

GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 7, 2025, 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM via Zoom

(1) Roll call: (5 mins)

There are currently 15 CC committee members. Quorum is a simple majority of 8.

Ashley Brown, Meg Buckingham, Charisse Cordero, Albert Faz, Ann Garrison, Richard Gomez, Greg Jan, Jane Jarlsberg, Susan Lamont, Don Manro, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, Rohan Sabnis, John Schmit, Laura Wells

NOTE: Audra Walton resigned per her email to the CC on 6/25/25. We thank Audra for serving on the CC almost continuously since July 2019.

NOTE: A new CC term has begun this month. See **Appendix K** below for vote results.

PRESENT (12):

Ashley Brown, Meg Buckingham, Charisse Cordero, Richard Gomez, Greg Jan, Susan Lamont, Don Manro, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, Rohan Sabnis, John Schmit, and Laura Wells

ABSENT (3):

Albert Faz, Ann Garrison and Jane Jarlsberg

A quorum of 12 members was achieved at 7:40 pm.

(2) Roles (4 mins):

Roles for CC Call on July 7, 2025:

Agenda Prep: Laura Wells

Facilitator: Richard Gomez

Note Taker: Mimi Newton

Time Keeper:

Vibes Watcher:

Roles for next month's CC Call on August 4, 2025:

Agenda Prep: Susan Lamont

Facilitator: Shannel Pittman

Note Taker:

Time Keeper:

Vibes Watcher:

(3) Approval of Agenda (3 minutes)

(3a) LATE ITEMS: See details further below

Item (7): PROPOSAL: Request for GPCA-CC alerts for (Standing) General Assemblies (SGAs/GAs)

Item (8): PROPOSAL: Request to Butch Ware regarding posting

Agenda and late items were all approved by consensus.

(4) Approval of CC minutes (3 mins)

Draft minutes from the June CC call had been begun by Audra, but Mimi agreed to finish them for approval in August.

(5) Consent Items (5 mins)

Background and Purpose: The consent calendar is intended to pass non-controversial items or items consented prior to the actual meeting. Any item may be objected to and that item will be placed at the end of the evening's agenda.

Proposal: Accept the following committee reports (CC liaisons are noted) for inclusion in the meeting minutes:

- Bylaws and Rules (Mimi Newton) - **Appendix A**
- Candidates (Greg Jan) - **Appendix B**
- Communications (liaison needed) (NOT SUBMITTED) - **Appendix C**
- Finance (liaison needed, Justin Richardson, treasurer) - **Appendix D**
- Membership and Outreach (Laura Wells) - **Appendix E**

- Policy & Platform (Don Manro) - **Appendix F**
- General Assembly Planning (CC subcommittee) (Shannel Pittman) (NOT SUBMITTED) - **Appendix G**
- GP-US delegation from GPCA (Shannel Pittman) (NOT SUBMITTED) - **Appendix H**
- ProRep (PR) Coalition (David Cobb, non-CC member) - **Appendix I**

UPDATES WHERE NO REPORT WAS SUBMITTED:

John Schmit held a Communications meeting but no one came.

Shannel was unable to attend the Delegation call, but Don was able to attend - these meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month at 7pm. Shannel will contact Peggy. Does anyone take minutes on a regular basis?

The Consent Calendar was approved by consensus.

(6) UPDATES and APPOINTMENTS (5 mins)

(6.a) Committee Appointments:

Mimi Newton appointment to the Finance Committee

Preface: In its May 2025 Report, the Finance Committee notified the CC that “The Finance Committee needs members, as we are not currently a functional committee per requirements set forth the Bylaws. We do not have a liaison to the CC. Justin (Treasurer and ex-officio member) has been creating agendas, facilitating meetings, and preparing minutes for the CC for the past 9-12 months. We have no ‘members’ presently and cannot carry out our duties per the Bylaws.” I attended the subsequent Finance Committee meeting after the CC’s receipt of this report. However, I was unable to attend the most recent June Finance Committee meeting, due to a conflict. I would like to join the Finance Committee at this time and am submitting the application below for your consideration.

Application:

I’m a resident of Fairfax, California and a Member of the Marin Greens County Council. I’m currently on both the GPCA Coordinating Committee and the Bylaws and Rules Committee. I have been continuously registered as a Green Party member since attending law school in the late 80’s.

