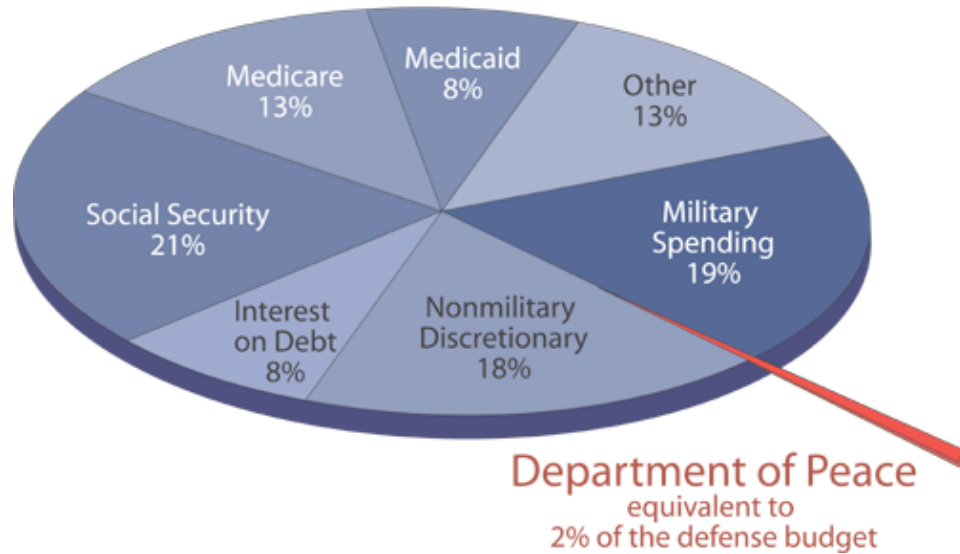


Peace wants a Piece of the Pie



Support the establishment of a United States Department of Peace

Legislation for a cabinet-level Department of Peace and Nonviolence was introduced in the House of Representatives (HR3760) and in the Senate (S1756) in September 2005. On May 12th, in honor of Mother's Day, citizens around the nation are bringing pies to their congressional offices to let their leaders know that "Peace Wants a Piece of the Pie!" We urge you to support this effort to cultivate a more peaceful society.

This historic legislation establishes nonviolence as an organizing principle of American society and provides the President with an array of peace-building policy options for domestic and international use and provides funding for programs with proven, effective track records of reducing violence.

Domestically, the Department of Peace will focus on gang and drug violence, child abuse, prison reform, domestic abuse, violence in the schools and racial and hate crimes. The bill would establish a Peace Academy to train in conflict resolution skills and peace-building strategies.

For more information on this legislation and our campaign, visit **The Peace Alliance** website at: www.ThePeaceAlliance.org.

*Pie Chart Source: New York Times, Feb. 8, 2005, based on *Budget of the United States FY2005*. The proposed Dept of Peace budget is equivalent to 2% of the current Dept of Defense budget or Nonmilitary Discretionary Spending and is not intended to be subtracted from the Dept of Defense budget. This bill is a complement to the military and is intended to use resources to resolve conflicts at their root causes; therefore, this money is an investment that will yield high dividends.