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Do you support setting a goal for Michigan to transition to 100% renewable electricity by 2050?	Yes
Do you support setting a goal for Michigan to be carbon-neutral by 2050?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	<p>I support these goals as first steps in the right direction -- but we need to do more. Green Party Presidential candidate Howie Hawkins, the "original Green New Dealer", has been running on the platform since 2010. Our #realDeal calls for a WWII-scale national mobilization to halt climate change; creating 20 million jobs by transitioning to 100% clean renewable energy by 2030; and investing in public transit, sustainable (regenerative) agriculture, conservation and restoration of critical infrastructure, including ecosystems.</p> <p>You can see more details on the party's Website at</p> <p>https://www.gp.org/green_new_deal</p> <p>and the campaign's Website at</p> <p>https://howiehawkins.us/ecosocialist-green-new-deal/</p>
Would you support state general funds or other state funding being directed to programs that support communities and workers most impacted by the climate crisis and the transition to renewables, including programs to retrain workers displaced by the transition off fossil fuels?	Yes

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You may elaborate on your position here:	The #realDeal calls for implementing a Just Transition that empowers those communities and workers most impacted by climate change and the transition to a green economy -- and ensures that any worker displaced by the shift away from fossil fuels will receive full income and benefits as they transition to alternative work. The HowieHawkins.us Website has more details -- including budget and job-creation figures.
Do you support the decommissioning of the Line 5 oil pipeline in the Straits of Mackinac?	Yes
Do you oppose the building of a Line 5 oil tunnel under the Great Lakes bottomlands?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	<p>I live in Marshall. We have lots of history in Marshall -- including our history with Enbridge. If we don't remember our history, we're doomed to repeat it.</p> <p>SHUT LINE 5 DOWN.</p> <p>And with the #realDeal, we can do it. See how at:</p> <p>https://howiehawkins.us/the-ecosocialist-green-new-deal-budget/</p>
Do you support lifting the cap on net metering to allow more residents and businesses to participate?	Yes
Do you support returning to net metering, and providing a fairer price to businesses and residents for the solar energy they generate?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	These programs are in accord with at least half of the Green Party's Ten Key Values: Ecological Wisdom, Social Justice, Community-Based Economics, Decentralization, and Sustainability/Future Focus. They also reduce transmission losses and hold down the need for big-project electric generation infrastructure.
Do you support policy that requires utilities to allow customers to build community renewable energy projects with fair rates?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	So should local zoning and building codes, HomeOwners' Association covenants, etc.
Do you support policies to accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs), including EV infrastructure like charging stations?	Yes
Do you support policies and investments of state funds to help local communities and schools switch to electric transit and school buses?	Yes

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Do you support policies and investing state funding to increase non-motorized transportation (like walking and biking) in Michigan communities, and to increase access to public transportation?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	<p>Generating electricity can add an extra layer of inefficiency, and increase or merely displace pollution, not reduce it . . . unless it's done using "non-carbonated" renewable sources that improve "energy return on pollution investment".</p> <p>Our goal should be to use less energy overall -- not make transportation more efficient but wind up encouraging more transportation, more energy use, and more pollution.</p> <p>The Green Party's #GreeningTheDollar program will provide more public funding for state and local infrastructure in transportation among other areas. See our platform on #GreeningTheDollar, just below the national debt plank, at:</p> <p>https://www.gp.org/economic_justice_and_sustainability/#ejNationalDebt</p>
Have you signed the No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	<p>As I did in 2018. (Mind you, I don't take any money from corporations or PACs -- or more than \$100 from anybody.)</p> <p>My 2018 and 2020 #NoFossilFuelMoney pledges can be seen at my campaign Facebook page:</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/jalp4thePeople/photos/a.3541983842519950/3541990982519236/</p>
LAST THING BEFORE YOU GO: Would like to sign up to receive email from Michigan Climate Action Network? We will keep you updated on news about the climate in Michigan, share actions you can take to move the needle, and occasional emails about events to attend.	Yes, Please