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**ETHICS & GOOD GOVERNMENT WORKING GROUP**  
**Office of Oakland City Councilmember Dan Kalb**

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**Jay Costa**

Jay Costa is the Program Director at MapLight, a nonprofit, nonpartisan research organization that reveals money's influence on politics. As Program Director, Jay leads the organization's web and data projects. He previously served on San Francisco's Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, chairing the group's Education, Outreach, and Training Committee, and on Berkeley's Fair Campaign Practices Commission and Open Government Commission.

**Judith Cox**

Judy Cox served on the League of Women Voters of Oakland Board for several years and as its president for three years. With six others, she ran the campaign for ranked choice voting in Oakland in 2006, which succeeded with a two-thirds win. She has worked for 10 years for clean money elections, is co-chair of the local group for clean money and the Disclose Act, and advocated for limited public funding of elections in Oakland. She was president of the MGO Democratic Club for three years and has served on the board for seven. She is also a member of National Women's Political Caucus Northern Alameda County branch.

**Sheila Dugan**

Sheila Dugan is a 2013 Code for America fellow. Sheila is on a three-person team collaborating with the City of Oakland on the development of a web application to manage public records requests. She worked on broadband infrastructure development and adoption issues at the Center for Innovative Technology and Connect South Carolina before joining Code for America. In 2011, Sheila was appointed a Virginia Governor's Fellow and served under the Secretary of Technology in the Office of the Governor. She earned a master's degree in public policy at The College of William and Mary and a bachelor's degree in political science from Brown University.

**Katherine Gavzy**

Katherine Gavzy has been the President of the League of Women Voters of Oakland for 3 years, and active with the League here since about 1996. She was also on the Board of the League of Women Voters in Pasadena. She has advocated for enhanced staffing and authority for the Oakland Public Ethics Commission. Katherine graduated from Smith College in Northampton Massachusetts with a degree in history. Her professional experience includes 5 years as a Foreign Service Officer and 5 years as a landscape contractor, including bidding on and performing public works contracts.

**Victor Ochoa**

Victor Ochoa is a lawyer whose office is located in Oakland. He was the 2005 President of the Alameda County Bar Association, a past Chairperson of the Oakland Public Ethics Commission, a past Executive Director and Board President of Centro Legal de la Raza in Oakland, a nonprofit legal services provider, and a past Board President of La Clinica de la Raza in Oakland, a nonprofit healthcare services provider. He graduated from Stanford University in 1974 and from the Martin Luther King, Jr. Hall School of Law at UC Davis in 1977. He was admitted to the State Bar of California in December 1977.

**Michelle Romero**

Michelle Romero is the Claiming Our Democracy Director at The Greenlining Institute, where she works to strengthen democracy by ensuring communities of color can participate, directing projects dealing with voting rights, redistricting, and ballot initiative reform. As a co-founding member of the Future of California Elections Collaborative, she worked to improve the state's voting materials and public assistance agencies' compliance with the National Voter Registration Act. Michelle earned her B.A. from the University of California, Santa Cruz. She currently serves on the Board of California Common Cause and the Advisory Board of MapLight.

**Sandra Sanders-West**

Sandra Sanders-West is a Minister at Taylor Memorial United Methodist Church and earned her master's degree in divinity at the Pacific School of Religion. She also works with the West Oakland Community Collaborative at the Prescott Joseph Center. Sandra previously served as the Executive Director for Advocates for Women (2010 – 2013) and a Neighborhood Services Coordinator in the Oakland Police Department (1998 – 2011).

**Fumi Sugihara** [*Note: Ms. Sugihara had to withdraw from continued active participation in the Working Group due to health reasons.*]

Fumi Sugihara was a member of the first Oakland Public Ethics Commission. She was born in Los Angeles, CA and spent World War II in an internment camp because she was Japanese American, where she learned about fairness and injustice. Fumi attended Wellesley College and the University of Chicago. She has done significant volunteer work on the boards of local, state (Texas and Oregon), and the national League of Women Voters.

**Zabrae Valentine**

Zabrae Valentine is the immediate past executive director of the California Forward Action Fund and co-founding deputy director of California Forward. Prior to establishing California Forward and the Action Fund, she directed The Commonwealth Club of California's Voices of Reform Project. Zabrae previously served as a senior program officer for the National Democratic Institute in Malawi, supporting legislative and policy analysis and budget monitoring, and as a senior legislative aide to U.S. Senator Tom Daschle. She currently serves on the Board of California Common Cause and is the chair of the Rockridge Community Planning Council.