

Thursday, March 20 at 12:00 EDT

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2024/2025 Chair: Mohammad

2024/2025 Co-chair: Erin

AGENDA

Members shown in bold are present:

- GISCorps CC: **Shoreh, Wincy, Konrad, Erin, Katie, Bhanu, Mohammad, Monicque, John**
- **Advisory Board: Dianne, Allen, Carol, German, Holly**
- **GPN (formerly URISA): Wendy, Christina**
- **Program Coordinator: Megan**

Regrets are not bolded.

Approval of [February Minutes](#)

- **Motion: John**
- **Second: Wincy**
- **Vote: Yes**

New Core Committee Members: Shoreh

- We need additional members as Jeff stepped down in late 2024 and Konrad is stepping down this month. Megan sent an email to all GC volunteers and FOGs and 15 candidates have expressed an interest as of 3/16. The deadline for applications is March 28th. After that, we will go through applications and schedule interviews. Please review the candidates at your convenience.
- Before the 28th, Megan will create a Google Sheet for CC members to make notes and vote
- We would like to have shortlist finalized one week after close, so 4/4
- Thank you, Konrad!!!! ❤️-Megan will work on Konrad's close out closer to the end of the month

Monthly Financial Report

End of January 2025 Financial Report: Shoreh

- Total expenses in January 2025:\$706.97, YTD: \$706.97, since 2003: \$282,551.79.
 - Program Coordinator: \$556.25.00, MailChimp: \$149.60, Credit card fees: \$1.12.
- Total [contributions](#) in January 2025: \$25.00. YTD: \$25.00 since 2003: \$426,091.42.
 - Craig Austin: \$25.00.
- Total balance as of the end of January 2025: \$143,539.63.
- The 3-Year budget will be discussed next month.

Marketing activities: Shoreh & Megan

- **Social media graphics:** Alex Lopez-Rogina of the Marketing team designed a series of graphics. New graphics are saved [in this folder](#); typo on social media giving level graphic (first slide)
- Megan and Shoreh met and came up with a strategy. Megan will start working on it soon (working on drafting some social media language and collecting some info from MailChimp).
- **Leading fundraising ideas/activities:**

- **Action item:** No one has stepped forward to lead this effort.
- **Advisory Committee**
 - **Update to strategic plan: Dianne**
 - Nothing to update
 - If we are required to submit our Strategic Plan, either Shoreh or the CC Chair will be advised to do so - probably at the Committee Coordination meeting.
- **Technical Updates - Megan**
 - **Google Workspace (AKA GSuite)**
 - No major updates
 - **[Mission Control spreadsheet](#) and [Core Committee Internal Site](#)**
 - Please make sure that you are entering all of the information correctly on the Active Missions tab
 - **Mailchimp**
 - No major updates
 - **[Website](#)**
 - No major updates
 - **ArcGIS**
 - No major updates

- **GIS Service Pledge (GSP): Wincy**

- Activity since February 20:

	Last 4 weeks	Previous 4-week period
Applications Received	0	2
Applications Approved	0	1
Applications Rejected	0	1
Reports Posted on Website	0	0
Reports Now Due/Overdue	28	28

- Cumulative program totals:
 - Total Applicants: **101**
 - In progress: **1**
 - Approved Participants: **69**
 - Rejections/Invalid/pending applications: **31**
 - Withdrawals: **6**
 - Reports submitted: **33 (took one down)**
 - Countries represented: **13**
- [Tracking spreadsheet](#)

Communications: Megan

- Since last meeting:
 - New Project announcements
 - [399 - South Carolina Breastfeeding Coalition \(John\)](#)
 - Completed Project reports:
 - None
- Upcoming publications:
 - Upcoming website reports
 - New Project announcements:
 - 401 - Phreatic Organisation ApS (Mohammad)
 - Anticipating new PAM announcements
 - Completed Project reports:
 - None
- Reminder that you need to send publicity forms both the PA and volunteer at the launch of a mission - this ensures that I have permission to post about the project on social media

Social media outreach activity since **February 20:**

	Followers/Members			Original Posts	
	Current	At last meeting	Change	Last 4 weeks	Previous 4-week period
Twitter	3,523	3,544	+0%	0	1
Instagram	1,317	1,303	+0%	0	3
Facebook Page	958	953	+1%	0	3
Facebook Group	936	938	+0%	5	16
LinkedIn Page	3,517	3,480	+2%	0	0
LinkedIn Group	1,549	1,543	+0%	2	1
Bluesky	24	19	+0%	0	0

Outreach will pick up now that we have new project posts!



GISCorps Mission Statistics

Missions 368 Launched	Missions 3 In Progress	Volunteer 3,121 Positions Filled
Missions 362 Completed		Hours 101,377 Volunteered

Deployment news (launched, ongoing, new): [Mission Control Spreadsheet](#) - from most recent to the oldest project. For missions with more than one CCPM, the lead CCPM will be responsible for updating on that mission. This means that the lead will be responsible for updating the mission under their name and copying and pasting that update to their co-CCPMs and removing the highlight in the mission under their co-lead's name.

