Jan 2, 2024 -- "Stop bombing kids" shouldn't be a controversial statement. And it certainly shouldn't cost people their jobs. Yet, this is the reality tech workers are facing when they oppose Israel's war on the people of Gaza.

While investors and tech leaders like Shaun Maguire (Sequoia) [1], Tal Broda (OpenAI) [2], and Matt Ocko (DCVC) [3] post dehumanizing, violent Tweets without repercussions, tech workers are attacked and cancelled by an organized network of pro-Israeli operatives [4] when they speak up for Palestinians.

Tech For Palestine (https://techforpalestine.org) is a loose coalition of over 40 founders, engineers, product, marketers, community builders, investors, and other tech folks. We are launching (https://github.com/techforpalestine) open source projects, tools, and data to help tech people speak up for the Palestinian people and their humanity, and to highlight the inhumanity of investors and tech leaders making angry, vengeful, and genocidal claims about a civilian population.

2.1 million Palestinians in Gaza are currently being attacked and killed by Israel, supported by US taxes and by Joe Biden. 3 million Palestinians live under Israeli military occupation, and 6 million live in the global diaspora, prevented from returning to their homes by Israel. These people are human beings with hopes and dreams and families. South Africa has invoked the "Genocide Convention", but tech leaders and investors continue to dehumanize Palestinians and support the war.

At launch, we are making available:

- a continually updated list of VCs who continue to support Israel's campaign against the people of Gaza, supporting Israel even after they razed Northern Gaza, driving 1.7m people from their homes and into starvation, and killing over 30,000 civilians. This list has been requested by both founders and LPs, including pension funds, GCC funds, and funds-of-funds, to avoid investing in VCs such as Sequoia, who have partners actively supporting the unfolding genocide. Available at https://github.com/TechForPalestine/antipalestinian-vc-funds
- a github shield/badge for engineers to support a ceasefire, available about https://github.com/techforpalestine/badges
- a html snippet for founders and others to add to your website or blog calling for a Ceasefire, available at https://github.com/techforpalestine/palestine-banner

- a website listing Israeli tech companies, and their MENA and international alternatives, so tech workers can stop supporting the economy of war, available at https://israelitechalternatives.com

Tech For Palestine was brought together by Paul Biggar, connecting projects and people who reached out after his viral blog post (https://blog.paulbiggar.com/i-cant-sleep). Projects are run by small, collaborating groups, sharing resources and advice. Volunteers and allies can sign up on our website (https://techforpalestine.org), and collaborate on GitHub (https://github.com/techforpalestine) and Discord (https://techforpalestine.org/discord-invite)

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[1] https://genocide.vc/meet-shaun-maguire/

[2] https://www.ipetitions.com/petition/fire-tal-broda-immediately

[3] https://genocide.vc/matt-ocko-of-dcvc-believes-palestinians-are-sub-human/

[4] https://www.leefang.com/p/inside-the-pro-israel-information