



## Peoples Parallel Governance Systems

<http://Peoples.ParallelGov.org>

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### **Introduction:**

All across the world our governments are failing us. It is time to start re-thinking what governments are supposed to do and how they could potentially represent people in a more fair and direct way. That is where Peoples Parallel Governance Systems come in. Our goal is to support citizens anywhere in the world, to create any type of parallel governance body.

The entire People's Communications system can be created at the Glocal level, with State, and local parallel decision making bodies, and to create a system of people's communication across the World. Currently the United Nations does not support communication between people across the world, it only supports communication between Nation States, and the special interests of Nation states, not the people within those nations To best explain our work, we are going to use the United States Legislature as an example.

In the United States, the Congress currently has a 7-12% approval rating, we can do better than that with our eyes closed. The United States People's Parallel Congress will actually be for the People, of the People, by the People, without lobbyists or direct corporate / business influence. The Peoples Parallel Congress, unlike the current official United States Congress would have...

- No Lobbyists
- No Corporate or Business influence or representation
- No decision making or voting based on Money
- No direct Elite influence or indirect influence from the 0.0000...0001%
- No influence from Big Banks, Weapons Manufacturers, Wall Street, Big Oil, Big Pharma, Big Telecommunications, Big Internet etc....

The People's Parallel Congress will be Non-partisan, any party affiliation can be involved, and any actual person Can Vote for representatives (including Elites, but that is the only way the richest of the rich and most powerful can be involved). Elected or Appointed Representatives must step down from 0.0000...0001% Elite influenced Jobs, and be pre-automatically recused from any decision that is a conflict of interest with their current or previous personal job or income, as well as other life activities including political activities, affiliations and campaigns.

Additionally all communication, not just voting, must be documented and done in public NOT behind closed doors. Overall the idea of People's Parallel Governance Systems can be done at the national level of any country (either congresses or parliaments), as well as the global level, or any other level of government.

Although we use the United States as an example, this type of parallel decision making body can be done for any country and at any level, including globally either as a people's congress, people's parliament, or other structure.

Why go to all the Trouble to create such a body that has no constitutional or governmental power?

There are at least five simple and very important reasons to do this.

1. **Corporations do not have the same interests as people!** People and corporations fundamentally have separate interests. The only overlap is that people need jobs and corporations provide them, but even this positive relationship is now ending because corporations are laying people off in mass, and replacing them with machines to increase profits. Therefore we need a place where only people and

their needs are represented outside of any corporate or big money interests.

2. **Communication between actual People:** We believe the primary purpose of government legislatures is communication between everyday people across a nation. Without communication between normal people it is impossible to make decisions, pass laws or bills on behalf of people. Currently most governments are better at providing communication between Big money, lobbyists, and corporate interests than having basic communication between normal everyday people.
3. **Comparative Analysis and Data:** The People's Parallel Congress will vote on every bill, law, or proposal that the official congress votes on, and overtime the voting record of the People's Parallel Congress can be compared to the votes of the existing official United States Congress to analyze and compare, and then educate the people about the difference of a Congress for, by and of the People, and a Congress for, by, and of the influential rich, corporate, lobbyists.
4. **Training Ground for possible future representative candidates:** The People's Parallel Congress will be a place where people can get experience making government decisions which is great way to get the training you need to become a good representative when you actually are elected.
5. **Slate of Peoples Candidates who run against the real Congress:** Everyone within the National People's Parallel Congresses will run as a single national slate and national campaign every two years against the existing Congress. By running a huge national campaign, we can be much more successful than running 100's of fragmented and unfunded local campaigns.

### **How to Get Involved:**

Our primary focus currently is getting people to sign up as volunteer representatives. To be a representative you simply need to agree to represent people, and only people, and not be influenced by special interests including money, as best as possible. From there you will eventually need to run for congress (on a no money campaign - so it wont cost anything), or you will simply have to step down after

someone else is elected. If your not sure if you qualify based on your job, or other positions, but are interested in getting involved, simply be honest and tell us your about what influences you have that could potentially be a conflict of interest. Then for those types of votes you will simply not be allowed to vote because of your conflict of interest. To volunteer as a representative sign up using this form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1f1R8TLyYrncPkAtdJ5SCsdsQyV31m57V72xUBwltOZM/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1f1R8TLyYrncPkAtdJ5SCsdsQyV31m57V72xUBwltOZM/viewform?usp=send_form)

From there the next step is to help us actually create the structure and systems of the Peoples Parallel Congress and Governance systems. We have created a very detailed questionnaire with all of the possible types of structures we would want to consider having as part of our systems. If you have the time, please take a look, and there is no need to finish the whole thing at once, you can just answer a few questions and come back to do more later. Here is the Structure Input Form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1J3LiljPgQRQM\\_nN\\_4ai5IHI3tcwKN6-ERp5QobNxWxc/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1J3LiljPgQRQM_nN_4ai5IHI3tcwKN6-ERp5QobNxWxc/viewform?usp=send_form)

