

2024 Candidate's Questionnaire

For persons seeking the Green Party presidential nomination

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the Green Party of the U.S. presidential nomination. The Presidential Campaign Support Committee (PCSC) is a standing working committee of the Green Party. We perform various tasks to ensure good communication between the Party and the presidential candidates. Below is the PCSC's Candidate Questionnaire. We ask all candidates to complete this questionnaire in order to help Green Party voters understand their campaigns. This questionnaire must be returned if you are seeking party recognition for your candidacy. Please return the questionnaire as a word processing document (.rtf, .docx, or .odt format). Send to the PCSC at the address below. Your response will be made publicly available on the Green Party website. There is no deadline for responding, but the sooner you respond the better. You may revise your questionnaire after our initial submission if you think it is necessary (contact the co-chairs for details on how to do that)

Please observe all word limits.

Do not embed URLs in your answers unless the question specifically asks for URLs. You will be allowed to provide your website URL as part of the questionnaire.

Because the nature of the campaign can change over time, the PCSC permits you to resubmit your questionnaire with revisions. However, no revision will be accepted until the previous revision is older than two months.

If you have questions about the questionnaire, please contact PCSC co-chairs: pcsc@gp.org

Address for official submissions to PCSC co-chairs: pcsc@gp.org

SECTION 1

TO BE COMPLETED BY CANDIDATE AND RETURNED TO Presidential Campaign Support Committee (PCSC) Co-CHAIRS AT pcsc@gp.org:

THIS SECTION IS PUBLIC INFORMATION (TO BE POSTED ON the GREEN PARTY OF THE U.S. WEBSITE)

Your name: **Jorge R. Zavala**

1. CANDIDATE VIDEO: You are invited to submit a video (of a suggested length of less than 3 minutes) in which you deliver your core campaign message. This submission is highly recommended but is not required to return this questionnaire.

✓ My video is posted at the following URL address:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VjtKI80GLdY&t=7s&ab_channel=JorgeZavala%3AGreenPresidentialCandidate

☐ I will create my video later

☐ I do not plan to submit such a video.

2. CORE MESSAGE. Provide a written version of the core message of your campaign. [200 word max]

In order to bring the power of democracy into the hands of the commonwealth, it is imperative for America to adopt a new stance and position. This can be achieved by implementing inclusive methods that encourage citizens to actively participate in democratic procedures. One crucial step in this direction is the engagement in signing petitions, which allows the collective voice of the people to be heard and strengthens their influence in decision-making processes.

Moreover, it is crucial to establish informative cabinets that provide transparency in the functioning of the government. This transparency includes divulging financial obligations, and procedural details of the House, and ensuring that citizens have easy access to this information. By allowing citizens to see and understand the inner workings of the government, a greater level of accountability can be fostered.

Lastly, three foundational democratic principles must be firmly established: transparency, accountability, and informed participation. Transparency ensures that citizens are aware of the motives, actions, and decisions of their elected representatives. Accountability holds those representatives responsible for their actions and ensures they are answerable to the commonwealth. Informed participation emphasizes the importance of providing citizens with the necessary information and resources to actively engage in the democratic process.

By embracing these principles and involving citizens in a transparent and accountable democratic system, the power of democracy will truly reside in the hands of the Commonwealth. This not only strengthens the influence and involvement of the people but also upholds the essence of democracy as a government of, by, and for the people.

3. KEY POSITIONS. Please list up to five policy points or positions that you would emphasize most consistently if you were speaking as the 2024 GPUS presidential nominee. [250 words max. Please number the points.]

As a presidential candidate for the Green Party, I am committed to implementing key policies that prioritize the environment, inclusivity, transparency, sustainable energy, and economic growth. These policies aim to address pressing environmental issues, ensure citizen participation and transparency in governance, reduce dependency on harmful industries, and promote job creation and economic stability.

Policy 1: Environmental Assessment and Protection

We will conduct thorough assessments to define and measure the negative impacts of industrial waste runoff, oil and gas pollution, nuclear hazards, and environmental barriers. By understanding these dangers, we can develop effective strategies to mitigate their harmful effects and prioritize environmental conservation.

Policy 2: Inclusion and Citizen Voices

Protection of farmers, historical national parks, and recreational areas is of utmost importance. We will ensure that citizens' voices are heard, granting them the opportunity to express their concerns and

contribute to informed decision-making, thereby maintaining a balanced approach to environmental and social policies.

Policy 3: Transparency in Governance

Transparency is vital for citizen trust and participation. We will enforce transparency measures within the House of Representatives and the executive branch to provide citizens with a clear understanding of policies and bills. This will allow for informed acceptance, concerns, and constructive input from the commonwealth.

