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is a national coalition of local and national grassroots organizations working to end the Iraq war and prevent new wars of aggression. Founded in October 2002, UFPJ now includes more than 1200 U.S.-based groups, and new groups join monthly.

We believe that the U.S. occupation of Iraq violates Iraq's sovereignty; is responsible for the unnecessary deaths of nearly 3,000 U.S. soldiers and possibly hundreds of thousands of Iraqis; provokes violence against U.S. soldiers and Iraqis; makes civil war more likely, not less; and makes the U.S. less secure by providing terrorist groups a recruitment ad.

We call on our government to immediately withdraw all U.S. troops from Iraq; dismantle all U.S. military bases in Iraq; provide funds to the Iraqi government to rebuild Iraqi civilian infrastructure; and redirect spending priorities toward meeting needs at home.

Our strategy to end the war is to create such massive pressure in key spheres of society that the government is forced to bring home the troops: We mobilize public opinion, activate the antiwar majority, pressure elected officials, counter military recruitment, and support GI's who follow their consciences by refusing to carry out illegal orders.

UFPJ also works on related aspects of the Bush Administration's agenda abroad: the threat of new wars on Iran and North Korea, U.S. support for Israel's occupation of Palestinian lands and attacks on Lebanon, the use of torture. On the home front we've supported efforts to defend immigrant rights and civil liberties, win justice for Katrina survivors, and protect and expand social programs.



Fernando Suarez del Solar, Guerrero Azteca Project, UFPJ Steering Committee. His son Jesus Suarez del Solar died in Iraq on March 27, 2003.

United for Peace and Justice is working to build a movement powerful enough to end the war by:

- ✓ Uniting national and local groups representing a broad range of constituencies for peace, including veterans and military families, people of faith, unions, women, people of color, and immigrants
- ✓ Organizing nationally coordinated antiwar marches, including the two largest protests of the Iraq war
- ✓ Providing resources to local antiwar organizers, such as talking points, educational leaflets, sample press releases, skills trainings, and legislative updates
- ✓ Pressuring Congress to take action to end the war by developing a national Legislative Action Network, building a bloc of peace voters, distributing voter guides, and bird-dogging candidates at election time
- ✓ Creating spaces for groups to collectively strategize and share resources

By coordinating efforts and providing strategic focus to the work of more than 1,200 groups, UFPJ augments the national impact of local and constituency-based antiwar organizing.

Groups can affiliate with UFPJ by confirming they support our Unity Statement at <http://www.unitedforpeace.org/groups> and filling out the online application form. Member groups are expected to support the coalition's work financially based on a sliding scale. Learn more at <http://www.unitedforpeace.org/groups>

"United for Peace and Justice unifies the various parts of the peace movement, helping us to coalesce, share strategies and tactics, and build our shared capacity to be effective. US Labor Against the War benefits directly from UFPJ through its website and information, broad community contacts, and its political leadership and strength. It helps us to be the voice of labor in the anti-war movement and the anti-war voice within the labor movement."

- Nancy Romer - University-wide Officer, Professional Staff Congress- CUNY AFT #2334; National Steering Committee of US Labor Against the War; USLAW representative to UFPJ Steering Committee



NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

American Friends Service Committee * American Friends Service Committee - Vermont * Black Voices for Peace * Black Voices for Peace - Oakland * Boston Mobilization * CodePINK: Women for Peace * Communist Party USA * DC Anti-War Network * Detroit Area Peace with Justice Network * Empire Notes * Fayetteville Peace With Justice * Global Exchange * Georgia Peace and Justice Coalition * Hip-Hop Against Racist War * Historians Against the War * Independent Progressive Politics Network * Institute for Policy Studies * Iraq Veterans Against the War * Lancaster Coalition for Peace and Justice * Milwaukee Coalition for a Just Peace * Military Families Speak Out * National Immigrant Solidarity Network * National Network on Cuba * National Youth and Student Peace Coalition * Not in Our Name Project * PeaceRoots Alliance San Diego * Pride at Work, AFL-CIO * Root Activist Network of Trainers * Sept. 11th Families for Peaceful Tomorrows * Students For Change * Teaneck Peace and Justice Coalition * Teen Peace Project * Thomas Merton Center * United for Peace and Justice - NYC * US Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation * US Labor Against the War * Veterans for Peace * War Times * Western States Legal Foundation * Women To Women Ministries, Inc. * Young Koreans United/USA

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"If grassroots organizations are the lifeblood of peace and social justice movements, then UFPJ provides the blood vessels connecting those movements. IVAW has received tremendous guidance and solidarity from organizations in the UFPJ coalition, which is crucial to our antiwar efforts."

- Jose Vasquez, Iraq Veterans Against the War, IVAW representative to UFPJ Steering Committee



"Since 2002, Brooklyn Parents for Peace has grown from a network of several hundred people to over 4000 participants. During that expansion the connection to United for Peace and Justice has been invaluable. We have closely meshed our local organizing to UFPJ's activities, recognizing that without national coordination our own efforts would have slight impact. We have also benefited from the assistance of UFPJ in helping us to build a range of grass-roots projects, including work with Congress, counter-recruitment, educational forums and now our fourth annual Brooklyn Peace Fair. The outstanding national staff and leadership of UFPJ have been unfailingly supportive and open to new initiatives."

- Carolyn (Rusti) Eisenberg, Co-Founder, Brooklyn Parents for Peace

"United for Peace and Justice has provided invaluable leadership to the anti-war movement in the US since its inception in the fall of 2002. And its name is for real -- the diverse coalition and its superb staff have indeed united individuals and over 1400 local, regional and national organizations in rejecting war and demanding peace and justice."

- Kevin Martin, Executive Director, Peace Action, UFPJ Administrative Committee

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Not one more day!
Not one more death!
Not one more dollar!
Not one more deception!