WNPJ Membership Benefits

By becoming a member of WNPJ, you will join hundreds of organizations and individuals around our state who work together to advance our common goals of peace, justice, and sustainability. WNPJ has a wide range of services to offer to its individual member and member groups. Here you’ll find a quick review of our member services. We hope it gives you lots of ideas for how to strengthen your statewide organizing efforts! At WNPJ, we believe that we are all stronger when we work together.

Have you been in the news?
Whenever a WNPJ member groups captures the attention of the media, we’re eager to help a local story reach a wider audience through our website’s “In the News” feature. Send your media “hits” to info@wnpj.org, or mail in a newspaper clipping so we can scan and post it.

Getting something off your chest...
WNPJ members aren’t shy about letting other know what they think. Send your thoughts (500 to 1000 words) to info@wnpj.org for posting on the website, and you’ll reach a statewide audience of committed activists!

Share your success stories!
Let us know about your successes, large or small, so we can pass those on to our members and post to our website’s “Success Stories” feature. Your success may be a model and an inspiration for others to follow! Send your success stories to info@wnpj.org.

Want to publicize your event?
Hundreds of events are posted to our events calendar every month, and our weekly e-bulletin provides a digest, organized by region. Publicize your next event by sending details to info@wnpj.org. Don’t forget to include the Facebook URL if you’ve posted an event page.

Be a presence at the largest Farmers’ Market in the country...
WNPJ’s reserved space at the Madison Farmers’ Market is available to all member groups upon request. It’s a great way to get your message out to the public at an event that regularly attracts more than 20,000 people. Send your request for table space to office@wnpj.org. Other tabling opportunities are also available.

Do you have issues? (With the legislature)
WNPJ organizes statewide lobby days to bring the voice of the people into the People’s House in Madison. Past lobby days have pressed for legislation prohibiting use of race-based mascots, supported in-state tuition for children of undocumented immigrants, and opposed weakening Wisconsin’s common sense regulations of nuclear plants. WNPJ also surveys candidates for state office about peace and justice issues. Contact WNPJ at office@wnpj.org to learn more.
Let’s get together…
WNPJ holds two statewide events each year, a Spring Steering Committee meeting for member group representatives and a Fall Assembly for all members, to explore peace and justice issues and to share the “common ground” upon which to coordinate our activist efforts. And, as a participant in our Fall and Spring meetings you can help WNPJ set goals and priorities for our future work.

Want to build a movement?
WNPJ’s work groups bring together member groups on selected issues to coordinate and strengthen their actions. Work groups also do outreach and education through events, pamphlets, petitions, and media work. Decisions to establish work groups are made by the WNPJ Board. Contact WNPJ at office@wnpj.org to learn more.

Know someone who deserves recognition?
Each year, WNPJ recognizes the heroes and heroines of our peace and justice movements with “Peacemaker of the Year” awards. Awards are presented at our Annual Assembly in three age categories: Youth, Adult, and Senior. As a WNPJ individual member or member group, you can submit nominations for our peacemaker awards. Nominations are due each year, July 31st. Please go online at wnpj.org and click on “Awards” for more information.

Want to move people to action?
Whether you want to generate phone calls to Congress about a piece of legislation, turn people out for a rally, or find volunteers, WNPJ’s weekly Action Alerts help you reach a statewide audience. Action Alerts highlight a variety of issues and tactics, from “Call your state representative” to “Be a facilitator for Stones into Schools Community Read.” Send your action alerts to info@wnpj.org.

Want to build your membership?
As part of WNPJ’s commitment to help its member groups reach out to potential supporters, we offer a limited exchange of mailing labels with member groups for one-time use. The WNPJ Board permits a maximum of three “list swaps” per year, with any single member group allowed a maximum of one list swap every three years. Contact office@wnpj.org for details.

Step into a leadership position…
Decisions about the direction and management of WNPJ are made by our Board of Directors. Board members not only guide and strengthen WNPJ, but also contribute towards the broader movements for peace, justice, and sustainability.

WNPJ individual members and representatives of member groups are eligible to serve as officers and Board members.

We strive for a Board that reflects our state, with racial, cultural, geographic, and age diversity. A slate of proposed new board members is prepared each year for a vote by our membership at our Fall Assembly.

Nominations for new Board members are due by August 1st and should be submitted to office@wnpj.org.

Not ready to be a Board member
Join a committee and help the Board carry out the various activities needed. We currently have the following organizational committee: board development, fundraising, communications, and outreach.

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Membership Benefits
The Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice (WNPJ) was founded in 1991 as a coalition of activist groups and citizens of conscience within Wisconsin.

Mission
Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice advances a sustainable world free from violence and injustice by connecting, engaging, and strengthening member groups and serving as a catalyst for community organizing and education.

Vision
A peaceful, just, and sustainable world.