

Confronting the Twin Threats:

Nuclear Weapons & Climate Catastrophe

No Wars, No Warming

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The cyclical nature of the relationship between wars and warming calls for intervention. The **No Wars, No Warming** campaign seeks to break the cycle of war and warming through activism, collaboration, and collective action. We support the ideas of a Green Peace Economy, and a remarkable blueprint for conquering both global climate crisis and nuclear dangers - **Warheads to Windmills.** Meanwhile, the wars in Ukraine, Syria, and potentially Iran are warning signs of militarization over diplomacy. They need to end, and we need a new Common Security approach.



Common Security and Intersectionality

Common Security, first proposed by Russian President and reformer Mikhail Gorbachev, is the idea "that sustainable security cannot be obtained by undermining or threatening the security of others" (<u>unfold zero</u>). We commend that approach and support its implementation.

Wars and warming overwhelmingly and unequally affect minorities. Decisions regarding refineries, pipelines, and fracking often put poor communities at risk. Similarly, large natural disasters which result from climate change, largely affect communities in the Global South that do not have the resources to rebuild. The burden of walking miles for water among other care work is placed unequally on women, who face violence if they are unable to care for their families. The struggle for **Climate Justice** therefore intersects with **Anti-Racism** as well as **Women's Rights**, among other justice movements.

What has the No Wars, No Warming Campaign Accomplished?

- ★ During former Pres. Trump's administration, NW/NW leaders organized rallies and Zooms, helping keep the Delaware River fracking free, and supporting UN Sustainability goals, together with our allies.
- ★ Built alliances with Delaware Riverkeeper; Food and Water Watch; League of Conservation Voters; Sierra Club; GPBP; PA Physicians for Social Responsibility; Artists4Earth; and the UN Association of Greater Philadelphia, and lobbied Congress on stopping LNG (liquid methane) terminals.
- ★ We've succeeded thus far in ensuring that the Delaware River Basin Commission upholds its Charter to keep the Delaware River safe and clean, serving the interests of the 17 million people who depend on the river, free from fracking, fracking waste, and a proposed LNG export terminal in Gibbstown, NJ. There is still a threat from LNG corporations and our work here continues, until cancellation of the project.

What Still Needs to be Done?

- ★ Transfer funds from nukes and the military to a Green Economy: Right now, we're wasting \$55 Billion + a year on "modernization" (escalation) of nukes. Over 20 years, we can save \$2 Trillion, and put our investment in the future-- a Green Peace Economy.
- ★ Redirect STEM Talent: We need experts currently employed building nuclear weapons to tackle the climate crisis. To implement a Green Peace Economy, we need scientific, technical, engineering, and mathematical expertise to solve the remaining challenges of sustainable energy generation, storage, and transport, and use. Refocusing STEM talent will create many jobs.
- ★ From a New Cold War to International Cooperation: The United States, China, Russia, and India account for more than half of the world's total carbon emissions. Together with the other five nuclear-armed nations and their nuclear allies, these countries collectively emit nearly three quarters of all the world's greenhouse gases. Imagine if we turned these talents and resources to solving climate change. Let's talk, not confront—it can become an international Win-Win on climate, not a Zero-Sum game as now.
- ★ Shrink Militarism, grow the New Economy: There are many exciting things happening in science and technology. We can use those, not just for climate, but to raise living standards worldwide.
- ★ Tell President Biden, and world leaders: Youth, and sensible adults, are crying out for an approach of coexistence, and climate healing. We can promote the RGGI Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, now in 12 states including New Jersey and Pennsylvania, nationwide to slow the warming. We need to replant and reforest, rather than destroy the old-growth forests. And we will strengthen the economy with the millions of jobs from a Green Peace Economy.
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