

Rethinking the Global War on Terror and Exploring Alternatives



Ways to Take Action

- Join the Richmond Peace Education Center planning group that will be planning future events and actions focused on preventing war and advocating peaceful foreign policy. Sign up at the RPEC table or email rpec@rpec.org.
- Urge elected leaders and candidates to:
 - Resolve international conflicts through non-violent engagement and dedicated diplomacy
 - Urge Congressional repeal of the Authorization for Use of Military Force, which has provided a legal blank check to the war on terror
 - Support smart reductions in defense spending in order to fund needed investments in schools and communities. The United States currently spends more than half of all discretionary budget dollars on war and military. In comparison, we spend 6% on education.
- From the *Friends Committee for National Legislation*:
 - Call your senators and urge them to block the arms sale to Saudi Arabia. Call the Capitol Switchboard at 1-855-68-NO WAR (1-855-686-6927) to urge both of your senators to join Murphy and Paul in blocking bombs to Saudi Arabia. Here are some talking points to help you make your call:
 - *Hello, my name is [NAME], and I'm a voting constituent calling from [City, State].*
 - *I'm calling to urge the Senator to join the bipartisan bill S.J. Res. 39 to block the \$1.15 billion arms deal to Saudi Arabia.*
 - *The U.S. shouldn't be rewarding the killing of civilians by sending more bombs.*

This list of actions is a compilation of ideas suggested by our speakers and organizations. Thank you for taking action!