Chapter Twelve
Security Planning for the Operation

Security planning for the operation requires creating a blue print for the placement of cameras, creating secure rooms for inventory and currency, and having the ability to watch every part of the dispensary and cultivation center from a smart phone or computer anywhere there is an internet connection. When designing each part of the operation, the smart operator will first map out each room such as back rooms where there are no closets or hidden spaces, egresses where anyone who passes in and out is recorded, and also create an inventory of all equipment in the event the facility is burglarized. The important things to consider when creating a blueprint for the facilities includes:

a. The layout and square footage of each room.

b. Overall square footage of each facility

c. Name and function of each room

d. The doorways or pathways between rooms

e. All means of ingress and egress

f. Location of restricted and limited access areas

g. Location of cannabis storage areas while the dispensary is open for business

h. Location of cannabis storage areas while the dispensary is closed for business

i. Location of sinks and refrigerators

j. Location of all safes and vaults that will be used to store cannabis, cannabis products or currency.

k. Location of each computer used to check qualifying patient cards or designated caregiver registry cards

l. Location of each computer and cash register used for point of sale transactions and access the state's verification system

m. Location of fire exits

n. Location of all toilet facilities

o. Location of break rooom and personal storage lockers

p. Location of patient counseling areas

q. Location of each video camera

r. Location of each panic button for security

s. Location of natural light (i.e., skylights, windows) and artificial lighting sources