



THE PEOPLE'S CARE AGENDA

LA AGENDA DE CUIDADO DE LOS PUEBLOS



We Must Love and Protect Each Other

Care means looking out for each other. Care is welcoming and supporting new immigrants. Care is taking care of each other in times of disasters. Care is having secure good jobs. Care is protecting social programs that improve the quality of life for all of us.

In this time of authoritarian attacks, care is what we need to thrive in healthy, safe, and vibrant communities.

The Trump administration is targeting our most vulnerable neighbors, tearing families apart, repressing protest and civic engagement, and destroying institutions that support our communities. While we struggle with multiple economic and environmental crises, billionaires are accelerating their takeover of our political systems to privatize our public services. They are wildly profiting from our suffering. They are trying to divide us, yet in the face of these attacks, we must come together to collectively care and protect one another.

We must fight back from the grassroots. We are not afraid. We will not be intimidated. We will love and protect each other.

The People's Care Agenda is a means to defend our communities and democracy. It is the long-term path to resist this unfolding devastation on our people and instead build a resilient future rooted in care, life, and abundance. Together, we can transform our political systems and economies and invest in real community-led solutions at the local, state, and tribal level.

The People's Care Agenda looks like expanding sanctuary city protections; guaranteeing safety nets; investing in schools, healthcare, and good union jobs; and making sure our local elected officials defend our people against racist, sexist, anti-poor, and anti-environment attacks.

We invite organizations and individuals to join the campaign and demand that local governments and elected officials fight for these protections and investments in your community.* Together we can build the momentum, even under difficult circumstances, to shift our resources away from institutions of harm like the military and ICE, towards communities of care that meet all people's needs.

Join us to fight to protect each other and build healthy, resilient communities that care for all.

Defending Our Communities and Institutions

Care is stopping militarism and state violence in our cities and neighborhoods. Care is putting public resources into social infrastructure that improves our quality of life, such as investing in green and healthy schools instead of allowing ICE onto campuses. It looks like creating truly safe, affordable housing instead of building more military and police installations. Care looks like cities refusing to cooperate with federal forces attacking our communities. Fighting for these protections will allow us to live without constant fear of our families being torn apart, as we build a truly just economy rooted in care and life.

1. Make our cities and communities welcoming and safe for all people.

- End all local government collusion and data sharing with federal agencies that target communities, including ICE, CBP, FBI, and the national guard. Keep the military and federal agencies out of local law enforcement.
- Refuse military, ICE, and federal enforcement presence in spaces that serve our communities, such as schools, campuses, hospitals, community centers, transit and transit centers, parks, and local businesses.
- Fund public programs for vulnerable systems-impacted communities, including, but not limited to immigrants, unhoused people, LGBTQ people, disabled people, and people impacted by climate, militarism, and mass incarceration.
- Stop the criminalization of democratic protest, repeal anti-protest legislation, and protect people's right to all forms of civic engagement.
- Expand policies to protect non-profit organizations and institutions that care for and serve our communities.
- Decriminalize and sustain resources that support mental health, reproductive, and gender-affirming care.

2. Divest from local and international militarism spending and stop state and vigilante attacks on our communities.

- Divest local public funds from corporations profiting from militarism and extraction, including [Israel bonds](#), weapons corporations, and fossil fuels.
- [Close and remediate military and police installations or property](#), including immigration detention facilities, and transition where possible into resilient community uses, based on the local community's assessment.
- End military equipment transfers and training of police by militaries. End police use of AI, drones, and other racist surveillance equipment.
- Demilitarize local climate disaster preparedness and response to reduce harm to vulnerable people in crisis.

Nurturing Care and Resilience

Protecting our neighbors and neighborhoods also means building infrastructures of care and resilience. In the face of crises, our communities have proven solutions to care for each other,

prepare for and respond to disasters, and build healthy neighborhoods and economies that sustain life. In the aftermath of climate disasters, community members activate mutual aid networks to share resources, while organizations build resilience hubs with supplies ready for the next crisis. Expanding resilient infrastructures and workforces will not only reduce the negative effects of crises but also improve the long-term quality of life for millions of people.

