Next Step on Ban the Bomb (21 people present)

Notes from the DISARM/End War workshop Friday morning 7/28/17

Leah B. laid out the three pronged goals of World Beyond War: Divestment from the Weapons Companies, International Law, and close military bases.

We then went around the circle to ask for suggestions and new ideas. Here is what we got:

Link up with contacts in other countries to close down bases. Several participants had experienced military bases in Tunisia). Support the Intl Day to Close Military Bases. Study the impact of military bases on women (Gwen Kirk in S. F.) Support conversion of US military bases.

Support the Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty.

Divest from fossil fuel and military companies (see http://www.icanw.org/projects/dont-bank-on-the-bomb/

Stop the F35

Petition city councils and mayors to support the Mayor's for Peace Statement.

Shame the warmongers

Reclaim the UN

Build linkages to other organizations: for example defend refugees by questioning why they have felt the need to flee their country.

Costs of war at home: militarization of police (National Priorities Project)

Support the year long timeline of activities sponsored by Campaign Non-Violence http://www.paceebene.org/programs/campaign-nonviolence/

Support Eleanor Holmes Norton's nuclear abolition bill in Congress.

End the Whole Nuclear Era!!

Educate on roots of war and capitalism.

Foster a culture of Peace. Read the MERIP Report.

Support Nuclear Free Zones.

Acquaint yourself with Vote Smart.

Support protests in other countries.

Build rapport with Nuclear Age Peace Fdn and Roots Action Petitions.

Plan Hiroshima/Nagasaki Days/use petition/talk with Mayors.

At the end we narrowed it down the two goals:

- 1. Campaign to support for the Nuclear Ban Treaty.
- 2. Close military bases

These goals might be seen under the overarching theme of END THE WHOLE NUCLEAR ERA.