Walk for Gaza CT: May 23-May 25, 2024

On the days leading up to Memorial Day weekend, a diverse coalition of concerned individuals and groups is walking a total of 25 miles (the length of the Gaza strip) in three different locations in the greater New Haven and Bridgeport areas to express our outrage and sorrow at continued U.S. support for Israel's collective punishment against the people of Gaza in the wake of the horrific, brutal attack by HAMAS on October 7, 2023. We demand that:

- 1. The United States government must immediately cease all financial and military aid to the Israeli government for the prosecution of its genocidal war against a civilian population.
- 2. The United States government must cooperate with international agencies to demand an immediate, permanent ceasefire and to facilitate the unimpeded delivery of humanitarian aid to the people of Gaza, with safe passage for aid workers. The U.S. government must restore funding to UNRWA, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees.
- 3. The United States must cooperate with international agencies to ensure the safety of all hostages on both sides and work for their negotiated release.
- 4. The Biden administration and members of Congress must act immediately to achieve these long overdue outcomes, <u>beginning</u> with the cessation of all military aid to the Netanyahu government.

We have written to, met with, and demonstrated outside the offices of our elected officials for more than seven months, calling on them to stop funding and arming this slaughter, which has by now resulted in more than 35,000 dead in Gaza (70% of them women and children), displaced more than a million people, led to famine, and caused the collapse of Gaza's entire health care system.

Instead of positive action, the U.S. has continued to provide billions more dollars in U.S. aid packages to enable this carnage. In addition, citizen protests have been criminalized, slandered and/or repressed in many places.

We hope that this walk will serve as a reminder of the enormity of the crime committed daily in our names as U.S. citizens, with our tax dollars. And we hope the reminder will inspire both individual and long-delayed institutional action.

For more information about the walk or to register and join:



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