

TAKE ACTION!



*We're using our grassroots people power to cut ties to the war economy
where investors make a killing on killing.*

THE CAMPAIGN:

We're campaigning to divest Philly from nukes. The following 5 financial institutions manage the city's assets: Strategic Income Management, Lord Abbet High Yield, Fiera Capital, Ariel Capital Holdings, and Northern Trust. **In total, these asset managers have over \$11 billion invested in nukes.** We are urging the Philadelphia Board of Pensions to instruct these asset managers to exclude the [top nuclear weapons producers](#) from its holdings. Until it divests, Philly is propping up the nuclear weapons industry and the war machine.



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Our campaign began in Jan 2019. Our target is the Philadelphia City pension board, a mix of elected and appointed city officials and business leaders. The board has already divested from private prisons and gun manufacturers. It seems logical that the next step would be to divest from the US war machine. We decided that a winnable strategy would be to start with divestment from nuclear weapons as a first step.

OUR STRATEGY:

It turns out that every divestment decision of the Board, with the exception on one, have been imposed by city government. Therefore, our strategy is to lobby both the Board and Philadelphia City Council. The Board seems unlikely to support our proposition, but it is by no means certain. This approach has a few benefits. It is a win, win strategy. It establishes our credibility in that we go, in good faith, to the Board first. If they end up voting in favor, we win. If they do not, which is what we expect based on discussions with their staff, then we move on the Council, which is answerable to the people. Again. We win.



HOW YOU OR YOUR GROUP CAN HELP:

If you are in Philadelphia, you can ask your group to join our coalition.

- Sign our petition as an individual:
- [Sign & share the petition!](#)
<https://actionnetwork.org/letters/divest-philly-from-nukes/>
- For organizations:
- [add your group's name](#) to the sign-on letter.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScGq6N4-1BUJv_tfmw5xiySIKvYQgpRwXM8TXaKNcdjxlyeHw/viewform
- Join us at our monthly meetings on the first Sunday of the month at 2:30pm-3:30pm. Contact us to get the Zoom link!

If you are NOT in Philadelphia, share this information (share this Action Sheet) with people and groups or chapters you know inside Philly.

Find out more: <https://worldbeyondwar.org/divestphilly/>

Spread the word! Look at your City or township. See if they have investments in Nuclear weapons. Use tools on this sheet to begin a divestment campaign too. If you do, let us know.

We can help. If enough cities and municipalities across the country, along with work being done in Congress and international governments around the planet, we can end nuclear weapons once and for all. And then we will do the same things to end the war machine itself.

Together we can change the world!

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COALITION MEMBERS:

[215 Peoples Alliance](#)
[Amnesty International 112](#)
[Baltimore Nonviolence Center](#)
[Beyond the Bomb](#)
[Bryn Mawr Peace Coalition](#)
[Christian-Jewish Allies for Justice in Israel/Palestine, Greater Philadelphia](#)
[Brandywine Peace Community](#)
[CODEPINK](#)
[Environmentalists Against War](#)
[Granny Peace Brigade Philadelphia](#)
[Greater Philadelphia Branch, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom](#)
[Health Care For All Philadelphia](#)
[Jewish Voice for Peace \(JVP\) Philadelphia Chapter](#)
[PA Voter Court Watch](#)
[Peacehome Campaigns](#)
[Peace, Justice, Sustainability NOW!](#)
[Philadelphia Green Party](#)
[Philadelphia Regional Anti-War Network \(PRAWN\)](#)
[Show Up! America](#)
[Solidarity](#)
[The National Network](#)
[Opposing the Militarization of Youth \(NNOMY\)](#)
[United for Peace and Justice](#)
[United Nations Association of Greater Philadelphia](#)
[Veterans For Peace](#)
[Extinction Rebellion Philadelphia](#)
[World BEYOND War](#)
[World Can't Wait](#)

RESOURCES:

[Divest Your City Toolkit:](#)
Template for passing a city council resolution.
[Divest Your School:](#)
University guide for student activists.