More detailed information and discussion visit the People's Parallel Congress Main Pad: <http://wctc.titanpad.com/PeoplesParrallelGovernance>

### **Purpose, Goals, Legal Status, and Definitions:**

The United States People's Parallel Congress exists as part of the Unity Network, and is legally a program of the Governance Evolution Project (GEP) PAC which is a registered Political Committee with the purpose of experimenting and understanding new different Governance Systems. Our work focuses on enacting and learning from our experimental Parallel Governance Systems, and brining constructive proposals into our existing Government Systems to enact change. Our goal is to creatively experiment with new representative systems in a way that is safe, easy and flexible, as opposed to the slow, rigid and stuck governments we are trying

to fix. We want to increase communication between normal everyday people, and help influence existing Government institutions to support people having more power within existing government. It is important to emphasize that the US People's Parallel Congress is NOT attempting or encouraging "Parallel Government", instead we are practicing and experimenting with new representative models and using it as comparison and influence into existing Government systems that need to be updated and evolved. When we talk about "Gov" we always mean "Governance" Systems, not actual Government which is legally bound to represent people and nations. Our legal status is simply a Non-Partisan Political Committee that supports a variety of candidates to run in the existing political system. In essence we function as a political multi-party platform for the reduction of money in elections and for representatives to focus on representing people. We are successful only if the people themselves pressure existing candidates and government institutions. (Note in a parliamentary system based on parties, we most likely would have to become our own party or join into an existing party, or allow many different parties get involved, as long as they have no special interests, especially big money.)

Governance is a theory and concept and does not in any way represent a government organization or has any intention to do so. Currently the Unity Network is helping set up "sand Box" practice and experimental governance systems. Once enacted these experimental "Sand Box" institutions can be used by people and government as applicable, but if people and / or government institutions wanted to institute them they would do so outside of the Unity Network and create them within the framework of existing governments and humanity itself, at that point they would no longer be "Parallel" and also NOT be within the Unity related projects or programs.

What we are Not? We are not a Parallel Government as is defined as a representative body that is declaring sovereign self-rule. The Goal of a Parallel Government is independent sovereignty. As part of the Unity Network we function on the principle of interdependence and interconnection and striving towards consensus, and therefore we respect and uphold the existing law, no matter how flawed, and our goal is to influence and change the existing government systems, not bypass them.

Nevertheless, because we use “Parallel” in our name, we are as close to being a Parallel Government without actually being a Parallel Government. Again we function more like a non-partisan political party where we support a slate of candidates to run for congress across the country, just like the republican party, or the democratic party, except our members can be from any political party including democrats and republicans. The only difference is that our government committee only supports candidates who DO NOT take donations of money for their local campaigns that are from special interests, either corporate or from individuals. Either way, even if we were a Parallel Government, we exist as a Free Country and therefore it is 100% legal according to our legal team, but in many countries in the world, having a parallel decision making body could have legal repercussions. Therefore it is important to consider all legal possibilities, and also support the concept of excelled people’s parallel governance systems, as people should NOT need to be within the country physically to represent it.

Here are some articles and information about Parallel Government and Parallel Governance:

Examples of Parallel Government:

"The use of parallel governments is sometimes used in regions where racial or ethnic differences have caused a rift in society. In these regions, one side feels the necessity to separate from the main government into sovereign self-rule."

List of Separatist Movements

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_historical\\_separatist\\_movements](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_historical_separatist_movements)

Parallel governance - institutional multiplicity, parallel governance differs from basic institutional multiplicity in that it has a political dimension. , it *“refers to rebel groups or political movements performing state functions in competition with the state and sometimes displacing it.”* (1) This can happen where there is an institutional vacuum; in areas where the state is

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absent; in an attempt to gain and sustain local support; in order to exercise control over people and resources of a certain area; or to delegitimize the state.

[http://www.irenees.net/bdf\\_fiche-notions-221\\_en.html](http://www.irenees.net/bdf_fiche-notions-221_en.html)

Not really a Parallel government but an Olagrach:

<http://www.kenandkay.com/2012/05/13/did-you-know-america-has-a-hidden-parallel-government/>

Cons of Parallel Governance structures devolving into secrecy:

[http://repository.upenn.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1063&context=gse\\_pubs](http://repository.upenn.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1063&context=gse_pubs)

General Article about the need for Parallel Government in US:

<http://tanyakaza.blogspot.com/2012/08/parallel-government-is-necessary-for.html>

Holographic Parallel Governance:

<http://timeguide.wordpress.com/2011/12/13/it-is-time-for-parallel-governance/>