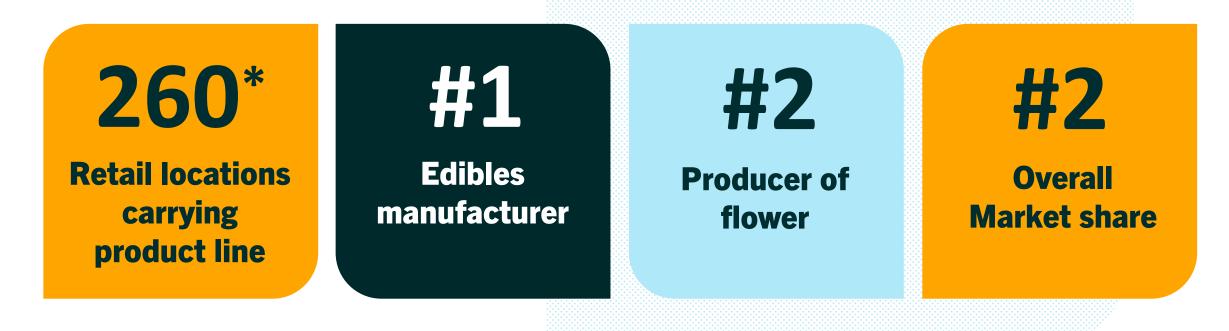
We serve an addressable market of 76M people in:

- Washington
- Illinois
- Massachusetts
- California
- Michigan





For the past six years, 4Front has created a dominant position in Washington State--one of the most competitive and low-priced markets in the country while maintaining very attractive margins and profitability.



\* monthly average

## Winning in Washington, a proving ground for operations

Legalized in 2012 -**Over 1400 cultivation** licenses issued. Plus over 450 Tier 3 licenses allowing for 30,000 sq ft.



2. Due to imbalance in market supply, wholesale cannabis prices plummet from \$1600/lb in 2016 to \$500/lb in 2018.

3. Company turns to improving throughput and reducing labor costs to maintain margins in addition to genetics and environmental optimization



4. Laser focus on **R&D**, production optimization and stable 25% EBITDA

#2 in Market Share. **Company becomes** one of the highest producers and most sought-after brands in the state. #1 in edibles, #2 in Flower



data driven business practices. Maintains margins

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## Winning in Washington

60,000 sq ft of canopy yielding over 380g/sq ft <sup>1</sup> 40,000 sq ft production facility	Average of 737,800 grams flower material used per month for extract	Average of 130,000 grams crude oil per month	Average clear (distillate) produced monthly – 70,000 grams
Average disposables (one time use vape pens) per month – 12,000	Total distillate cartridges (1g + 0.5g) produced monthly – 40,000	Edibles per week — approximately 200,000	Over 185 employees, 3 shifts per day, 24 hours a day

## Driving seed-to-sale efficiency at scale

We believe efficient, low-cost production will enable 4Front to own the largest market share in a state-by-state basis. Our proven systems and processes are replicated across our sites, resulting in industry leading yields and consistent high quality, low cost cannabis products.



#### **Facility Design**

We implement our advanced facility design to maximize footprint. We are now consistently producing up to 400 grams per square foot per year.



#### Growing Process

Our templated growing process combines plant genetics, nutrients, soil and setup.



Cultivation & Processing

We are one of the lowest-cost producers in cultivation and processing, skilled at taking flower and derivatives in their raw form and turning them into finished packaged goods.



Purchasing

We have consolidated the sourcing and purchasing of all of the pre-mix ingredients for derivative products which strengthens our planning and affords us price breaks.



Packaging

Our standard operating procedures reduce waste and increase efficiency in weight management and packaging, with lower labor requirements and higher volumes.

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Retail

Our model incorporates retail and hospitality best practices, and is designed to scale the customer experience, not just our footprint.



We increase yields by transferring knowledge from our industry leading proprietary processes for facility design, growing and cultivation developed in Washington, in each state of 4Front operation.



