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Maplewood gets second hemp store, this time in its mall



Nothing But Hemp, which sells CBD oils, capsules, water solubles and other products, opened a kiosk in Maplewood Mall in Nov. 2018. CEO Steven Brown said the business had a very profitable first month. (Courtesy of Steven Brown)

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The market for products derived from hemp is growing in Maplewood, where a new dealer of CBD goods just set up shop.

Nothing But Hemp, which sells oils, edibles and even bath bombs containing cannabidiol — one of the active ingredients in hemp and marijuana — opened a kiosk in the Maplewood Mall last month. It joins [Minnesota Hempdropz](#) as the only businesses in Maplewood that are devoted entirely to CBD products.

“We’re kind of one of the first to market here,” said Steven Brown, CEO of Nothing But Hemp.

CBD derived from hemp contains little to no THC, or tetrahydrocannabinol, the ingredient in pot that gets users high. Hemp products can be sold in Minnesota if their THC concentration is below 0.3 percent, according to state statute.

Supporters say CBD helps relieve pain, anxiety, seizures and cancer, though these claims are not supported by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The products at Nothing But Hemp are lab-tested and sourced from farmers who are licensed to grow hemp, Brown said. Prices range from \$9 to \$89, depending on the amount of milligrams.

“We basically take the same due diligence as a dispensary would in ... California,” said Brown, a 35-year-old from south Minneapolis.

Brown said Nothing But Hemp has been “very profitable” in its first month: “We paid for our rent in the first day.”

The kiosk is open daily in the Maplewood Mall, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Nothing But Hemp will open two more locations in the future, Brown said, including one in Forest Lake that is under construction and a third in Stillwater.

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