Shoreh

- **The Protected Area Management Solution (PAM) Partnership with Esri/NatGeo: Shoreh/Megan**
 - So far we have received requests from five organizations but three others have only filled out the first form. Megan has contacted all of those who have not filled out the second form and has provided them with the link to the second form. The details are entered [in this sheet](#).
 - **South Africa - BGR:** Recruitment is underway (see below, project 402)
 - **Madagascar - Manondroala:** met with the PA; we are currently waiting on the PA for additional details.
 - **South Africa - Selati Wilderness Foundation:** call scheduled for Sun., Mar. 30 at 12 PM ET
 - **Kenya - Grevy's Zebra Trust:** call scheduled for Sat., Apr. 5 at 12 PM ET
 - **Rwanda - Rwanda Wildlife Conservation Association:** Megan working on scheduling
 - Copy of the [executed funding agreement](#). The latest version of the Charter is [posted here](#). The PAM AGO can be accessed [from here](#).
- **JusticeWise:**
 - The PA informed us that the data for the original project won't be available but they might come back to us with another project. The new projects may involve creating a web app that contains various points of interests for migrants.
- **402 - Babanango Game Reserve ([PAM-BGR](#)) - Shoreh/Mohammad (Updated Mar 18)**
 - PA meeting on Mar 9
 - JD has been prepared and approved
 - Recruitment email was sent out on Tuesday

Konrad

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Wincy

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Bhanu

Mohammad

- **401 - [Phreatic](#) (Updated Mar 18)**
 - Recruitment has been completed
 - Kickoff meeting on Sunday Mar 23
- **402 - Babanango Game Reserve ([PAM-BGR](#)) - Shoreh/Mohammad (Updated Mar 18)**
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John

- **399 - South Carolina Breastfeeding Coalition (John)**
 - Meet with Team members on 3/17- They are making good progress, communicating well. Have a S123 to consolidate all the various spreadsheets to create a system of record and the PA can approve before going to a public facing map. Created a Public health clinic map and hope to get the first draft of a web map within the next 2 weeks. They are on track to get everything finished by May. The PA is happy with everything.

Disaster Response - Erin, Katie, and Monicque

- **Disaster Response Subcommittee: Erin**
 - [Disaster Response SOPM](#) (In progress)
 - Current plan to activate only when the NRCC activates
 - [NAPSG Monthly Meeting Notes](#)
 - March Update:
 - March meeting cancelled due to the Admin meeting
- **400 - 2025 PhotoMapper Admin Team**
 - Standing Admin Project
 - Annual Admin meet up is this Friday @8 pm Eastern
 - Recruitment sent out to 3 potential new admins

Other business:

- **Esri AGO renewal:** Shoreh worked with Emily on the renewal
- **Esri UC 2025:** Megan is able to attend :)
 - Shoreh will contact Emily to find out about the sustainable world forum and also about our annual presentation
 - Mohammad and Katie are trying to attend
- **[Esri FedGIS Conference \(Feb 24-26\): Shoreh/Konrad](#)**
 - On February 25th, Konrad gave a presentation about GISCorps in a session titled as "[GIS For Good](#)"; the session was very well received 😊

- **NAPSG suggestion to participate in webinar (1 hours): Shoreh/Megan**
 - Climate and Community Resiliency effort with NAPSG/GPN
 - Megan has contacted three volunteers; one has declined and we have not heard back from the other two.
 - Presentation will be 60 minutes:
 - Shoreh will speak 10-15 minutes about GC, two volunteers will speak 10-15 minutes each, and then 10 minutes for Q/A
- **GPN Committee Coordination Meeting: Shoreh/Mohammad**
 - We will participate in this quarterly meeting. No meetings since last month.
 - Shoreh will send an email to Wendy and CC Dianne to get a better understanding of what is happening with this meeting
- **Volunteer Awards for 2024: Megan**
 - It is time to finalize the list of volunteer awards for volunteers that completed projects in 2024
 - We nominate 2 exceptional volunteers and up to 10 outstanding volunteers. Of the exceptional volunteers, one is DR and one is standard
 - Currently [see list here](#)
- **Documentation: Megan**
 - Made updates (many of them minor) to these docs:
 - None
 - Reference Document Directory
 - No major updates
- **Geospatial Professional Network update - Christina Brunsvold, 2024-2026 Board Liaison**
 - Annual Committee Report:
 - <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/189fbe41814b40a585781e6245a8224b?portalUrl=https://urisa.maps.arcgis.com>
 - Should be filled out to document the accomplishments from the prior year.
 - Could use assistance with filling out the form (Shoreh can assist)
 - GIS Leadership Academy:
 - 2025 dates:
 - Chicago, IL - June 16-20
 - Savannah, GA - December 8-12
 - Advanced GLA: *November 3-7, 2025 in New Orleans*
 - CalGIS Conference: April 14-16, 2025 - Sonoma County, CA
 - CalURISA (GPN) would like to host a silent auction for GISCorps at the conference
 - GIS-Pro 2025: October 6-9, 2025 in Denver, CO
 - Call for presentations is open
 - Committee is working in GISCorps silent auction
 - Upcoming Webinars:
 - Understanding Social Risk in Community Resilience [POSTPONED]
 - New date coming soon
 - Vanguard Cabinet presents: Mappy Q&A, charting your path in the GIS industry
 - Tuesday, March 25th at 5:00 PM ET/4:00 PM CT/3:00 PM MT/2:00 PM PT
 - Excellence in GIS: City of Frisco, Texas: SAFER (Situational Awareness For Emergency Response)

- Friday, March 28, 2025 at 3:00 PM EST/2:00 PM CST/1:00 PM MST/12:00 PM PST
 - Excellence in GIS: King County, Washington
 - Friday, April 25th at 3:00 PM EST/2:00 PM CST/1:00 PM MST/12:00 PM PST
- **GPN update - Wendy**
 - GPN newsletter, started GISCorps project column featured every other month
 - Link to most recent issue:
https://cdn.ymaws.com/thegpn.org/resource/resmgr/documents/resources/gis_professional/gpn_jan-feb_2025.pdf
 - If there's a project we'd like to feature, send it to Wendy; otherwise, she will pick off website
 - Wendy will order table runner for GISCorps with new branding and mail to whoever needs it next
 - Working on scheduling webinar with Tari Martin and volunteers in May

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 pm EST

Next call: Thursday, April 17, 2025 at noon EDT