

Thursday, May 15 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, **Erin, Bhanu, Mohammad, John, Brigit, Jessica**
- **Advisory Board:** Dianne, Allen, Carol, German, Holly, **Katie**
- **GPN:** Wendy, **Christina**
- **Program Coordinator:** Megan

Regrets are not bolded.

Approval of [April Minutes](#)

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

**New Core Committee & Advisory Committee Members:** Shoreh

Approval of Jessica Vargas joining the Core Committee

Introduction: Jessica

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

Approval of Katie Picchione joining the Advisory Committee

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

## Monthly Financial Report

**End of March 2025 Financial Report: Shoreh**

- Total expenses in March 2025: \$1,928.77, YTD: \$4,535.67, since 2003: \$286,380.49.
  - Program Coordinator: \$1,750.00, MailChimp: \$149.60, Shipping fee: \$25.97, .Credit card fees: \$3.20
- Total [contributions](#) in March 2025: \$100.00. YTD: \$150.00 since 2003: \$426,216.42.
  - Kelly Suttles: \$100.00.
- Total balance as of the end of March 2025: \$139,835.93.
  - **A correction was made to last month's financial report.**

**Marketing activities:** Megan

- Megan still needs to update the donation page with the new giving levels and send out the donation email. She will do it this coming month once the newsletter has gone out and once the onboarding of new CC members is complete (it's been a very busy month!). She can also put something about them in the newsletter.

- **Advisory Committee**

- **Update to strategic plan: Dianne**
  - Nothing to update

- **Technical Updates - Megan**

- **Google Workspace (AKA GSuite)**
  - No major updates
- [Mission Control spreadsheet](#) and [Core Committee Internal Site](#)
  - No major updates
- **Mailchimp**
  - No major updates
- [Website](#)
  - No major updates
- ArcGIS
  - None

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

- Activity since April 17:

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

- Cumulative program totals:
  - Total Applicants: **102**
  - In progress: **2**
  - Approved Participants: **70**
  - 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
    - [402 - Babanango Game Reserve \(PAM-BGR\)](#) (Shoreh/Mohammad)
    - [406 - Selati Game Reserve \(PAM-SGR\)](#) (Shoreh/Mohammad)
    - [407 - Lemur Conservation Foundation \(PAM-LCF\)](#) (Shoreh/Mohammad)
    - [409 - Rwanda Wildlife Conservation Association \(PAM-RWCA\)](#) (Shoreh/Mohammad)
  - Completed Project reports:
    - None
- Upcoming publications:
  - Upcoming website reports
    - New Project announcements:
      - Anticipating new PAM announcements
    - Completed Project reports:
      - PhotoMappers 2025 disaster response projects page (since there was a launch in April)
- **Newsletter going out at the end of May. Please keep that in mind when preparing posts. Also, we don't need another volunteer profile, but it would be nice to have**

Social media outreach activity since **April 17**:

	Followers/Members			Original Posts	
	Current	At last meeting	Change	Last 4 weeks	Previous 4-week period
<a href="#">Twitter</a>	3,512	3,512	+0%	0	0
<a href="#">Instagram</a>	1,337	1,317	+0%	1	0
<a href="#">Facebook Page</a>	983	971	+1%	2	3
<a href="#">Facebook Group</a>	939	937	+0%	5	5
<a href="#">LinkedIn Page</a>	3,668	3,548	+2%	3	2
<a href="#">LinkedIn Group</a>	1,560	1,553	+0%	3	2
<a href="#">Bluesky</a>	31	27	+0%	3	3



## GISCorps Mission Statistics

Missions <b>375</b> Launched	<b>Missions</b>  <b>8</b>  <b>In Progress</b>	Volunteer <b>3,139</b> Positions Filled
Missions <b>363</b> Completed		Hours <b>103,510</b> 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/Mohammad/Bhanu**
  - So far, we have met with five African organizations (PAM partners) and have launched four projects and plan to kick off the last project on 5/17. Our extremely qualified volunteers for these five projects come from the US (3 of them), Canada, and Netherlands. Further details are entered [in this sheet](#).
    - **402 - Babanango Game Reserve ([PAM-BGR](#)) - Shoreh/Mohammad**
      1. A volunteer has been selected and the project has been launched. Kickoff Meeting on May 4th. ([Web Story](#)).
        - a. The funds to cover travel expenses have been advanced to the volunteer.
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        - a. We are working on granting access to ArcGIS Pro to the volunteer via the GSP program.
    - Charter is [posted here](#). The PAM AGO can be accessed [from here](#).
  - We have been providing a [monthly summary](#) to Natgeo and Esri representatives.