After moving to Southern California in the mid 90’s and then to Northern California in 2000, I’ve been an active Green at the local level since about 2006.

Upon initially attending GPCA General Assemblies, I began attending Finance and Fundraising meetings in about 2016. However, shortly thereafter, in 2017, I realized Federal employee ethics rules prohibit participation in political party fundraising, and I stopped attending those meetings.

After my recent retirement from the US EPA, I am no longer prohibited from participation in the Party's fundraising efforts. I'd like to be appointed to the Finance Committee so that I can assist the Treasurer and the rest of the Finance Committee where possible. As a member of the GPCA Finance Committee, I would be happy to help the Party with its financial accounting, budgeting, fundraising and other work.

Approved by consensus.

(6.b) 48- or 72-Hour Online CC Vote(s) and Results:

Proposal: GPCA to add its name to the Global March To Gaza endorsement list by filling out <https://marchtogaza.net/ngo-contact-form/> to endorse. GPCA to publicize its endorsement in appropriate contexts consistent with other endorsements, including social media, website, etc.

Voting period started 6/10/25, 5:00 pm and ended 6/12/25, 5:00pm

For full text of the Proposal, see **Appendix J**

RESULTS: Quorum = 8 of 15 members, percentage "YES" of voting members = $11/11 = 100\%$, the proposal passes

— YES = 11 votes:

Megan Buckingham, Charisse Cordero, Richard Gomez, Greg Jan, Susan Lamont, James McFadden, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, Rohan Sabnis, John Schmit, Laura Wells

— NO = 0

— ABSTAIN = 0

— NOT VOTING = 4: Ann Garrison, Jane Jarlsberg, Don Manro, Audra Walton

(6.c) Strategic Plan Calendar review

<https://assets.nationbuilder.com/cagreens/pages/1695/attachments/original/1695065961/GPCAWorkPlan2023-2025V2.pdf?16950659>

(6.d) Action Item(s) Update (10 minutes):

- Rohan will update SGA webpages for results of CC and GP-US delegates - **Appendix K**

NOTE: refer to last month's minutes, which were posted by Mimi to the CC in draft form on Monday, July 28, 2025 at 8:12 pm.

- The CC is supposed to: (a) remind committees to start preparing their work plans and budgets for next year; and (b) provide notice of our standing committee vacancies to the INFORM list.
- Ashley will be sending out an announcement with the GA Agenda tonight or tomorrow.

- Action items from the June 2025 CC Call:

Laura Wells will email Tarik to confirm if he can review Richard's calculations of county delegate numbers or produce the official numbers by the June 30th deadline.

AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED TO THE CC

LATE AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED TO THE CC

(7) PROPOSAL: Request for GPCA-CC alerts for (Standing) General Assemblies (SGAs/GAs)

Subject/Title: GPCA POLICY AND PLATFORM REQUEST RE GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE ALERTS FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLIES (GA) AND STANDING GENERAL ASSEMBLIES (SGA)

Co-sponsors: Don Manro, Shane Que Hee, PPC Committee Coordinator (CoCo)

Background and Purpose: There were no electronic formal alerts for submission of items received by the PPC CoCo for the June 14 2025 General Assembly. Apparently, the submission deadline was April 18 2025 sent on March 14 2025 on the Inform List (I am not on that listserv or the CC's) when the exact date of the General Assembly was unknown. In the past, a reminder

e mail was sent about a week before the deadline, but I never received that. I also did not receive an e mail announcing the draft agenda that should have been received by about May 2 2025.

The GPCA Bylaws have the following crucial time for GAs and SGAs:

7-5.1 Draft Agenda

The Coordinating Committee shall establish a Draft Agenda for all General Assembly meetings, distribute it at least 42 days in advance to each County Organization and submit it for approval at the beginning of each General Assembly.

There is no language for the timelines for the initial notification and the reminder, the last being the most critical.