Policy 4: Sustainable Energy and Technological Development

To reduce dependency on harmful capitalistic industries, we will actively promote and support the expansion, implementation, and encouragement of energy and technological programs and businesses that prioritize renewable energy sources. This will help drive a shift towards sustainable practices and protect our environment for future generations.

Policy 5: Job Creation and Economic Growth

We recognize the importance of a robust workforce and economic stability. Our plan includes expanding vocational training and job placement opportunities after higher education. Additionally, we will reform social security work programs to strengthen economic growth and ensure a prosperous future for all, while also working towards strengthening the American dollar.

These key policies demonstrate our commitment to environmental stewardship, inclusivity, government transparency, sustainable energy, and economic growth. By electing me as president, we can work together to build a greener, fairer, and more prosperous nation.

4. GP PLATFORM. Will you advocate for the platform of the Green Party? If there are any significant platform positions that you cannot support, please state why.

☒ Yes, I will advocate for the platform

☐ But I have a different position on the following point(s) [100 words max] :

5. COMMUNICATION OF VIEWS. Please provide the URLs for any written materials or videos that demonstrate your ability to speak, debate, or communicate your views. Most helpful are media interviews or public speeches on any topic. [No more than five URL's please.]

<https://www.youtube.com/@JorgeZavalaGreen>

<https://www.einpresswire.com/article/651241276/title-democrats-and-republicans-face-controversial-debate-challenge-from-the-green-party-a-political-shake-up>

<https://www.einpresswire.com/article/649881649/green-tech-vs-national-security>

<https://www.einpresswire.com/article/646764419/jorge-zavala-on-embracing-three-truths-personal-political-and-objective>

6. ORGANIZING GOALS. What are the principle practical, measurable organizing goals that you would achieve by your 2024 GPUS presidential campaign? Such goals might include achieving ballot access, media coverage, debate participation, volunteer recruitment, fundraising, qualifying for matching funds, staffing levels, Green Party voter registration, endorsements, party building, and/or national vote totals. [120 words]

To ensure an effective and impactful presidential campaign for the Green Party, the following organizing practices should be implemented. First, establish a strong foundation by developing a clear mission, goals, and values that resonate with voters seeking environmental stewardship and social justice. Second, prioritize inclusion and information dissemination by creating a user-friendly website that offers comprehensive policy details and encourages citizen engagement. Third, build a consistent progressive movement by leveraging social media platforms to amplify messaging, connect with supporters, and mobilize grassroots efforts. Fourth, conduct informative campaigns that educate the public about the urgency of climate change and the benefits of green technologies, emphasizing their potential to create jobs and protect the environment. Fifth, focus on achieving National ballot access for Green Party candidates in all states, enabling supporters to vote for their preferred candidate across the country. Lastly, organize events that encourage citizen involvement and support, such as rallies, town hall meetings, and public forums, demonstrating a commitment to practicing inclusive and responsive governance. By implementing these practices, the campaign can effectively unite the commonwealth behind its cause, gather support, and bring about positive change.

7. CAMPAIGN ORGANIZING. How would you envision your campaign organizing to achieve the organizing goals listed in #6 above? [100 words max]

In addition to these organizing practices, it is essential for the presidential Green campaign to establish alliances and partnerships with eco-friendly, safe, and humanitarian nonprofit organizations. By collaborating with these entities, we can cultivate participation, inclusion, and social growth. These partnerships provide opportunities to leverage shared resources and expertise, collectively addressing environmental and social challenges. Together, we can drive impactful change, promoting sustainability, social justice, and community development. By employing strong organizing practices, delegating tasks, focusing on targeted research, job creation, volunteer engagement, and forming alliances, the campaign can effectively address public concerns and forge a path towards a greener and more equitable future for all.

8. PARTY-BUILDING. Presidential campaigns are legally independent entities from the political party whose nomination they received. At the same time, an important objective of the party's presidential efforts is to build Green Party capabilities at all levels. How do you envision your campaign working with the greater Green Party to strengthen the different levels of the Party? [150 words max]

For the Green Party to grow and flourish, it is crucial to prioritize inclusion and accountability measures. The party needs to actively engage and support its own policies, recognizing and reinforcing its campaign efforts. This unity and drive empower each other and create a solid foundation for legislative creation or reform. Without a united front, the Green Party risks being weak and overshadowed by the Democrats and Republicans. To distinguish ourselves and gain respect, we must take risks and lead by example. We must earn the support of the American citizens and the commonwealth through consistent citizen engagement. When accountability measures are not enforced, it is imperative to remove board members who fail to practice, accommodate, and educate the commonwealth. By embracing these

principles, the Green Party can pave the way for growth, and development, and play a pivotal role in shaping the future of our nation.

