Myths

War is inevitable
War is necessary
War is beneficial
Myth: War Is Inevitable

War is not in our genes. War is not "natural." War is not permanent. War is not beyond our control. Ending war is possible.
Myth: War Is Necessary

War is not "defense."
There are no "good wars."
Preparation is not "defense."
Defense need not be violent.
War makes us less safe.
Myth: War Is Beneficial

War doesn't benefit its victims.
War does not bring stability.
War doesn't benefit aggressor.
War motives are not noble.
Why End War

War is immoral.
War endangers us.
War threatens the environment.
War erodes our liberties.
War impoverishes us.
We need the $2 trillion / year.
War Is Immoral

When is murder not murder?

 Civilians are dead and injured and refugees.

 One-sided slaughters, not contests on a battlefield.
War Endangers Us.

War planning leads to war.

War making provokes danger.

War's weapons risk intentional or accidental apocalypsis.
War threatens the environment

Wars fought for fossil fuels. Wars associate destruction w/ machismo. Wars fought with fossil fuels. Military top destroyer of environment.
"Freedom" not part of justification. But war justification for abuses. Treating symptoms not enough. Government secrecy from whom?
War Impoverishes Us

Costs to nation attacked.
Direct costs to aggressor.
Indirect costs to aggressor.
Drain to economy.
War increases inequality.
War spending unsustainable.
We Need the $2 Trillion / Year

What wealthy nations could do for themselves. What they could do for the world. How that would make them safer than war does. What they could and must do for the earth. Transition, conversion.
How to End All War

Security without war.

The Abolish War Campaign.

The Resource Center.
Security Without War

Abolish War Campaign

Education and access to accurate information.
Access to information about successes.
A coalition that supports good work.
A mainstream global movement.
Understanding partial steps.
Partial, then full disarmament, conversion.
Close, convert or donate bases.
Democratized militaries.
Ending current wars and occupations.
Bans on particular weapons and tactics.
Bans on foreign weapons sales and gifts.
Diplomacy and law, including prosecutions.
Peace teams and human shields.
Aid and crisis prevention.
Restricting recruitment and providing alternatives.
Replacing war culture with peace culture.
Redirect war taxes.
No secret agencies.
Outlaw profiteering, ban mercenaries.
Encouraging cultural exchange.
Discouraging racism and other forms of bigotry.
Discourage nationalism.
Demonstrations and nonviolent civil resistance.
At WorldBeyondWar.org/ResourceCenter

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flyers, graphics, contests, emails, online actions, quotes, speakers, event tools, shirts, stickers, buttons, music, blue scarves, how to join in.
Sign the Declaration of Peace

I understand that wars and militarism make us less safe rather than protect us, that they kill, injure and traumatize adults, children and infants, severely damage the natural environment, erode civil liberties, and drain our economies, siphoning resources from life-affirming activities. I commit to engage in and support nonviolent efforts to end all war and preparations for war and to create a sustainable and just peace.
1914-2014
100 years of war not ending all war.

Time to give peace a chance?

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