PROPOSAL

The PPC suggests the following revision (new=underlined; struck out=deleted)

7-5.1 Draft Agenda

The Coordinating Committee shall establish a Draft Agenda for all General Assembly meetings, distribute it at least 42 days in advance to each County Organization and Committee Coordinators, and submit it for approval at the beginning of each General Assembly. A reminder message shall be distributed a week ahead of the submission date indicated on the initial notification.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: CC controlled

Timeline: moderate urgency

Implementation: CC controlled

Resources: Nil

A discussion regarding the proposal ensued. Mimi advised Don that the Bylaws and Rules Committee, which is meeting on Sunday, will need to review the proposal as to form. A suggestion was made to copy Shane on all notices regarding General Assemblies. Tarik will be sending a notice about the next GA sometime in August (GA planned for Nov. 8, Nov. 15 or Oct. 25).

(8) PROPOSAL: Request to Butch Ware regarding posting

Subject/Title: GPCA-CC request to Butch Ware regarding his posting about ICE rallies and Palestine

Co-sponsors: Greg Jan and Laura Wells, and those who responded to Greg's call for a special meeting on this issue: Ashley Brown, Charisse Cordero, Richard Gomez, Susan Lamont, Don Manro, and John Schmit

Background and Purpose: On June 8, Green candidate for governor Butch Ware wrote a post on Instagram about the planned participation or non-participation by American Freedmen in the June 14 anti-ICE rallies. The text of the post is included in the draft email in **Appendix L** and as a link in the References section. In response to the Instagram post and other communications, Audra Walton submitted a resignation letter to the CC on June 25 (see References). On July 1, Greg Jan asked for volunteers to discuss the issue at a special meeting, which happened on July 7 at 9:30 AM, the morning of this monthly CC meeting. It was attended by the eight CC members listed as co-sponsors of this agenda item.

Proposal: That the GPCA-CC send an email to Butch Ware, with a CC to the Butch Ware for Governor campaign manager Jason Call, asking for an apology for his choice of words, and a statement with more information about his point of view. See **Appendix L** for draft email.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: Timing would be within days. The sending email address of the request needs to be determined, as well as the list of contacts for questions.

References:

https://www.instagram.com/p/DKp5Bd-Trjn/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFlZA==

More references are in Audra Walton's resignation email to the CC on 6/25/25, 9:40 PM

A discussion ensued. It was agreed by consensus that Laura would work with Greg, Shannel and Richard to craft a letter to Butch Ware regarding the CC's concerns and that these four CC members are empowered to agree upon the language and send the communication.

The meeting was adjourned, although the time of adjournment was not noted by the notetaker(!)

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

Bylaws and Rules Committee Report: 6/8/25

Present: Mimi Newton (notetaker) and James Lauderdale

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

The Committee has a significant number of outstanding email messages about maintenance of the most current bylaws, rules and procedures for the Party and is endeavoring to work our way through each message and provide appropriate responses.

Next meeting: 7/13/25, 12:30pm PDT

APPENDIX B

Candidates Committee meeting report: 6/21/25

NOTE: This information is from the meeting announcement/agenda

Hi Candidates Committee and other Greens!,

Immediately below is a draft letter to be sent to county Green Party groups around the state, to encourage them to identify Green Party candidates for next year's elections! Please give your feedback about the letter either at this coming Saturday's meeting, or before then! (The Zoom info for Saturday's meeting is immediately after the draft letter).

Thank you so much, and "see you" on Saturday!,

Greg

DRAFT LETTER — for Candidates Committee to discuss

Hi Greens,

This Summer is a great time to encourage Greens in your county to run for office next year! So below is a draft letter for you to email to them -- of course, please edit it to fit your local circumstances. And please do let us know if you'll be sending this out (or something like it) -- that is, we'd really like to have many more Greens run for local office, in every county!

Thank you so very much,

Candidates Committee

Green Party of California

[[Subject line: Please consider running as a Green for local office!]]

Hi Greens,

We'd like to have several local Greens run for office next year, so we're writing to you now, to encourage you to start thinking about that! In our county, most elections are in November of even years, such as for City Council, School Board, transit district seats, as well as for several other offices. However, the elections for state legislature and US House formally begin with next year's June primary -- and the first signature-gathering period for those seats starts in December of this year!

So please start thinking about running for office now! The state Green Party has identified three websites with tips about running for office, as is listed below. It would be great to hear about

your interest in running for office over the next couple of weeks (and especially if you'd like to run for state legislature or US Congress)!

