Make Your Voice Heard!

These are trying yet exciting times for the counter military recruitment/truth in recruitment movements. Now, more than ever, those of us who are proactive in opposing militarism must help shape the tone of anti-war and peace conversations to be more inclusive of the perspectives of youth, veterans, educators and parents.

The National Network Opposing the Militarization of Youth (NNOMY) is integral in bringing our groups together so we can help the nation understand that providing youth with peaceful and viable alternatives to achieve success in life is an important sign of a civilized society.

“We must begin to inoculate our children against militarism by educating them... I would rather teach peace than war, love rather than hate.”—Albert Einstein

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Stopping War Where It Begins: Organizing Against Militarism in Our Schools
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In June 2003 a conference was held where activists from across the country came together for the first large-scale national counter-recruitment conference.

NNOMY was formally established in 2004 at a second conference entitled “Stopping War Where it Begins: Organizing Against Militarism in Our Schools”.

Today we’ve grown into a diverse network of groups from across the country, united in our goal to stop the militarization of youth.

Resisting Militarism

Resisting the relentless militarization of youth and society transcends the current war on terror. The goal of NNOMY is to root out and address an ingrained, virulent U.S. militarism. Members work on issues around:

- Military Enlistment
- Military Recruitment in Schools
- Military Testing in Schools/ASVAB
- Military Marketing to Youth
- Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)
- Abuse and Fraud in Recruitment
- Alternatives to the Military
- Equal Access for Counter-Recruiters

Educating Youth and Parents

Most NNOMY member organizations work to educate youth and parents about the realities of military service. Members do this through:

- Developing pamphlets and websites.
- Leafleting Schools
- Creating alternative career guides
- Making classroom and community presentations.
- Tabling in school lunchrooms.

In addition, NNOMY member groups pressure school boards and elected officials to CHANGE POLICY.

We encourage your group to participate today!

NNOMY welcomes new member organizations. NNOMY is not intended to function as an independent national organization but, rather, as a coalition that strengthens the work of participating groups. (Note: NNOMY is not a membership organization for individuals.)

To become a member of NNOMY, a representative of the organization or project must first register at www.nnomy.org and then complete a profile form for the national counter-recruitment database.

Some groups involved in NNOMY:

- Alternatives to the Military
- American Friends Service Committee
- Berkshire Citizens for Peace and Justice
- Center on Conscience and War
- Committee Opposed to Militarism and the Draft
- Fox Valley Citizens for Peace and Justice
- Granny Peace Brigade
- National Coalition to Protect Student Privacy
- Northwest Suburban Peace & Education Project
- On Earth Peace
- Orange County Recruitment Awareness Project
- Peaceful Vocations
- Project YANO
- Peace Club Alliance - ABC Unified School District
- Sustainable Options for Youth
- Truth in Recruiting
- Unitarian Society of New Haven - Peace Task Force
- Veterans For Peace
- War Resisters League
- Washington Truth in Recruiting
- We Are Not Your Soldiers
- Ya Ya Network
- And many more...