

The Green Party of California

ProRep Coalition Membership Proposal

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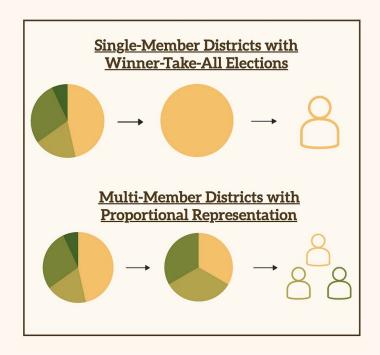
The Green Party of California and Proportional Representation



"One of the primary goals of the Green Party is to change our electoral system from winner-take-all elections to proportional representation (PR). PR is an overall strategy for fuller and fairer representation in government, that encompasses several types of voting systems. It is used by most of the world's established democracies.

Our current U.S. winner-take-all system - where the highest vote-getter represents 100% of the electorate - causes many problems. Among them are lack of choice for voters; over-representation of some parties and under-representation of others; combined with gross under-representation of women, and racial and political minorities; low voter turnout; issue-less campaigns; a two-party monopoly/duopoly; corruption of politics by big money; and gerrymandering of legislative districts for incumbents' protection."

Source: http://www.cagreens.org/platform/proportional-representation





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Our Vision: A more democratic and representative society.

Our Mission: To enable multi-party democracy in California through education and coalition-building for (Pro)portional (Rep)resentation.

Our Team: Aaron Tiedemann (He/Him), Amari Mcgaha (She/Her), Caledon Myers (He/Him), Jessie Huang (She/Her), Nassim Nouri (She/Her), Vanessa von Hilchen (She/Her), Johannes Epke (Unpictured)(She/Her)









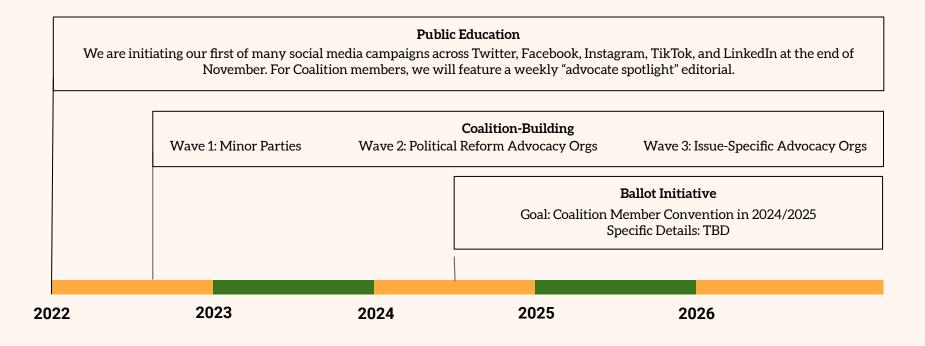






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ProRep's Pillars: Public Education, Coalition-Building & Direct Democracy



Green Party of California: ProRep Coalition Membership





Short-Term Benefits

- Collaboration with Network of Advocacy Organizations
- Joint Resources For Public Education
- Publicizing GPCA position on PR

Long-Term Benefits

- Proportional Representation in California
- Green Representation in the Legislature
- Replicable framework for change

Coalition Membership Details

Proposal

For the GPCA to join ProRep as a coalition member.

For the GPCA to appoint David Cobb as the representative of the party for ongoing communication with the coalition.

For the GPCA to allow the use of GPCA's name and logo to be listed as a coalition member on ProRep's webpage and promotional material.

For the GPCA to participate in coalition meetings and help build the effort towards a ballot initiative for Proportional Representation in California in ~2 years.

Implementation, Timeline, and Resource requirements if the proposal passes:

There are no financial commitments required of the GPCA.

The appointed representative will immediately be recognized and assume duties as the GPCA representative to the ProRep "Coalition for Proportional Representation".

Time and work requirements are mainly from the GPCA representative through participation in the Coalition meetings and discussions, and report-backs to GPCA.

The Communications Committee will also commit some minimal time in sharing the GPCA logo with ProRep and reporting and publicizing this collaboration and the coalition's accomplishments in the future.