



DC Peace Team

Cultivating a Culture of Nonviolent Peacemaking

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DC PEACE TEAM DEPLOYS UNARMED PROTECTION UNIT DURING UNITE THE RIGHT RALLY

In collaboration with the local community, we will be deploying 23 trained persons as an unarmed civilian protection (UCP) unit this Sunday August 12th during the Unite the Right rally in Washington DC. Our UCP units deploy to accompany and protect people, particularly those who are most in danger. Recognizing the dignity of every person, we will seek to interrupt dehumanization, prevent violence, and when possible engage in constructive dialogue. Even when we might disagree with some political positions or strategies used by some people, we still recognize their dignity. Yet, we also recognize that there is constructive conflict, such as expressions of resistance to injustice.

Our unit is very aware of the challenges of this particular event. We hope our local community will work together to accompany and protect each other. We trust in our capacity to care for each other and to illuminate the dignity of each person.

As an organization, the DC Peace Team is committed to increasing the practices of nonviolent conflict and peacemaking in our communities. We offer regular skill training in bystander intervention, restorative justice, nonviolent communication, meditation, community mediation as well as deploy unarmed protection units to situations of potential hostility. DC Peace Team is a member of the national [Shanti Sena Network](#), modeled after Gandhi's original idea of a Peace Army.

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