Thank you so much,

Green Party of XXXXXX County

Websites with tips on running for local office:

1 -- <https://migrreenparty.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/MassGP-010603-HT-Run-Polit-Campaign-wkshp-8pp-shrunk-to-4pp-by-jalp-040501.pdf>

2 -- <https://www.npr.org/2019/10/15/770332855/how-to-run-for-office>

3 -
- <https://www.dropbox.com/s/nbb1ga0476cakpc/DFA%20Campaign%20Academy%202009%20Complete.pdf?dl=0>

(Note: The first two are short, about 4 pages each, while the last one goes into much more detail and is 178 pages long).

END OF DRAFT LETTER — for Candidates Committee to discuss

APPENDIX C

Communications Committee Meeting Agenda/Minutes (see also Membership & Outreach report)

APPENDIX D

Finance & Fundraising Meeting time: Thursday, 6/26/25 at 8:00pm

NOTE: This information is from the meeting AGENDA

(1) ROLL CALL:

(2) Roles: Facilitator: Note Taker: Vibes Watcher:

(3) Approval of the Agenda

(4) Approval of Finance Committee Minutes

(5) Review 2025 [filing schedules](#) and deadlines from FPPC for when we need to file the next report

Our next filing is due July 31, 2025 for close of books June 30, 2025. The exception is when we receive a very large donation or have transactions in connection with a special election.

(6) Monthly Treasurer's Report

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05/01-01/00/00 Income

\$979.50	One-time donations (29)
\$437.61	Recurring monthly donations (36)
\$10.00	Merchandise (1)

05/01-01/00/00 Expenses

\$10.45	Call Centric (Phone)
\$50.00	Electric Embers (Email)
\$221.40	WiredTree/Liquid Web (Website)
\$19.50	Next (Insurance)
\$60.00	ISP (Finance Software)
\$300.00	Treasurer's Stipend
\$21.32	PayPal Transaction Fees
\$26.42	NationBuilder Transaction Fees

5/31/25 Account Balances

\$77.97	PayPal
\$1,108.15	Mechanics Bank (savings) Federal
\$13,958.64	Mechanics Bank (checking) State

(7) Updates and Announcements

Fundraising project check-in: Appreciation cards to one-time \$100+ donors (past 8 years)

Liquid Web transition status

NationBuilder database clean-up/purge

(8) Confirm next meeting (typically 4th Thursdays): 7/24/25

APPENDIX E

Membership and Outreach Committee Notes 6/10/25

Attendance: Ashley Brown (facilitator & note-taker), Richard Gomez, Jack Lucas, Laura Wells

Notes:

- LW: General Assembly registration and quorum this Saturday June 14.
 - Jack, Richard, Laura so far

- Registered so far: 20 who are not delegates; 17 who are delegates
- Quorum needed - majority is 11 counties, caution about when only 1 person from a county is registered.
 - That have someone registered of those there are 4 with more than 1 person and 7 with 1 person registered.
 - Fresno - not registered yet
 - San Bernardino - Albert Faz registered
 - San Diego - 1 person
 - Santa Barbara - 1
 - Sonoma -1
 - Stanislaus - 1
 - Tulare - 2
 - Yolo - 1
 - AB - reaching out to Monterey, Santa Cruz (Gabe, Dominique, Sean)
 - JL - reaching out to San Francisco, Shasta
 - LA - SGA delegates - People on the county council that have not attended General Assemblies
 - SGA delegates vote on the state related issues (they don't vote in the national votes)
 - We don't really need the list of delegates until July, for the next term 7/1/25 to 6/30/26. Counties respond with their list of delegates (may get a loss in counties)
- JL: county organizing
 - San Mateo is still inactive
 - 6/10 update from Sean Dougherty: Santa Cruz - Second Saturday at 10am
 - Shane Que Hee & Shannel Pitman
 - AB: Onboarding:
 - Coordinating, follow-up, historical knowledge for POC, Nation Builder
 - Next Meeting (subject to change): 2nd Tuesdays, July 8, 2025, 7:30pm

APPENDIX F

MINUTES GPCA POLICY & PLATFORM COMMITTEE

(for May and June)

MINUTES 5/29/25

Present: Eric Brooks (San Francisco); Elizabeth Green (Los Angeles); Peggy Koteen (San Luis Obispo); Don Manro (Tulare); Shane Que Hee (Los Angeles)

Shane reported on the abortive attempt to have 3 Platform planks (Human Rights and Civil Liberties; Affirmative Action; on the agenda of the June 14 GPCA GA.