Up to 400g per sq ft --Outperforming industry average by over 80%

Our proprietary process in Washington producing yields up to 400g/sq ft. We believe routinely outperforming, and up to double, the industry average.



# High yields replicated successfully across all operations

By implementing the Washington process, Massachusetts annualized 404g/ sq ft from launch, plus 12 months of no fail harvests. Illinois facility yield increased from 250g/sq ft in January to 400g/sq ft in 2021



#### **Price Protection**

By engineering our facilities and processes to produce high yields, we protect ourselves against price fluctuations and market changes.

## Operational leadership



Leo Gontmakher CEO

Leo co-founded Northwest Cannabis Solutions, which under his leadership grew to be one of the largest and most successful producers of cannabis products in Washington state. He also served as Chief Operating Officer at Cannex, which merged with 4Front in July 2019. Before entering the cannabis industry, he served on the senior management team at North America's largest processor and distributor of specialized seafood products.



Karl Chowscano "Karlos" President

Karlos joined 4Front in 2015 as a major investor and board member. He is a former executive director of the Aquilini Investment Group in Vancouver, B.C.; and former Chief Strategy Officer of Spear Education. Earlier in his career, Karlos was a partner and international tax attorney at Thorsteinssons, the largest law firm in Canada focused exclusively on tax law.



Kris Krane President, Mission Disp.

Prior to co-founding 4Front Advisors with Josh Rosen in 2011, Kris served as director of client services for CannBe, a pioneer in developing best practices within the medical cannabis industry. Kris has dedicated his career to reforming the nation's misguided drug policies, having served as associate director of NORML from 2000 to 2005 and executive director of Students for Sensible Drug Policy from 2006 to 2009.



Andrew Thut CIO, 4Front

Andrew was an early investor in 4Front, joining the company full time in 2014. He brings to the team a wealth of financial-

management experience and business acumen having previously served as managing director of the BlackRock Small Cap Growth Fund at BlackRock Advisors LLC. During his 11- year involvement, the \$2 billion fund ranked in the top five percent of all domestic small cap growth funds.



Joe Feltham COO

Joe joined 4Front in 2014 and was appointed as COO in 2020. He has brought a wealth of experience and support in financial analysis, market research and operations support and is instrumental in implementing new processes and projects for the company. Joe also works closely with Neighborhood Housing Solutions, a non profit corporation to assist low income families find safe and affordable housing in Arizona.

The Future is finished goods.

Evaluating customer demand.

Speed and agility.

# The Future is finished goods.

We are focused on long-term brand success by developing finished goods, such as edibles, vapes, tinctures and capsules, as well as flower.



### **Evaluating customer demand is key to efficient product development.**

We develop multiple flavours of edibles, and analyze market data to determine the best performing flavours and products. We use these insights to expand and refine product offerings, and in the development of new lines and products.



# Speed and agility in getting products to market is key.

4Front actively monitors the market for product gaps, and using our skillsets and standardized process, we can quickly capitalize, creating a finished product in a four to six week time span.



## The 4Front brand family



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## Our brands are trusted Consistency is key

Customers want predictability in their purchases, and this is especially true in the cannabis industry. We believe consistency is an important predictor of overall customer experience and loyalty.

That's why we take great pains to deliver the same taste and experience in all of our products, regardless of where the customer purchases them.

Using advanced growing techniques and proprietary manufacturing processes we can offer reliable, safe products that can be trusted to deliver a consistent experience every time.

Available in a wide variety of strains, dosages, flavors and formats to suit a range of needs.



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EGENDS Since Since

#### Focusing on quality, catering to everybody

From the lower and mid-price point offerings of Mini Budz and Legends to original premium brand, Private Reserve, and our newest top shelf phenotype Funky Monkey, we're creating ever-better flower strains that delight the senses and help our customers make the most out of every experience, regardless of budget.

