



Building a Culture
of Peace

NH Peace Action

As an organization, we work on several issues, topics and problems in our world. We'd like you to understand the relationship we see between our peace work and the issues/topics/problems that we connect with.

Why we are drawn to build a culture of peace: Building a culture of peace is central to everything that we do at NH Peace Action. Our ultimate goal in many of the areas we work on is the eradication of barriers to peace. We support the construction of a world where peace values permeate decisions, are considered primary and immediate rather than ideal, or potential, and we consider it our responsibility to bring about the conditions that make this world not only possible, but central to a way of life we all prefer.

What resolution are we seeking in this area: We are driven to help create a world where peace is the default position rather than the alternative to other positions, on any number of issues.

NHPA connects with this issue.

We educate on this issue by: supporting the local group, Building a Culture of Peace, which brings people together to talk and learn about timely issues and topics that range from regional peace initiatives to barriers to the same. This group hosts speakers, film makers, peace makers, lectures, and conversation series designed to engage the general public in discussions about peace. Topics range from local to global but make a culture of peace part of our everyday conversations.

We organize on this issue by: joining with other peace-minded groups in the region, especially as it relates to group inclusion, discussions about our peace values, conflict resolution techniques, etc.

We mobilize on this issue by: insisting that the prospect of social and global peace requires that we include the peace agenda in the currently charged discussions about poverty, race, structural inequities, nuclear weapons, etc. NH Peace Action works hard to maintain the focus on peace as a foundational value in public discussions about current issues as they relate to hard choices about economic prospects for our state, and the world we'd prefer.

Our vision comes closer to being realized when we build a culture of peace because: we move from being a protest/pushing organization into one of refining the idea of peace as a way of life. Building a culture of peace means that we are leading the conversations about positive change. We'll know that we are succeeding when we are viewed less like the irksome insistent agitator, and recognized more for facilitating a new era of life together.

If you and/or your organization would like to pursue partnerships in this area, we invite you to contact us at info@nhpeaceaction.org .