

POLICY REGARDING ILGP NON-ELECTORAL ACTIVISM
Adopted by ILGP Executive Committee February 8, 2015

From the earliest days of the Green Party, the party has periodically been involved in causes broader than electoral campaigns. Many members of the ILGP came to the organization through such non-electoral activism. Today, the primary focus of the ILGP is running and supporting Green Party candidates for public office. Since the majority of our efforts are dedicated to electing candidates who will use their positions to enact our values, our participation in non-electoral causes, as a state party, is necessarily limited. However, we continue to encourage members and chapters to independently engage in non-electoral activism, consistent with the 10 Key Values and our electoral goals.

When members would like the ILGP, as a party, to support, endorse or co-sponsor a particular non-electoral cause, petition, coalition or project, they should present the proposal to the Executive Committee. The proposal can be presented by emailing it to the Secretary at ilgpsecretary@gmail.com. If the action is approved, the Secretary or other person(s) designated by the Executive Committee will publicize it by announcing it on the ILGP website, on the Focus email list, newsletter, e-mail blast, on social media, and/or by other means.

Members can also propose that the ILGP express support or opposition to legislative bills. The Coordinating Committee will decide whether to approve the proposal. The proposal can be presented by emailing it to the Secretary at ilgpsecretary@gmail.com. If the proposal is approved, the Secretary or other person(s) designated by the Coordinating Committee will publicize it by announcing it on the ILGP website, on the Focus email list, newsletter, e-mail blast, on social media, and/or by other means.

Members interested in recruiting other members to support a possible action or legislative bill, either before or after action is taken by the Executive Committee or Coordinating Committee, can initiate discussion on the Focus or Talk lists, or on the ILGP Facebook pages.