



GLOBAL WEEK OF  
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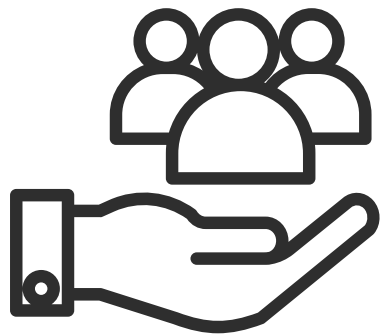
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The Week of Action will involve a wide range of events and actions organised by groups around the world, from webinars to advocacy events to demonstrations.

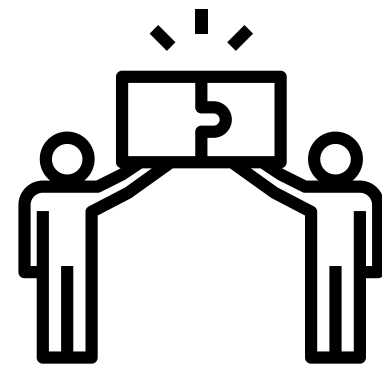


# Working together, we will:



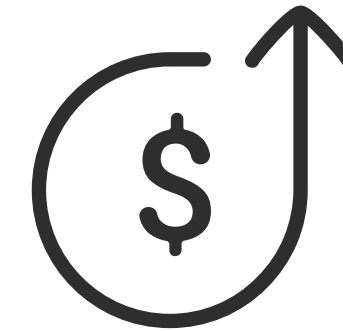
**Raise public awareness of the links between war, militarism and climate injustice**

Militaries are major fossil fuel consumers, driving global emissions and environmental destruction, yet they are excluded from climate agreements and face no accountability for their pollution.



**Build connections between peace, climate and justice movements**

Now is the time to link and unite peace, climate, and justice movements. Our struggles are interconnected, and we are stronger together.



**Build momentum for collective action and policy making against militarism and for climate justice.**

Climate justice demands demilitarisation. Moving the money from war to climate action is a crucial step in the right direction.

War, militarism and climate breakdown are closely linked. War is a huge source of carbon emissions and ecological destruction, while disproportionate investments in militaries and weapons divert direly needed funds away from climate action. Despite these links, peace, climate and justice movements have long struggled to bring their causes together. With the Week of Action for Peace and Climate Justice we hope to bridge the divide.

**We invite you to participate in the first annual Global Week of Action for Peace and Climate Justice – running from September 21 to 28, 2024.**

**‘DIVEST FROM WAR –  
INVEST IN CLIMATE  
JUSTICE!’**



# Move the Money!

**\$100bn**

**Wealthy countries** have repeatedly failed to meet the **\$100 billion** climate finance target for the worst affected countries.

**\$2443bn**

Meanwhile, in 2023 **military spending** rose for the ninth year in a row, to a record high of **\$2443 billion**.



# WAYS TO TAKE ACTION

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# Ways to Take Action

**Plan. Move. Act. Impact.**

There are plenty of ways to make your voices heard, and to begin a ripple effect of positive and peaceful changes.

## 01 Spread the word

Spread the word on social media, local media and to your elected officials.

## 02 Take to the streets!

Organize creative street actions - whether it's rallies, concerts, murals, storytelling, or workshops - to educate and engage the public.

## 03 Learn together

Organize awareness raising sessions about the links between peace and climate justice.

## 04 Connect and engage

Reach out to peace and climate groups or activists in your area and take action together.

## 05 The sky is the limit!

Create your own action for peace and climate justice. Surprise us!



# Spread the Word

1

- Post on social media - Instagram, Twitter, TikTok, Facebook, and more!
- Tell your local media about the Week using our template press release and invite them along to your action.
- Contact your elected representative explaining why you think military spending should be reallocated to climate action to build a safer world.





# 2

## Take to the Streets!

- Hold a rally/demonstration calling for military spending to be moved to climate action, or form a bloc at an existing rally.
- Hold a creative street action asking people what they would put money towards - a bigger military or addressing climate change? Or ask them what makes them feel more secure - a military force or a healthy environment?
- Have a visual element to engage people - get them to write/draw their response and display the responses, or get them to 'cast a vote'.

# Learn Together

3

- Hold a webinar, teach-in or workshop on the links between peace and climate justice.
- Contact the Week of Action team for suggestions of speakers.





# Connect and Engage

## 4

- If you are usually active on peace, reach out to climate justice activists/groups/organisations in your area. And if you are usually active on climate justice, reach out to peace groups.
- Meet with them to share what you're working on and talk about how you could support each other's campaigns over the next year.
- Hold a public meeting to talk about how militarism and climate injustice are connected, or do a street action together.





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**The sky is the  
limit!**

Create your own action for  
peace and climate justice.

Surprise us!

You can easily submit your events,  
actions and campaign here:

**[www.climate militarism.org/weekofaction](http://www.climate militarism.org/weekofaction)**

# WE GOT YOU!



## Social Media

[coming soon]

Posts for  
Facebook/Twitter/Instagram,  
Press Release



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Material

## Resource Hub

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Existing campaign  
materials, publications and  
videos to use and share



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Material

## #Hashtag

#Demilitarize4  
ClimateJustice

## Slogan

*Divest from  
war – invest in  
climate justice!*



# Resources

Useful lists of resources on climate and militarism



AMCJ resources



Resisting Green Militarism resource sharing space



Peace and Demilitarisation Working Group linktree

*If you have...*



Watch and share this 350.org video



Read Climate Collateral: How military spending accelerates climate breakdown (TNI)



Read Storytelling from the Frontlines: Forefronting the voices of communities most affected by militarism and the climate crisis (QCEA)



Watch Militarism & Climate Change: Disaster in Progress (World Beyond War)



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# KEY MESSAGES

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WAR AND  
MILITARISM HAVE  
HELPED CAUSE  
CLIMATE  
BREAKDOWN...  
SO THEY CAN'T BE  
PART OF THE  
SOLUTION.

**#Demilitarize4ClimateJustice**



**WE SHOULD TRUST OUR  
CAPACITY TO COOPERATE  
RATHER THAN COMPETE  
OVER RESOURCES WHEN  
FACED WITH CRISIS.**

**01**

**We should invest in  
preventing conflict and  
mitigating eco-social  
crises, rather than  
preparing for war.**

**02**

**We can handle conflict  
through dialogue,  
peacebuilding and  
diplomacy.**

**03**

**We can respond to  
climate breakdown  
with love and hope  
rather than fear and  
self-interest.**

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# INVEST IN CLIMATE JUSTICE,

# NOT IN MILITARIZING THE PLANET

01.

## THERE IS AN ALTERNATIVE

We can create the  
conditions for nonviolent  
conflict resolution.

02.

## MOVE THE MONEY

from military spending to  
climate finance, from a war  
economy to reparations  
and Loss & Damage funding.

## #DEMILITARIZE4CLIMATEJUSTICE





# SECURITY FOR WHOM AND HOW?



**#DEMILITARIZE4CLIMATEJUSTICE**

*We need responses to climate breakdown that  
prioritize the safety and well-being of people  
and the planet, not securing resources and  
power for the few*

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# Join the Movement



**Arms, Militarism and Climate Justice  
working group**



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