9. UNIFYING THE PARTY. The GPUS is a diverse party with chapters in urban, suburban and rural communities. It includes Native Americans, immigrants, black Americans, and white Americans of many different economic levels. It includes LGBTQIA+ people, straight people, unemployed people, retired people, professionals, union members, business owners, and people from many walks of life. What is the vision by which you could be the nominee who receives support from all the diverse members of the Green Party? [120 words max]

The responsibility of every citizen is to practice inclusivity and actively participate in shaping the path and progress of democracy. By empowering the commonwealth and entrusting the strength of democracy into the hands of American citizens, we give value and obligation to the principles upon which our nation was founded. Let us unite in signing petitions, providing Congress with vital data, and demanding transparency in the cost of decisions. This collective action exerts pressure on the House of Representatives to truly represent the needs and aspirations of the commonwealth. As a member of this community, it is my duty to support and enforce the voice of the people, ensuring that our democracy remains a beacon of hope and progress for all. Together, we can drive real change and forge a brighter future.

10. DATA SHARING. After the campaign will you share your email lists and donor lists with the Green Party so that your supporters can be contacted to ask for their continuing support for the Party and its candidates?

☒ Yes ☐ No

11. VOTER REGISTRATION. How are you currently registered to vote (party registration, if applicable)? In which state are you registered?

Green Party - California

12. HISTORY WITH GREEN PARTY. What specific offices or positions, if any, have you held within the Green Party at either the state or local level? If none, describe any instances in which you worked in collaboration with Green Party chapters, groups or candidates.

For the past 13 years, I have successfully embraced green practices in the production of my products. Independently, I have implemented environmental safeguards that not only set an example but also contribute to the Green Party's mission. My products have had a positive impact, particularly for individuals with disabilities, allowing them to maintain a sustainable homework environment and prioritize body hygiene. I urge you to support and follow my lead as I strive to be a role model for responsible and eco-friendly practices.

13. OFFICES SOUGHT OR HELD. For what publicly elected offices have you been a candidate or served? On which public boards or commissions have you served at the local, state, or national level?

I am determined to bring about change in public offices as I have witnessed the incompetence, laziness, and redirection of these officials. I am well aware of the barriers and interference that hinder my own growth and development in such positions. Unlike politicians, I possess a deep understanding of the importance and value of human life, which has been neglected by these individuals. Removing them from their positions is necessary to ensure accountability and proper accommodation and support for the betterment of society.

14. RELEVANT BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE. What other personal background, professional qualifications or life experiences do you have that are relevant to your being an effective GPUS candidate for president? [150 words max]

As an individual representing the Green Party, I possess character traits that enable me to effectively support and embody its values. My ability to triumph over bias and prejudice barriers due to my visual impairment serves as a symbol of resilience and determination. Despite lacking financial support, I successfully established a business, manifesting my belief in myself and higher power. Through my entrepreneurial journey, I have developed and marketed green products that have positively impacted my community, showcasing my imagination and creativity. Moreover, I have displayed mastery in my industry by delivering high-quality and user-friendly products. Although society may present challenges, my relentless efforts and success showcase my ability to overcome obstacles, making me an ideal candidate to represent the Green Party in the commonwealth. By continuously striving for a greener and more inclusive future, I aim to inspire others and contribute to positive change in our society.

15. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. How can members of the public get further information on your campaign (List all that are currently available)?

Website: <https://votejz.org/>

Facebook/MeWe page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094075696125>

Email for questions: jz@votejz.org

Telephone: 559-492-6329

Please attach a digital file containing a photograph of yourself suitable for posting online along with your questionnaire. [A color headshot is recommended.]



SECTION 2

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(FOR PCSC USE – NOT FOR PUBLICATION)

How can we contact you? (This is not for public release.)

☒ Contact me ☐ Contact this person who speaks for me: _____ Info for contact person:

Telephone: (559) 492-6329

Email: jz@votejz.org

Mailing address: 4379 North Chestnut Ave., Fresno City, California, 93726

Do you agree to reply promptly to inquiries from the PCSC when we are seeking information needed to help us complete our business? ☒ Yes ☐ No

[Note: Such inquiries might involve clarifications to your answers to the PCSC questionnaire, inquiries about your ballot status in a state, questions relevant to official party recognition, confirmation that you have not dropped out of the race, confirmation of your participation in a candidate forum, etc.]