Eric reported on his recently changed SB254 opposition draft for CC vote that Don will present at the next CC meeting. The draft deletes the other bills that might be also opposed. Eric will send the below final draft to the PPC listserv.

Proposal

Subject/Title: POLICY - GPCA Opposition to SB 254 (utilities-wildfire-renewables)

Co-sponsors: Don Manro, Eric Brooks

Background and Purpose: For the GPCA to oppose SB 254 in order to help prevent circumvention of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and prevent California general fund expenditures, to improperly benefit utility monopolies and large electrical energy users, resulting in the following problems.

SB 254 would:

- 1) Waive California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review for all transmission wire undergrounding projects!
- 2) Waive CEQA for individual clean energy projects by allowing the California Energy Commission (CEC) to create statewide umbrella Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs) for classes of clean energy projects! (For example, if the CEC created one of these statewide EIRs for the project class of large solar-thermal arrays, they could be approved without CEQA review regardless of where they were cited!)
- 3) Provide higher rebates for very low-income customers, but also allow the CPUC to more easily approve rate increases (point 4) potentially eliminating the increased rebates.
- 4) Allow the CPUC to even more easily approve rate increases to customers for wildfire mitigation projects.
- 5) IMPORTANT: SB 254 Would potentially reduce electricity rate increases for wildfire and clean energy project costs, but would do so by using state tax revenues to create a 'POWER' fund to cover customer bills while doing nothing to transfer any of these costs to the monopoly utilities like PG&E or their shareholders!

Proposal: That the GPCA establish formal opposition to SB 254 by a consensus call of the Coordinating Committee.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources:

Timeline: Urgent - SB 254 will be moving rapidly through the California Assembly beginning in early June.

Implementation: The Policy and Platform Committee will notify other GPCA committees, and others, of the position, and will take steps to communicate the GPCA's opposition to legislators - all using the text above.

Resources: These actions can all be done electronically through email and via online comment forms.

References

See the SB 254 bill text and status at:

https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB254

See the announcement from TURN and the huge industrial and Big AG electricity users supporting the bill at:

<https://turn.org/press-releases/new-big-tent-coalition-campaign-for-affordable-power-urges-gov-newsom-and-lawmakers-to-support-affordability-package>

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POLICY:

No more bills on the horizon at the moment

PLATFORM

Elizabeth Green's April meeting suggestions on Women's Rights section, economic equality were not considered due to lack of time. She sent the below for consideration just before the May meeting:

Proposal to Reward the Climate Positive

Add the following to the Environmental Justice plank
at <https://www.cagreens.org/platform/environmental-justice> page of the Green Party of California Platform » Social Justice and Livable Communities

An individual who has caused a net emission of 4,434 metric tons of carbon dioxide over her lifetime has caused one excess death globally. [in expectation between 2020-2100. <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-021-24487-w>]

Those who produce pollution should bear the costs of managing it to prevent damage to human health or the environment. [<https://www.lse.ac.uk/granthaminstitute/explainers/what-is-the-polluter-pays-principle>]

Hard scientists estimate the ultimate cost of carbon emissions to be \$10,000 to \$750,000 per ton. [The ultimate cost of carbon emissions is scientifically estimated to be \$10,000 to \$750,000 per ton based on details of the geophysical and economic scenarios (Archer, Kite and Lusk, Climactic Change, July 15, 2020. DOI: 10.1007/s10584-020-02785-4 University of Chicago news).]

Polluters should pay that amount to retirees who did more in a lifetime to restore the environment than to harm it. That would set an example that would motivate environmental restoration. It allows people to visualize themselves in that position, which can be a strong motivator. [<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/business/careers/article-unveiling-the-motivation-mystery-four-strategies-to-succeed-through>]

Therefore, the Green Party advocates:

Taxing corporate decision makers for the greenhouse gas emissions resulting from their decisions.

Paying those taxes to the retirees who did more in a lifetime to restore the environment than to harm it.

Taxing and paying by the ton in the amount estimated by hard scientists.

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Eric and Elizabeth discussed this.

Eric sent the indigenous Reparations planks to Elizabeth via the PPC listserv.

