

October 26th, 2023

On Wednesday, October 25th, VPD conducted a raid of the Drug User Liberation Front's (DULF) office on East Hastings, as well as arrested [two activists/their names] in two homes in so-called "East Vancouver." The work that [these activists/their names] and DULF have been doing to bring safe, clean drugs to the hands of those who need them is crucial, life-saving, and undoubtedly needed.

PACE Society stands with DULF, their members, comrades, and drug users everywhere. We find the actions of the VPD to be violent, unethical, and unjustified. Cops and the colonial government in BC care only about further criminalizing drug users, and never about protecting their lives and community. Groups such as the Drug User Liberation Front (DULF), Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users (VANDU) and Coalition of Peers Dismantling the Drug War (CPDDW) are working tirelessly to save lives, protect the community, and advocate for change from the government who refuses to listen.

When people are dying everyday from a toxic drug supply and no solutions have been given, there is no choice but for people to take matters into their own hands. Legal does not equal moral, especially when lives are on the line.

We whole-heartedly support and stand with DULF, the work they do, and everyone who will feel the ripple effect of this raid. Drug user liberation and solidarity always.