

Give a Present for Peace this Christmas

A world at war needs your gift of peace

Yet global military spending is £118,000 per minute!

Wars still rage in Ukraine, Sudan, Yemen, Myanmar, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lebanon, Gaza, the West Bank & Israel, Thailand and Cambodia. It appears governments will throw money at supporting and fuelling war but offer little support to conflict prevention, women peacemakers and trauma healing, especially among women. How can we give peace a chance this Christmas? We can challenge our own governments to fund sustainable security for people and the planet. We can make our own contribution by supporting organisations working for peace and human rights.

Give a donation to a peace or humanitarian organisation

MSF (www.msf.org.uk) works in Ukraine, Afghanistan, Syria, Gaza, Palestine, Yemen, Congo, Sudan, and many other countries: Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders is an independent international medical humanitarian organisation that delivers emergency aid in more than 70 countries to people affected by armed conflict, epidemics, natural or man-made disasters or exclusion from healthcare.

Medical Aid for Palestinians (www.map.org.uk/) MAP's permanent team in Gaza. As well as emergency support they have developed a strategy for long-term health care and prevention of disease.

Women for Refugee Women (*www.refugeewomen.co.uk*/) support refugee and asylum-seeking women who have fled persecution including rape, gender-based violence, domestic violence, forced marriage,

Women in Black London vigil weekly to raise awareness of the impact of war and militarism on the world and our government's role is fuelling war. Donate tonight towards our printing costs.

And make a New Year resolution to support the work of Campaign Against Arms Trade who undertake research and campaign to end UK arms manufacture and sales. (www.caat.org.uk) The global arms trade, and the UK role within it, has a devastating impact on human rights and well-being.

Women in Black hold vigils every Wednesday between 6-7 pm at the Edith Cavell Statue, opposite the National Portrait Gallery, St. Martin's Place, London WC2.

Our vigils are silent, women-only and if possible, we wear black. We welcome all women who support our call for an end to militarism and war.

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Donations for leaflets most welcome

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