IT'S TAX TIME!

Do you know where your tax dollars are going?

A significant portion of our federal taxes go to pay military contractors who profit off of the misery and death of innocent civilians in warzones across the globe from Gaza to Ukraine.

It's time to say NO.



This Tax Day, Southern Tier Peace Action, Veterans For Peace, Pax Christi Upstate NY, and other friends are standing together to say NO to the merchants of death who are active right here in our own backyard!

JOIN US

on Monday, April 15, for nonviolent direct actions at three area defense contractors.

| 10 AM | Scranton Army Ammunition Plant, 156 Cedar Ave, Scranton, PA 18505 |
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| Noon | Lockheed Martin, 459 Kennedy Drive, Archbald, PA 18403 |
| 2 PM | BAE Systems, 1301 North Street, Endicott, NY 13760 |
| All times are approximate. | |

For those wishing to participate in the full day of actions, a **carpool** will be leaving at **9** AM from St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Hillcrest. Another, also at **9** AM, will leave from the **Church of the Holy Family** in Endwell. If you are unable to commit to the full day, please join us wherever and whenever you can! We would love to stand together with you in solidarity with all victims of war across the globe, even if it's only for a few minutes. Signs with short, clear messages are welcome!

For more details, call (607) 239-9605

"Why are deadly weapons being sold to those who plan to inflict untold suffering on individuals and society? Sadly, the answer, as we all know, is simply for money: money that is drenched in blood, often innocent blood. In the face of this shameful and culpable silence, it is our duty to confront the problem and to stop the arms trade."

Pope Francis' address to Congress, September 24, 2015

The United States is breaking not just civil law, but criminal law.

The former US Director of the Diplomatic Corps, Josh Paul, resigned in October of 2023 after eleven years of service because the United States continued to supply Israel with weapons, even after their open slaughter of civilians. He worried he could be **criminally charged** with providing weapons to Israel, internationally recognized as a **human rights abuser**.

At each of the three locations, in addition to picketing, we will try to deliver a letter to the corporate offices of each defense

contractor. While they are unlikely to allow our representatives to enter, the guards will be given a copy and asked to deliver it to their superiors.

The letter, crafted by Veterans For Peace in collaboration with a team of legal experts specializing in both U.S. and international law, details exactly what laws are being broken and how. You can read it by following the link or scanning the QR-code below.

In fiscal year 2023, **well over half** of our nation's discretionary spending was on warmaking. **Your money** is being used to fund the slaughter of innocents.

Join us this Tax Day to say NO. Not in my name. Not with my money.

"War is a racket – it always has been. It is possibly the oldest, easily the most profitable and surely the most vicious. It is the only one in which profits are reckoned in dollars and the losses in lives." Major General Smedley Butler, 1933



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