



The Peace Alliance
Campaign to Establish a

U.S. Department of Peace



Student Peace Alliance

Department of Peace Campaign At-A-Glance

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- ◆ A national, nonpartisan grassroots campaign active in all 50 states with approximately 36,000 supporters
- ◆ Officially launched in April 2003
- ◆ Organized groups with volunteer Congressional District Team Leaders in 195 of 440 Congressional Districts
- ◆ Forty-seven (47) volunteer State Coordinators in 31 states

Department of Peace Legislation (HR 808)

- ◆ Supported by 65 members of the U.S. House of Representatives
- ◆ Supporting resolutions passed by the governing bodies of 38 city, county and other local administrations, including Atlanta, Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles and San Francisco, representing about 12.5 million people
- ◆ Endorsed by 55 organizations, including Amnesty International, NOW and Physicians for Social Responsibility
- ◆ Originally introduced in July 2001, with reintroductions in 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2009
- ◆ Referred to four committees: House Oversight and Government Reform, House Foreign Affairs, House Judiciary, and House Education and Labor
- ◆ Calls for \$10 Billion dollars, 85% of which will be dedicated to addressing violence in the U.S.
- ◆ Concept of a Department of Peace dates back to the founding of our nation, with more than 90 pieces of legislation introduced over the years

Global Alliance for Ministries and Departments of Peace

- ◆ Established in 2005
- ◆ Citizen-based campaigns in 31 countries
- ◆ Global Summits held in the United Kingdom (2005), Canada (2006), and Japan (2007), and planned for Australia (2008) and Costa Rica (2009)
- ◆ Nepal Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction formed in March, 2007

Student Peace Alliance

- ◆ Established in 2006
- ◆ Advocates for a Department of Peace and supports peacebuilding on campuses and in communities
- ◆ Over 125 chapters in high schools and colleges nationwide
- ◆ Eight (8) volunteer State Organizers in 8 states

The Peace Alliance

- ◆ Established in March 2004
- ◆ Mission: Empower civic activism for a culture of peace
- ◆ Vision: A future where the practical programs and principles of peacebuilding are the bedrock of our personal, national and global interest and investment
- ◆ Goal: Make peacebuilding central to our policymaking, investment and understanding
- ◆ Current focus: The campaign for a cabinet-level U.S. Department of Peace

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