

MEET THE 26th DISTRICT GREEN TEAM

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The Morris County Green Party has been active since 2003, focusing on issues such as property tax reform, affordable housing, environmental stewardship, support of locally owned businesses, and the building of stronger communities through grass-roots activism. We are a chapter of the Green Party of New Jersey, and affiliated with the Green Party of the United States. The Green Party has chapters in every county and on many college campuses. We nominate progressive candidates for local, regional, state, and national offices while fighting for an open electoral system. Because the Green Party does not accept money from corporations, the involvement of local volunteers is the foundation for our success.

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Matt - Mike
NORTON SPECTOR

For State Assembly

*26th District Green Team**

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Lincoln Park Montville Morris Plains
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TEN KEY GREEN VALUES

- **Ecological Wisdom.** National and local policies must realize an ecological balance between man and nature.
- **Social Justice.** All persons should be allowed to benefit equally from the opportunities and resources afforded to society as a whole.
- **Grassroots Democracy.** Direct participation between citizens and government.
- **Decentralization.** Power and responsibility restored to local communities within a framework of ecologically sound, socially just values.
- **Community Based Economics.** Extreme disparities in personal wealth and concentrated control is inherently undemocratic.
- **Feminism.** Gender should not be a basis for discrimination nor for role typecasting.
- **Respect for Diversity.** Restoring this country's finest ideals: popular democracy, the dignity of the individual, and liberty and justice for all.
- **Personal and Global Responsibility.** Personal and community commitments based on sufficiency and living lightly upon the Earth.
- **Future Focus/Sustainability.** Actions and policies guided toward long term sustainability, not short term profits.
- **Non-Violence.** Promoting cooperation and understanding between communities and world peace among nations.

CURRENT INITIATIVES

Highlands Water Protection Act- Passed into law in August 2004, in order to protect the drinking water of over 5.4 million people, as well as preserving dwindling open space and natural diversities. The act is under fire from building and development firms whose interests are tied to the development of the Highlands region. We support the Highlands Water Protection Act, and the health and enjoyment of all who benefit from it.

Pay-to-Play- Contractor money paid for political favors breeds corruption on all levels of government, and has a negative impact on society as a whole. We must ensure that our elected officials put the needs of our communities before the needs of those in positions of power and influence.

Alternative Energy Sources- A shift from a carbon based fuel economy to a more sustainable energy source is vital to the future of our world. We support scientists, researchers, companies, and foundations who work to make a variety of sustainable energy sources available to the public in a cost effective and ecologically friendly way.

Property Tax Relief- More than half of property taxes go toward public education. We propose to have education expenses paid for by a separate, progressive state-wide tax. thus decreasing the property tax burden on those who can least afford it.

Open Space Preservation- Full funding for all state preservation efforts. We support the initiative for the Garden State Preservation fund appearing on the November ballot.

War In Iraq- Bring the troops home now! The illegal, immoral war has cost New Jersey more than 20 billion: money that could have repaired our infrastructure and prevented privatization of our roadways.

Universal Health Insurance- Single-payer health insurance coverage for all, including full coverage for prescription drugs.

Living Wage- Not a minimum wage, but a wage to provide a reasonable standard of living that would help take more than 12,000,000 American children out of poverty.

End Abuse of Eminent Domain- Stop the theft of homes and businesses for the benefit of private developers.

Voting Integrity- Enact laws setting stringent standards for voting methods, insuring integrity and accountability, including paper trails

Workers Rights- The right to form or join a union without interference, intimidation, or fear of reprisal

Discrimination and Profiling- We call for an end of discrimination based on race, religion, gender, ethnic background or sexual orientation. We support full marriage rights for gays and whoever else wants to be married.

Drop The Trade Treaties- (NAFTA,GATT,CAFT) Preserve US jobs, protect our workers from outsourcing and prevent environmental destruction.

Public Election Campaign Financing- Enact a true clean money law for candidates who reject private/corporate contributions.

Freedom of the Media- Break the stranglehold the corporations have on the media. We must have access to alternative points of view. Protect Internet neutrality.

Legalize Medical Marijuana- While drug companies grow rich, simple solutions for alleviating pain are ignored and criminalized.