NEXT ZOOM MEETING: Thurs June 26 7-8p

MINUTES 6/26/25

Present: Eric Brooks (San Francisco); Charisse Cordero (Santa Barbara); Peggy Koteen (San Luis Obispo); Don Manro (Tulare); Shane Que Hee (Los Angeles)

1. Shane wanted to write a PPC recommendation to the CC on issuing electronic alerts to Committee Chairs (at least two, one at least one week before the submission date) on when GPCA Committee Chairs are to submit items to the Agenda Team for GAs and for SGAs in light of no such alerts to Shane before the June 14 GPCA GA. There was consensus to do this. He would circulate a draft after the meeting for Don to present to the next CC meeting.
2. Don confirmed that SB 254 (utilities-wildfire-renewables) was officially opposed by GPCA by consensus. He was congratulated for his election to the CC.
3. Peggy was happy with the elected GPUS GPCA delegates.

4. Policy:

Eric notified that SB 607 and AB 306 have been morphed together to a new AB 130 in the Governor's Budget Trailer bill. SB 607 would eliminate in-depth environmental review for a long list of polluting development projects countermanding the California Environmental Quality Act. There needs to be no action by the CC at this stage. He would follow up with an updated post to the PPC listserv.

5. Platform:

Charisse proposed that the draft Indigenous Reparations & Other Reparations and the draft Indigenous People & First Nations platforms be sent to her to be relayed to her son who has a degree in American Indian Law who has many tribal contacts for input. Eric said he would do that after the zoom meeting and also cc the voting PPC members. He also would contact Tony Gonzalez in San Francisco County and Don also had a contact with the Taichi tribe in Tulare County. Eric hoped to have a zoom with all interested representatives.

Peggy thought that a revision of the Ethical Treatment of Animals was needed and Eric said he would revise the Agricultural Food and Fiber platform.

Next Zoom Meeting: Thurs July 24 7-8p. Peggy cannot attend.

APPENDIX G

General Assembly Planning (CC subcommittee)

APPENDIX H

GP-US delegation from GPCA

APPENDIX I

Proportional Representation Coalition (ProRep) update (meets quarterly)

NOTETAKER: David Cobb - See his email of 6/13.25, 11:11 AM for attachments

REPORT: Attached are the slide deck and video from the last quarterly meeting. There is still a hope to be collect signatures for a ballot initiative for 2028, but I personally think 2030 is more likely.

The requests to GPCA from the Coalition:

- * Share GPCA statements of support with our networks and email lists.

- * Distribute ProRep's materials (brochures, postcards, t-shirts) while tabling. Contact Caledon Myers <caledon@prorepcoalition.org> to obtain these.

APPENDIX J

RE: Item (6.b) 48-hour online vote

Proposal: That "GPCA to add its name to the Global March To Gaza endorsement list by filling out <https://marchtogaza.net/ngo-contact-form/> to endorse. GPCA to publicize its endorsement in appropriate contexts consistent with other endorsements, including social media, website, etc."

Co-sponsors: Greg Jan and Will Hall

Background and Purpose:

On June 12 of 2025 thousands of people from around the world are converging in the Sinai in Egypt to march to the Rafah crossing at Gaza to demand access to humanitarian aid, an end to occupation, and a permanent ceasefire.

Groups around the world have endorsed the march: <https://marchtogaza.net/>

<https://marchtogaza.net/ngo-contact-form/>

<https://archive.is/2025.06.08-161932/https://www.haaretz.com/israel-news/2025-06-08/ty-article-magazine/.premium/hundreds-set-to-meet-in-egypt-join-global-march-to-gaza-at-rafah-border/00000197-4eca-deed-a9bf-5fef6fb00000>

The March To Gaza is clearly in robust alignment with existing GPCA policies and Ten Key Values, throughout. Here are some examples.

GPCA Ten Key Values: *"It is essential that we develop effective alternatives to society's current patterns of violence. "*

Global March To Gaza: Nonviolent citizens direct action independent of governments and political parties and consistent with GP aims.

GPCA Ten Key Values: *"Our country's long wars and worldwide military presence are immoral and unsustainable. Our military budget must be cut dramatically"*

Global March To Gaza: Opposes US-backed Israeli occupation and military blockade.

