## Coalition for Peace Action (CFPA)/Peace Action Education Fund (PAEF)

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## November 2016 - November 2017

- 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Multifaith Service for Peace on *Preventing a New Nuclear Arms Race* draws over 400 in Princeton on 11/13/16.
- In Fall 2016, **CFPA's Ceasefire NJ Project** co-leads nearly unanimous bipartisan passage in NJ Legislature of **bill to keep guns away from domestic abusers**. Bill is subsequently signed into law in January 2017.
- **Lobby Day to DC** with 25 participants on 12/6/16 advocates resolution to pause US nuclear build-up and advocating *No Wars, No Warming* initiatives.
- CFPA co-sponsors annual **Martin Luther King Multifaith Commemoration Service**, with over 200 diverse attendees, on 1/16/17 in Princeton.
- On 1/21/17 CFPA sends bus to DC and participates in Women's Marches in DC, Trenton, and PA.
- CFPA co-sponsors **Rally vs. Islamophobia and Bigotry**, with over 250 diverse supporters, on 2/6/17 at Trenton City Hall, garnering **four front page articles** in area newspapers!
- Code Pink Co-founder **Medea Benjamin speaks to overflow crowd** of 100 at **Annual Membership Renewal Gathering** on 3/26/17 in Princeton.
- CFPA does **Candidate Briefings** for 4 of 6 major party candidates for NJ Governor, and gets completed **Candidate Questionnaires** from them as well. This culminates in issuing of a **Peace Voter Guide**, published on the CFPA web site, to inform voters in the June 6, 2017 Primary.
- Nearly 375 participate in **CFPA's Annual Penny Poll on federal budget priorities** at 4/30/17 Communiversity Festival in Princeton, with major press coverage resulting.
- CFPA's Interfaith Drone Network produces and distributes **five educational videos on drone warfare** for use in congregations across the country starting in April 2017.
- Col. Lawrence Wilkerson, former Chief of Staff to Colin Powell, speaks to crowd of 150 for CFPA's Annual Membership Dinner on June 4 at Princeton Theological Seminary. Three NJ state legislators who are leaders for gun violence prevention and Muslims for Peace are honored.
- CFPA Delegation of 15 participates in **Peace Lobby Day to Washington DC**, meeting with nine Congresspersons and/or their staff, on July 13.
- CFPA organizes **Emergency Rallies for Diplomacy, Not War with North Korea and Iran** on September 24 and November 5 in Princeton, with over 130 participants and front-page press coverage.
- **38**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Conference and Multifaith Service for Peace** on *The Challenges of Peace in the Trump Era* draws 600 in Princeton on November 12, 2017, and results in front page press coverage.