

# Olympia Fellowship of RECONCILIATION

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Dear friend of the Olympia FOR,

**The Olympia FOR is unique among our region's non-profit organizations. No other all-volunteer grassroots organization conducts such a wide variety of activities for peace, nonviolence, and social justice – and mobilizes resources to work on them in so many ways:**

- Our peace vigils every Wednesday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. in Sylvester Park and every Friday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Percival Landing consistently lift up our values of peace, social justice and nonviolence and welcome new people into the movement.
- Our newsletters inform people about our many activities and issues related to making peace, protecting the climate, cutting military spending, abolishing the death penalty, and so forth.
- Our website ([www.olympiafor.org](http://www.olympiafor.org)) provides information about our activities and substantive information about nonviolence, the climate crisis, the death penalty, and other issues. You can read our newsletters there and watch more than 100 of our past TV programs there.
- Our “Confronting the Climate Crisis” is the local leader in working to protect our climate. We meet monthly (6:30 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month at the Olympia Center, 222 Columbia Street NW, downtown) and organize a wide variety of activities, including speakers, rallies, interactions with governments, direct actions, and more.
- Our “Committee for Alternatives to the Death Penalty” has worked for decades to educate people in our local area and governmental decision-makers, and to urge replacing that barbaric practice with humane alternatives.
- We organize, sponsor and co-sponsor speaking engagements and other special events about a variety of issues (foreign policy, climate, nuclear weapons, death penalty, and so forth).

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- Our TV programs allow thoughtful guests to explore substantive issues. Watch our programs on TCTV cable channel 22 in Thurston County or through [www.olympiafor.org](http://www.olympiafor.org). Topics from January 2013 through May 2014 are: "Local Government Fairness and Accountability," "ITTP Cracks the Cycle of Trauma in World Conflicts," "Nuclear Weapons Threaten Life and Waste Money," "Consequences of Denying Hard Realities," "Creating a Sustainable Local Food System," "Solving Homelessness Problems in New Ways: A Systems Approach," "Social and Economic Justice Can Help Ease the Climate Crisis," "Peace from Local to Global," "Iran: Understanding Realities - Achieving Peace," "Dangers of Genetically Modified Food," "TPP: A 'Free Trade' Scam Much Worse than NAFTA," "How to Resolve Conflicts," "Living Meaningful Lives," "Racial Disparities in the Criminal Justice System: Problems and Solutions," "Preventing Humanity's Suicide," "Strengthen Democracy with a Community Rights Ordinance (CRO)," and "A Vietnam Veteran Now Works for Peace."

**If you like what the Olympia FOR is doing, we warmly encourage you to support our work.**

The Olympia FOR does not charge dues or have paid staff. We rely entirely on **volunteer labor** and **voluntary contributions**. We trust that each person will help in whatever ways they can.

Please consider pledging quarterly or monthly. Some donors express their support for our work by spreading their gifts out quarterly or monthly in order to achieve a more generous yearly total. Contributions to Olympia FOR are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Thanks to **everyone** for helping the Olympia FOR work for social justice, nonviolence and peace!

Sincerely, The Olympia FOR Steering Committee:

*Kim Dobson, Marilyn Dungan, Chris Carson, Kristen Dahle, Valé Core, Bourtai Hargrove, Ted Nation, Bernd Whitlock, Audrey Daye, Alex Daye, Glen Anderson, Rozanne Rants, Kerri Griffis, Holly Gwinn Graham*

**YES!** I support the Olympia FOR's work for nonviolence, social justice, and peace.

Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Today I'm contributing	\$500	\$200	\$100	\$50	\$35	\$25	\$15	Other: \$_____
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For the next 12 months I pledge	\$_____ per quarter	\$_____ per month
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**Thank You!**