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GUIDELINES FOR CHAPTERS OF THE COALITION FOR PEACE ACTION

Below are guidelines for the relationship between chapters and the regional office (headquarters) of the Coalition for Peace Action (CFPA). They are intended as guidelines only, not strict rules. There is flexibility in particular arrangements with each chapter.

What the Chapter receives from CFPA

1. Affiliation with long-term organization (32 years old) with track record and reputation throughout the region.
2. Prestigious list of sponsors
3. Access to high quality speakers and other resources.
4. Access to database of supporters and members who already exist. Each of the chapters formed recently has begun with lists provided by the Princeton office of members and supporters already in that town/area.
5. Access to email promotion to list of about 3,000 households and to press list of over 150 contacts.
6. Organizing support and guidance from professional staff in Princeton. Advice and concrete support (flyers, materials, resources) available from staff with experience of over 34 years working professionally for peace.
7. One seat on the Steering Committee (board), which oversees our work in the region.
8. Ability to receive tax-deductible donations through our Peace Action Education Fund (PAEF), and to set up a designated fund to use such funds.

What the Chapter Gives to CFPA

1. Promote participation in regional events, such as the Annual Concert for Peace, the Annual Membership Dinner, and the Annual Conference and Interfaith Service for Peace.
2. Recruit members and supporters, and share those with the CFPA office. If there are financial needs for the chapter, a dues-sharing arrangement can be worked out for the chapter to retain a portion of contributions they solicit.
3. Publicize that the chapter is an affiliate of CFPA—in press releases, flyers, mailings, etc.
4. Regular communications to keep us informed of activities—send us your newsletter, occasional reports, attend Steering Committee meetings.
5. Agree to do grass roots programs consistent with the three priority areas of CFPA (see below). While there is room for some local initiative, e.g. one of our south Jersey affiliates works on a campaign to close a civilian nuclear power plant, major programs outside the existing three priorities should not contradict them.

Working for the global abolition of nuclear weapons, a peace economy, and a halt to weapons trafficking