



# HIGHLIGHTS OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

As a professionally staffed organization

## 1981-2021

## Coalition for Peace Action (CFPA)

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### NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, IRAQ, AND IRAN

- A Peace Train organized by CFPA in **1982** carried 1,400 supporters to the **Nuclear Weapons Freeze demonstration in NYC**. With 1 million attending, it was the largest demonstration in US history.
- CFPA's executive director Rev. Bob Moore chaired the **statewide campaign for the 1982 referendum** in favor of the Nuclear Weapons Freeze, which was approved by over 2/3 of all NJ voters.
- CFPA co-led a **Nuclear Weapons Freeze lobby-day trip** to DC with over 600 participants in **1983**. It conducted numerous other lobbying visits to DC and district or state offices--plus appeals via letters, emails and phone calls--in support of anti-nuclear and other peace legislation.
- Public pressure forced President Reagan to resume nuclear negotiations with the USSR, leading to the first nuclear-reduction treaty in history, which verifiably eliminated medium-range nuclear weapons for the US and USSR in 1987. From then **until 2010, CFPA mobilized support for START Treaties** that reduced global nuclear arsenals by over 85%.
- CFPA lobbied strongly for a binding US **Nuclear Testing Mortarism** that became law in **1992**, preventing US nuclear testing to this day.
- Starting before the invasion of Iraq in March **2003**, CFPA co-organized many large **anti-war protests and lobby efforts**, both in DC and in this region. President Bush set a 2011 deadline for withdrawal, and President Obama implemented it.
- In **2013**, CFPA initiated its **Diplomacy, Not War campaign** which played a key role, in collaboration with groups across the country, in successfully advocating for 2015 Iran Nuclear Agreement, which, while in effect, kept Iran at least one year away from having nuclear weapons capability.

### NEW CAMPAIGNS

- CFPA conducted **the first Peace Voter campaign in the nation in 1995**, distributing Peace Voter Guides comparing major party candidates on major peace issues. The model is widely replicated and still used across the country.

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- The Peace Voter campaign also includes these innovations pioneered by CFPA:
  - **Peace Voter Signature Ads** published in newspapers by CFPA in targeted races in **over 5 million newspapers to date**; and
  - **Non-partisan Candidate Briefings** given by CFPA experts and organizational leaders to major-party candidates before primaries and general elections, with **over 50 briefings** conducted to date.
- CFPA co-founded and remains in the leadership of two national multifaith efforts: the **National Religious Campaign Against Torture**; and the **Interfaith Network on Drone Warfare**.
- **Ceasefire NJ**, since it came under CFPA's umbrella in **2010**, has helped **pass over 20 gun-safety bills in NJ**.
- In conjunction with **2015** People's Climate March in NYC, CFPA initiated its **No Wars, No Warming campaign** linking efforts to mitigate climate crisis with those to stop and prevent wars.
- CFPA's **Annual Membership Gathering** has taken place every June **since 1982**, with attendance ranging from 125 to 500.
- CFPA has co-sponsored with the Princeton Clergy Association an **annual Martin Luther King Multifaith Service** every January **since 1986**, with average attendance of 300.
- CFPA has played a major role in numerous public demonstrations to bring the community together in the face of urgent peace and justice crises. Three of the most recent, all in Princeton, were the student-led **March for Our Lives** student led 2018 Rally against gun violence, which drew over 4,000; **Black Lives Matter** 2020 Rally with about 5,000; and 2021 **Stop Asian Hate** Rally with over 3,000.
- CFPA chapters, previously only in New Jersey, were **expanded into Southeastern PA in 2004**, with ongoing staff added to oversee programing and grassroots work in that swing area.

## ORGANIZATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL

- CFPA has continued to organize its **Annual Conference and Multifaith Service for Peace** every autumn **from 1980 to the present**, with attendance averaging over 500 per year.

*Thank you for your support; peacemakers like you have made our consistent and impactful organizing possible for over 40 years!*

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