

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 working on Anti-nuclear Weapons Policy:

The existence of nuclear weapons threatens all life on Earth. Their use in war is inhumane: they indiscriminately target civilian/non-combatants, and their use is a war crime under international law. Furthermore, their use has tragically toxic down-wind effects.

A nuclear exchange would trigger a nuclear winter that could negatively impact life on Earth for decades. We can do better and work hard to counter such a devastating possibility.

What resolution are we seeking in this area:

NH Peace Action seeks the total and universal abolition of nuclear weapons. Along the way, we also work to reduce US nuclear weapons spending; to eliminate the ground-based leg of the weapons triad; bring a halt to the nuclear weapons modernization plan and emergent nuclear weapon-based technology.

We aim to help the US adopt a No First Use policy, renounce the US Presidential sole-authority and remove the US nuclear arsenal from hair-trigger alert.

NHPA connects with this issue.

We educate on this issue by: Convening events to raise awareness about our policy recommendations and the rationale that guides them, and working to create a highly conversant base of supporters on nuclear weapons policy. We include nuclear weapons news in our newsletter and in our social media outreach.

We organize on this issue by: Asking our members to: consume our education materials and programming; call their representatives; share information with others; receive training on advocacy tactics (eg. Bird dogging)

We agitate on this issue by: Lobbying our representatives for responsible policy, sponsoring and organizing public demonstrations and making public the failures of elected officials to responsibly guide our country toward a just and sustainable peace. We motivate our supporters to write letters to the editor and Op/Ed articles, and confront candidates seeking public office through bird dogging.

Our vision comes closer into being when the existence of nuclear weapons lessens or is resolved because: we will have successfully linked the cause of peace with the resolution of nuclear security threats. A world with nuclear weapons is a world without security of survival; without such destructive potential overshadowing every conflict we have, we get closer to living to our fullest potential on a planetary scale.

Organizations that NHPA works with on this issue include (but may not be limited to): Union of Concerned Scientists, AFSC-NH, UCC Peace w/Justice Advocates, FCNL, International Peace Bureau, International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), Peace Action (National).

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