## Flower Brand spotlight

CANNABIS CO. Our premium flower brand features the best and brightest phenotypes in our gardens. The cheeky chimps at Funky Monkey Cannabis Company cultivate buds with a focus on quality, catering to cannabis enthusiasts who enjoy rare strains, small batches, and attention to detail.



## Edibles Brand spotlight

**VAD** 

Born in the Pacific Northwest, Marmas quickly grew into one of the most popular edibles in Washington state where they've been delighting cannabis enthusiasts ever since. As opposed to traditional gummies, Marmas do not contain gelatin, making them an excellent gluten free and vegan option in an assortment of delicious fruity flavors. Famous for their unique texture that is both tender and satisfying, these brightly hued chewy treats are made for winding down or turning up. Just one taste and you'll see why Marmas are so beloved.

# **HI-BURST**

Hi-Burst infused fruit chews melt in your mouth. Ranging from sweet to sour, they are designed to delight with their taste and reliability so you can celebrate your sweet tooth in an uplifting way. We proudly use the same high-quality ingredients and natural flavors that confectioners source from all over the world to ensure a shockingly delicious edible.





## Concentrates

### **Brand spotlight**

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Crystal Clear delivers a great high every time because we are obsessive about our quality control. Each of our proprietary blends replicates a flower's terpene profile to create the same high without tars and resins. We oversee the entire process to ensure a consistent experience, one with a high potency at a great price that our loyal customers know and love.

## TERPENDIN ALL'ELONGER MARTUUANA' UDINTS

We appreciate the artisans, which is why we created a highly potent, infused joint for cannabis lovers who have been smoking together for generations. We've used our proprietary mixing process to homogenize distillate and flower to create a powerful pre roll that doesn't ooze harsh wax or waste product. All Terp Stix are crafted with exceptional diligence for a pre roll that is evenly burned, canoe-free, and goes far beyond just getting the job done.





# pure 🛈 ratios Founded in 2015, Pure Ratios focuses on holistic wellness products that marry cannabinoids with traditional Eastern medicine ingredients, as well as hemp-derived CBD

products that are sold nationwide.

Award winning 96-hour pain relief patch, the first and only pain management product of its kind.





& Capsules

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# A mission to serve

Mission Dispensaries serves as the retail component in our vertically integrated model. These storefronts provide a hightouch venue for building brand awareness of our products, nurturing customer loyalty, and extending brand engagement. Mission dispensaries operate in states where retail makes good business sense.

Mission dispensaries operate in Illinois, Massachusetts and Michigan

Provisioning medical and adult-use cannabis in a collaborative, safe, and inspiring environment.

Promoting the healing power of the plant through advocacy, education, and research.

## We stand for our mission Our commitment to social justice

4Front is the largest cannabis industry supporter of Students for Sensible Drug Policy. In additional to a substantial annual financial donation, 4Front maintains close ties to SSDP's network via mentorship, employment, and programmatic support. 4Front founder Kris Krane serves as Treasurer of SSDP's board of directors.

4Front launched an immediately impactful partnership with **Last Prisoner Project** in January. Raising about \$700 a week per store, with plans to continue to expand and evolve the partnership

4Front is a participant and donor to the Marijuana Policy Project's Policy Council, and participates in MPP's social equity policy development work.

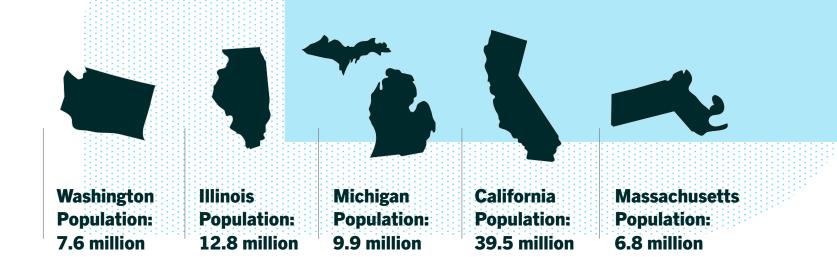
4Front sits on the **NCIA** policy council with Kris Krane acting as company liaison.



