

New Bedford man arrested for marijuana distribution

I don't blame New Bedford police officers for arresting people for marijuana distribution. While marijuana is legal for consumption, It's still against the law to sell without a retail license from the state.

On Thursday, 18-year old Ryan Chase of New Bedford was arrested on County Street for distributing over two ounces of marijuana. It's actually legal to gift less than an ounce of marijuana, but since he was allegedly selling more than an ounce he's now facing charges of possession to distribute, distribution and conspiracy to violate drug laws.

New Bedford is still one of the only cities south of Boston without an approved or operating retail marijuana store, so New Bedford residents have to travel to places like Fall River or Wareham to purchase marijuana legally or buy it through New Bedford's black market.