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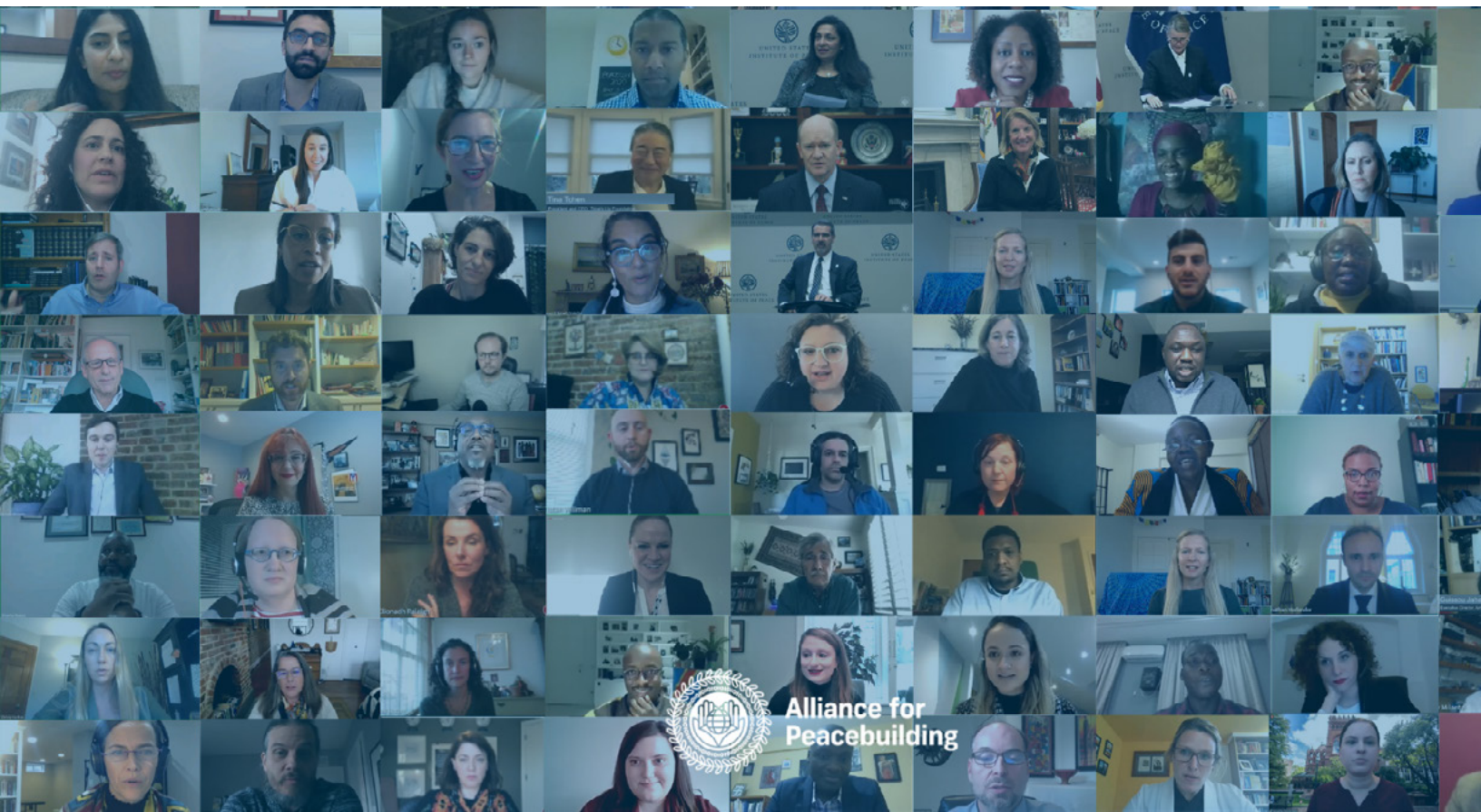
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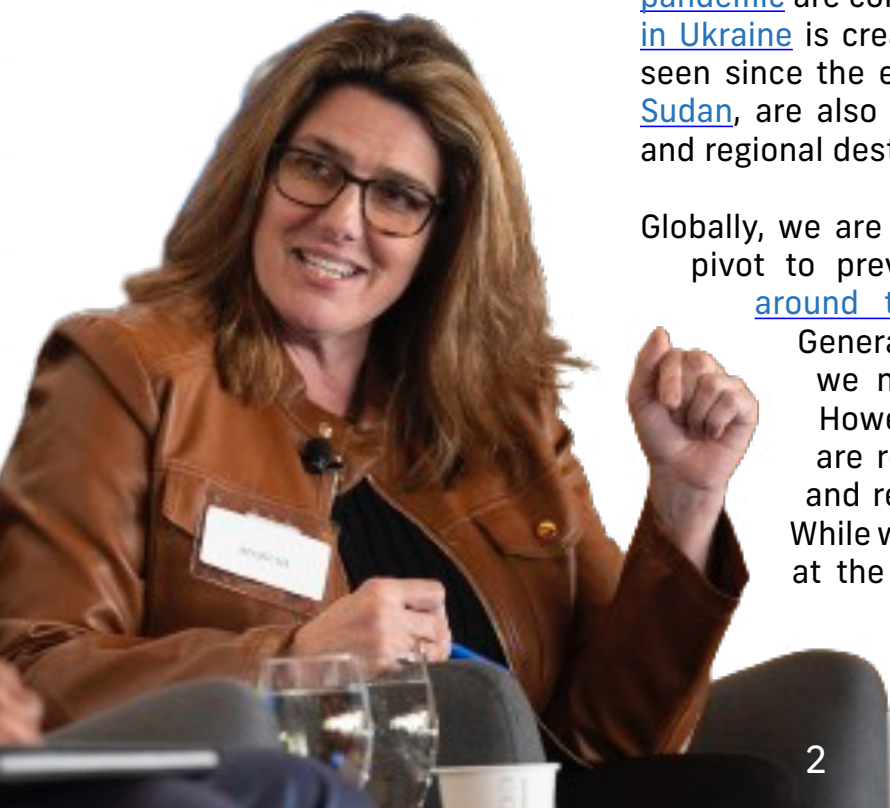
From Our Executive Director