# **Business strategy**

## Leveraging knowledge, growing business

### Our strategy is to replicate our success building one of the most efficient and profitable cannabis operators in Washington in the targeted states of Massachusetts, Illinois, Michigan and California.



#### **Operational Excellence**

We take considered and decisive measures to streamline our operational platform and believe more efficiencies will be achieved.

#### **Maximizing Growth**

Our complete attention is focused on maximizing growth in our core geographies and expanding our vertical operations to take meaningful market share in nascent adult-use markets that represent an addressable market of over 76m people.



# **Investment highlights**

# The opportunity to execute

### **4Front is at an inflection point**

leverage in 2021.

#### Growing footprint and brand **Proven low-cost** Streamlined operational recognition in major cultivation and production cost structure cannabis markets model Recent restructuring has Sharpened corporate focus on 5 large Proven production model that is decreased annualized corporate markets, Washington, Illinois, both replicable and scalable in overhead of \$30m to under \$20m Massachusetts, Michigan and California new markets USD Focus on adaptability and Laser-focused on profitable **Ownership** innovation in product growth development • Cash flow positive beginning August 2020 and positive adjusted EBITDA Consumer-led product development Inside ownership over 40%, fully Q3 2020. and proven track record of adapting aligned to maximize shareholder product portfolio to meet emerging value • Poised to show significant operating

customer demands

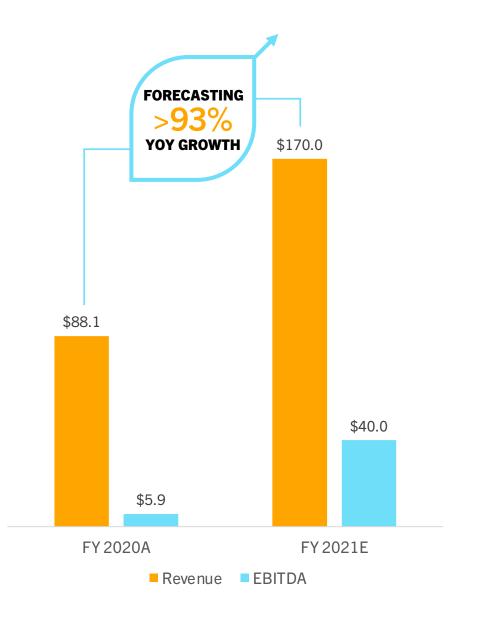


# Financials



### Currently forecasting Full Year 2021 systemwide pro forma revenue of \$170-180 million and adjusted EBITDA of \$40-50 million.

This forecast includes current operations plus the opening of the Brookline, MA dispensary and the Commerce, CA production facility in Q2 of 2021.





4Front Shares I/O	Fully Diluted Share Count
Subordinate Voting Common (As-Converted)	592,139,699
Multiple Voting Shares (As-Converted)	1,276,208
TOTAL Basic Shares Outstanding	593,415,907
Dilutive Securities	
<b>Options</b> (CAD \$0.10 - \$1.63)	57,298,560
Warrants (CAD \$0.70 - \$1.99)	40,350,629
Total Dilutive Securities	97,649,189
TOTAL Fully Diluted Shares	691,065,096
Fully Diluted Shares (Treasury Method)	630,781,289



# **Cannabis industry**

## Cannabis market overview

The legal US Cannabis market is forecast to be worth US\$30.2 -\$37 billion by 2024<sup>\*</sup> Worldwide spending is forecast to grow 38% to 20.4 billion in 2020. 15 states now legal for adult use and 34 states legal for medical use Bipartisan support for legalization among residents of the US reaches 68%

Cannabis was declared an essential service amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Adult use sales grew 25.1% in 2019 to 7.3 billion US legal cannabis spending grew by more than 36.5% in 2019 to 12.4 billion.



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