1. Expand local infrastructure and social safety nets to improve our ability to withstand disasters.

- Invest in building long-term, just disaster response and recovery networks and services through the creation of local care and resilience workforces that provide high-paying union jobs for underemployed communities.
- Expand community-governed and resilient infrastructure, including community resilience hubs, green public housing, cooperative businesses, community land trusts, and [Indigenous land ownership and stewardship](#).
- Fund the construction and retrofitting of infrastructure, including homes, hospitals, schools, community centers, public transportation, renewable energy infrastructure, and green space.
- Create community-controlled disaster recovery and relief funds, including direct cash assistance to people impacted by disasters and other crises.
- Protect communities from displacement in the aftermath of disasters. Protect their [right to return](#), settle in new communities, and receive fair compensation for losses.

2. Invest in good union jobs that build safe and resilient neighborhoods.

- Create well-paid, high-quality, and permanent union jobs for underemployed communities to construct resilient infrastructure and provide culturally responsive mental and physical health care for people before, during, and after disasters.
- Invest in new and existing workforce development programs that build disaster resilience infrastructure and create a non-militarized emergency response.
- Create pathways to transition workers from industries of harm and militarized jobs to high-quality jobs in care and green sectors.
- End prison and slave labor, and ensure job opportunities for people who are formerly or currently incarcerated.
- Improve working conditions for all workers through local government-mandated paid [family care, medical](#), safety, and disaster leave, and protection of workers' right to organize.

Take Action With Us

Join us to fight to protect our neighbors and each other, and to build healthy and resilient communities that care for all:

- If you are a grassroots or ally organization: [Endorse the Agenda and join the campaign](#)
- If you are an individual: [Sign-up to stay up-to-date](#) about the People's Care Agenda campaign actions to come!

***Assuring Strong standards and guardrails**

All Care and Protect local policies, programs and investments should strive for long-term community control and oversight over how policies are implemented and investments are spent. They should prioritize investment and jobs for underinvested and underemployed communities, and communities on the frontlines of pollution, climate disaster, displacement, criminalization and the harmful impacts of militarized activity. Programs should be accessible to all, regardless of one's immigration or incarceration status. They should be non-militarized and non-carceral to reduce further harm to communities.

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Endorsements

The People's Care Agenda is endorsed by the following organizations,
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18 Million Rising	CODEPINK
About Face: Veterans Against the War *	Cooperation Jackson *
Action Center on Race & the Economy	CURYJ *
Activist San Diego *	DARE Direct Action for Rights and Equality*
Adalah Justice Project	Detention Watch Network
Beyond The Bars	Dissenters *
Black Alliance for Just Immigration (BAJI)	Dream Defenders
Center for Constitutional Rights	DRUM - Desis Rising Up & Moving *
Center for Third World Organizing	Familias Unidas en Acción *
Central Florida Jobs with Justice *	Feminist Generation *
Centro Cultural de México *	Florida Immigrant Coalition *
Chinese Progressive Association *	Freedom to Thrive *
Climate and Community Institute	Freedom, Inc.
Climate Critical	Grassroots International
Climate Justice Alliance	

Indigenous Environmental Network *

Jewish Voice for Peace

Just Solutions

Just Transition Alliance *

Justice Is Global

Lavender Phoenix

MADRE

Micronesia Climate Change Alliance *

Movement for Black Lives

Movimiento Poder *

Mujeres Unidas y Activas *

Mujeres, Cuerpos y Territorios - Venezuela

Muslim Counterpublics Lab

Muslims for Just Futures

National Priorities Project at the Institute for Policy Studies

Pakistan Fisherfolk Forum

Parable of the Sower *

Peace Development Fund

People Organizing to Demand Environmental & Economic Rights (PODER) *

Philly Black Worker Project *

Physicians for Social Responsibility

Power U Center For Social Change

Progressive Technology Project

Public Citizen

Pueblo Action Alliance *

Rainforest Action Network (RAN) *

Resource Generation

Right to the City Alliance

Rising Majority

Showing Up for Racial Justice

SISTA Fire

Solidaire Action

Southern Maine Workers' Center *

Stop Torture RI Coalition

Sunrise Movement

Texas Environmental Justice Advocacy Services *

US Campaign for Palestinian Rights

Women Cross DMZ

Women Working Together USA *

Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO)

* Grassroots Global Justice Alliance member organizations