



## **Serenity Lane Educates on Cocaine Costs**

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Serenity Lane of Bend, Oregon, recently put out an article discussing the cost of cocaine and how it impacts cocaine use disorders. As one of the oldest non-profit rehabs in the state, they have many years of experience seeing the fluctuations of various substances, their prices, and how they impact a community. They wanted to utilize this knowledge to further educate people about substance use.

In Oregon, nearly 3% of people aged 12 and older reported taking cocaine at least once within the past year. This makes it the 7th highest ranking state for cocaine consumption with the national average being 2%. Serenity Lane highlights these facts to help stress the importance of being knowledgeable about cocaine use disorders and where they stem from.

To start diving into the real purpose of the article, Serenity Lane begins answering the most common questions they receive about the price of cocaine. Some of these questions include, "Is there a set price for cocaine?" as well as, "What factors impact the price of cocaine?" Through a combination of personal experience, as well as data gathered by the United Nations on substances and their prices across the globe, Serenity Lane is able to skillfully address these questions in their piece.

"Cocaine, on average, is sold by its weight," Serenity Lane explains. "The current recorded average price of

a gram of cocaine, according to the UN, is about \$120. Usually, cocaine is not sold in kilograms, as that is 1000x more than a gram. They then continue by explaining how the pricing might change. Much like any other good in the world, it's all about supply and demand. This means that prices can even change from day to day, especially since cocaine is not in any form of regulated market.

Knowing that some readers might be loved ones of someone with a cocaine use disorder, Serenity Lane takes the time in their article to explain common nicknames for specific measurements of cocaine. The two terms they address are "bump" and "8-ball." When talking about a "bump" of cocaine, this normally refers to a single "hit." Because this is such a small amount of cocaine, the cost of it is usually very little. The term 8-ball comes from the fact that it is 1/8th of an ounce of cocaine. 1/8th of an ounce is equal to 3.5 grams of cocaine. This means currently the price of that would be about \$420.

To wrap the piece up, Serenity Lane goes into detail about how exactly the price of cocaine can impact cocaine use disorders. The more easily available, both in finding a product and being able to afford it, a substance is, the higher the number of people participating in it is, generally speaking. This means that the price of cocaine can impact addiction.

For readers uncertain about what to do next if they wish to seek treatment for cocaine use, the article offers details about the process as well as options on how to take those next steps. Readers can learn more about cocaine prices and the process of beginning rehab from substance use by browsing the article.

Serenity Lane has been helping people overcome substance and alcohol use disorders since 1973. All of the programs they offer have been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF). They have introduced many new programs in Oregon, such as residential step-down and outpatient programs that integrate residential and outpatient services. They have also been the provider of the only Addiction Counselor Training Program in Oregon. Some of their graduates are now offering their services through several treatment programs throughout the country.

People who would like to know more about the addiction treatment services available through Serenity Lane of Bend, Oregon can visit their website or contact them by telephone or email. Serenity Lane has live people ready to help place patients from 8:00 am - 7:30 pm Monday through Friday, and 8:00 am - 6:00 pm Saturday and Sunday.

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## **Serenity Lane Bend Outpatient Treatment**

*Serenity Lane was established as a private, non-profit addiction treatment center for alcoholism and drug use in 1973. We have programs throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington. We believe that recovery from addiction is possible.*

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