## Wincy

- **408 - TechSoup**
  - Recruitment closes May 15.

## Bhanu

- **403 - Grevy's Zebra Trust ([PAM-GZT](#)) - Shoreh & Bhanu**
  - A volunteer has been selected and the kickoff meeting is scheduled for 5/17.

## Mohammad (Updated May 11)

- **401 - [Phreatic](#) - Mohammad**
  - Discussion around Need Assessment is going on
  - The PA is exposed to the capabilities of AGO
  - Both parties are happy with the progress
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## John

- **399 - South Carolina Breastfeeding Coalition - John**
  - Shoreh and I met with the team earlier this month to discuss extending the project to June to get input and thoughts to be able to finish up the final analysis component. The volunteer is finishing up the app and documentation and sending it to the PA for review. The volunteer has been reviewing literature for geographic analysis for the index they want to create for the food desert.
- **403 - 4-H 2025 - John**
  - Students are working on the maps and the volunteers are starting to submit their drafts to the volunteers for initial feedback. They are working on scheduling the one on ones for the first week in June. Everything is still going well according to the timeline that was set up.
- **410 - FoodBank of Central and Eastern North Carolina - John & Brigit & Jessica**
  - Met with the Partner Agency and we sent them the Job description for review. We are hoping to send it out tonight (5/15) with the volunteer response deadline by 5/29/2025. Interviews will start shortly after that.

## Brigit

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## Jessica

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## Disaster Response - Erin

- **Disaster Response Subcommittee: Erin**
  - [Disaster Response SOPM](#) (In progress)
  - Current plan to activate only when the NRCC activates
  - [NAPSG Monthly Meeting Notes](#)
  - May Update:
    - Monthly NAPSG Meeting was cancelled for May.
    - Currently accepting applications for the 2 open DR spots. They've been compiled and we will be voting on them so we can set up some interviews.
- **400 - 2025 PhotoMapper Admin Team**
  - Standing Admin Project
- **404 - April Severe Weather (Done/needs to be removed)**
  - 366 photos over the course of a few days
  - Mostly Admin project, but did open it up to a few regular PhotoMappers

## Other business:

- **Esri UC 2025: Shoreh**
  - Emily provided details on GC related activities.
    - Annual meeting will be held on Wednesday 7/16 at noon
    - We will have a kiosk at (will provide material for the kiosk in coming weeks):
      - The Map Gallery
      - GIS for Good showcase
        - a. Submitted the request on 5/14
        - b. Graphics are due on 5/23
    - Will present at the non-profit SIG on Thursday 7/17
    - Will present at Disaster Response Spotlight (exact date TBD)
- **NAPSG suggestion to participate in webinar (1 hours): Megan**
  - Took place on May 7 at 3 PM ET
  - Shoreh Elhami, Rachel George (Oracabessa Phase 2), Samantha Olivieri (4-H) and Meredith Lowden (4-H) participated. Megan and Erin helped answer questions in the chat.

- 60 minute presentation, it went well! A lot of follow up questions from attendees at the end wanting more details on volunteering.
- **GPN Committee Coordination Meeting: Shoreh/Mohammad**
  - Shoreh and Mohammad attended the meeting
- **Volunteer Awards for 2024: Megan**
  - Final list of awardees was sent to Wendy for approval by the GPN board
- **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**
  - In-person Board meeting this weekend (May 16-17)
  - GIS Leadership Academy:
    - 2025 dates:
      - Chicago, IL - June 16-20
      - Savannah, GA - December 8-12
    - Advanced GLA: *November 3-7, 2025 in New Orleans*
  - GIS-Pro 2025: October 6-9, 2025 in Denver, CO
    - In-person planning meeting this weekend (May 17-18), program will be out shortly thereafter
    - Committee is working in GISCorps silent auction
  - Learning Annex is now LIVE.
    - Can do on demand webinars
    - Adding more content as well
  - Upcoming Webinars:
    - Understanding Social Risk in Community Resilience [POSTPONED]
      - New date coming soon
- **GPN update - Wendy**
  - Unable to attend

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm EST

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**Next call:** Thursday, June 19 2025 at noon EDT