



COST OF WAR, PRICE OF PEACE

What you can do:

Organize a group of people to view Afghan Youth Peace Volunteer videos which can be accessed at these sites: The OurJourneyToSmile page of all the AYPV videos posted at YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/ourjourneytosmile> The same AYPV videos converted to ".mov" videos: https://docs.google.com/?tab=mo&authuser=0&pli=1#folders/0B_tBPQ-oXcp0NGFidmJNSUNUQUNSTm42dXpXVmZaQQ For further information, visit ourjourneytosmile.com View videos and talk about impressions of Afghan youths and their friends.

Organize a group to participate in the next Skype-conversation with the Afghan Youth Peace Volunteers. To participate in a call contact Doug Mackey at dougwmackey@gmail.com. Additional information about calls can be found at ThePeoplesJourney.org. **Visit** the Afghan Youth Peace Volunteers' Facebook page and share it with your friends: <https://www.facebook.com/YouthPeaceVolunteers>

Support the Afghan Youth Peace Volunteers in the following 2012 action: **2 Million Friends to End the Afghan War**, the Afghan Youth Peace Volunteers (AYPV) call on the world community to join the people of Afghanistan in lighting 2 million candles, on December 10, 2012, symbolizing our collective grief for the 2 million victims of war in Afghanistan and our determination to work together for peace in Afghanistan and a life without wars.

For more details regarding how to help go to, <http://ourjourneytosmile.com/blog/actions-in-2012/>.

Mark your calendar for **At A Global Crossroads: Turn Towards Peace**. This spring, starting May 1, we'll be walking from Madison to Milwaukee and on to Chicago as part of an effort called At A Global Crossroads: Turn Against War. We will be using this walk as a medium to publicize our peace agenda for the NATO summit, scheduled for May 19-21. We are marching for the removal of the NATO-ISAF troops and an abrupt halt to drone strikes. We want to raise public awareness of the impact of the war upon ordinary Afghan citizens as well as upon U.S. soldiers who serve in Afghanistan, and of our country's responsibilities to provide reparations. For more information visit our website at <http://vcnv.org/may2012> and for logistical concerns contact Buddy Bell at buddy@vcnv.org.

Organize an event with David Smith-Ferri on his new book of poetry, [With Children Like Your Own](#), and/or help purchase and distribute copies of the book. The poems focus on encounters with Iraqis and people in Afghanistan who've endured siege and war. For more information, contact David Smith-Ferri at dsmithferri@gmail.com.

Set up a meeting with your elected officials to let them know that you oppose the war in Afghanistan. Support Rep. Barbara Lee's **H.R.780: Responsible End to the War in Afghanistan Act** Visit www.peace-action.org/ for more information about lobbying.

Form a study group to learn Dari and/or Pashto.

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