GPCA: *"July 1, 2022, SACRAMENTO, CA – The Green Party of California (GPCA) announced today that it has formally joined the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement against Israel"*

Global March To Gaza: Working to expose Israeli policy and joining pressure of movements including BDS with same aims. 6 national BDS organizations have endorsed the March.

GPCA: *"Israel must restore the freedom and wealth of the Palestinian people through sweeping reparations; end all occupation and colonization of Palestinian lands; dismantle all barriers and divisions on occupied territories, and support the right to return for displaced Palestinians (as stipulated in UN resolution 194).*

Global March To Gaza: Calls for ending occupation and blockade and for permanent ceasefire.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources:

If passed, the proposer will

1. Advise a representative of GPCA to the contact <https://marchtogaza.net/> to endorse
2. Publish the endorsement as a blog post on the GPCA website consistent with other such endorsements
3. Share a summary of the endorsement in the email eblast with a link to <https://marchtogaza.net>

References:

Information was gathered from emails between Nassim Nouri and Will Hall, with CC members Greg Jan and Laura Wells being cc'd on the thread

APPENDIX K

Results of the SGA votes for CC and GP-US delegates are shown below.

Election: ID#260, #261

Voting start: June 16, 2025 at 12:01 am

Voting stop: June 22, 2025 at 11:59 pm

ID #260 - Election of Coordinating Committee

43 SGA delegates voted out of a total of 71 SGA delegates. 1 of the 43 ballots was submitted blank (counted as abstain). Quorum was reached.

For the Coordinating Committee (CC), the following 7 people were elected to two-year terms:

Coordinating Committee members with terms ending in June, 2027:

1. Ashley Brown
2. Greg Jan
3. Mimi Newton
4. Richard Gomez
5. Albert Faz
6. John Schmit
7. Don Manro

(See attached pdf for CC election details of the voting rounds. Also attached is a pdf showing the actual ballots as voted.)

ID #261 - Election of CA Delegation to GP-US

43 SGA delegates voted out of a total of 71 SGA delegates. 1 of the 43 ballots was submitted blank (counted as abstain). Quorum was reached.

For the CA Delegation to GP-US, the following 9 people were elected to two-year Delegate terms:

Delegates with terms ending in June, 2027:

1. Greg Jan
2. Rohan Sabnis
3. Mike Cordova
4. Ann Garrison
5. Orlando Johnson
6. Jared Laiti
7. Phoebe Anne Thomas
8. Rick Greenblatt
9. Victor Hernandez

Any of the above elected Delegates who would prefer to be Alternates can change their position to Alternates if requested during the week immediately following this announcement of the election results.

APPENDIX L

RE: Item (8): Draft request to Butch Ware regarding posting

SUBJECT: GPCA-CC request regarding posts about ICE rallies and Palestine

This request is coming from the Coordinating Committee of the Green Party of California in the spirit of strengthening the Green Party, the Butch Ware for Governor campaign, and the movement for creating a broad unified front toward green values.

It concerns this Instagram post from @butchware.bsky.social on June 8, 2025 at 1:57 PM.

"Black folks that say of Palestine — or Los Angeles 'not our fight' are the worst treacherous backstabbing Uncle Ruckus coons

You sound dumb saying a fight against white supremacy isn't our fight.

We literally invented blackness from hundreds of African identities just to oppose white supremacy."

With respect for the tremendous undertaking of your running as a Green candidate for Governor of California, a critical state in these dangerous times, the Coordinating Committee is requesting that you offer an apology — of course in words that are true for you — for having used words that had the effect of disrespecting, offending, and otherwise hurting people who are choosing to struggle for a better world in the ways that they choose. The words you wrote had the effect of further dividing people rather than uniting them in support of what we're trying to do in the Green Party and in your campaign.

In the Green Party it's important that our Green activists and candidates understand that everyone has the right to make their own decisions about how they engage in the movement, and our job is to respect that.

We also believe it would be helpful and instructive, along with an apology that's true for you, to have a statement from you that can help people understand more fully your point of view behind that post, so that we can understand "where you are coming from" without being put off by those words that can so easily be taken as an extremely targeted, dehumanizing racial slur.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to any of us, including [[here we can include those willing to be contacts — or willing to be “volunteered” to be contacts — with their emails and phone numbers.]]

In solidarity,

Coordinating Committee

Green Party of California

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