We are grateful that a small group of visionary peacebuilders established the Alliance for Peacebuilding (AfP) over two decades ago. These leaders knew we needed to work together to build and advance the peacebuilding field. In 2022, AfP celebrated its 20th anniversary, and today, AfP's nonpartisan network represents over 190 organizations and more than 30,000 global peacebuilders in 181 countries working to end violent conflict and build sustainable peace across 32 areas of expertise.

AfP continues to be an award-winning organization, and in 2022, AfP was honored to receive the [Warren Knight Distinguished Service Award](#) given by the JAMS Foundation. The award recognized AfP's work addressing the root causes of violence and conflict by bringing together public policy and cross-sectoral partnerships to accelerate collective action and forge innovative, real-world solutions to build sustainable peace. But as I always say, AfP is only as strong as its members, and this award belongs to all of us.

Today, we know preventing and reducing global violent conflict is one of the most significant challenges of our time. In [2018](#), violence, violent conflict, and fragility reached an all-time high and continue to increase, with [two billion people](#) living in countries affected by conflict and an estimated [360 million people](#) needing humanitarian assistance and protection this year—the highest figure in decades. Due to conflict and fragility, atrocities are occurring in [16 countries](#), and several more are at great risk of genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, or ethnic cleansing. [Climate change](#), [food insecurity](#), and the reverberating impacts of the [COVID-19 pandemic](#) are compounding conflict dynamics. While the [war in Ukraine](#) is creating tectonic geopolitical policy shifts not seen since the end of the Cold War, new wars, such as in [Sudan](#), are also adding to widespread humanitarian crises and regional destabilization.

Globally, we are facing a poly-crisis and require an urgent pivot to prevention and peacebuilding. Leaders from [around the globe](#), including the UN Secretary-General and [President Biden](#), repeatedly state we need to build peace and prevent conflict. However, conflict prevention and peacebuilding are routinely considered “second-order issues” and remain under-resourced and not prioritized. While we need to be able to address ongoing crises, at the same time, prevention and peacebuilding must be first-order issues and integrated robustly into policies, laws, development assistance, and diplomacy. To meet



these challenges, AfP developed a [10-year Fieldbuilding Strategy](#) to strengthen and advance the peacebuilding field, which is critical to turning the tide of increasing violent conflict and fragility.

Our 2022 Annual Report tells the story of AfP's work implementing this new Strategy, including building a cadre of peacebuilding champions to support the U.S. Global Fragility Act and ensuring these innovations are integrated globally from the UN's New Agenda to Peace to other bilateral donors. AfP is also developing evidence-based standards so that policymakers and organizations can ensure better evidence correlates to better programming and policies, as reflected in AfP's expanded and digitized Eirene Peacebuilding Database®. AfP is elevating its leadership to advance atrocities prevention by leading the [Prevention and Protection Working Group](#) and supporting the implementation of the Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act and U.S. Strategy to Anticipate, Prevent, and Respond to Atrocities.

Through groundbreaking narrative research, AfP and its members are also working on rebranding and reframing peacebuilding and mobilizing collective action. AfP's annual PeaceCon, in partnership with USIP, has grown from a small retreat of a few peacebuilding leaders to now, over a decade later, a gathering of 1,600+ participants from 120 countries, representing a dynamic cross-section of civil society, bilateral and multilateral donors, policymakers, lawmakers, philanthropy, the private sector, and academia. PeaceCon@10's hashtag #RiseToBuildPeace had over 21 million social media impressions, demonstrating AfP's global influence and reach.

While AfP and the peacebuilding field have come a long way in the last two decades, much work remains. This robust, committed, and growing community proves we do not have to accept that violent conflict and fragility are inevitable and that building peace is possible in faraway places and in neighborhoods just down the street. But peace doesn't just happen; we have to build it. Join us!



Liz Hume
Executive Director



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*Our Vision,
Our Mission,*
Who We Are

While conflict exists everywhere, we do not have to accept that violent conflict is inevitable. AfP demonstrates through its dedicated and expanding community that we can foster peace both globally and locally. AfP's efforts focus on promoting the integration of peacebuilding into policies, programs, laws, social norms, relationships, and narratives, contributing to a more peaceful world.

AfP, named the "[number one influencer and change agent](#)" among peacebuilding institutions worldwide, is an award-winning nonprofit and nonpartisan network of 190+ organizations working in 181 countries to prevent and reduce violent conflict and build sustainable peace. AfP cultivates a network to strengthen and advance the peacebuilding field, enabling peacebuilding organizations to achieve greater impact—tackling issues too large for any one organization to address alone.

We envision a world where all citizens, sectors, governments, multilateral organizations, and corporations are global champions for building sustainable peace and preventing violent conflict. We strive for a fundamental change in policies, development assistance, and collective action so that peacebuilding and conflict and atrocities prevention are the tools of first resort, cutting the number of fragile states and violent conflict on a global scale in half by 2035.

To address these challenges, AfP developed its 10-year [Fieldbuilding Strategy](#) in 2022 to advance and strengthen the peacebuilding field. AfP's Fieldbuilding Strategy elevates the following strategic priorities.

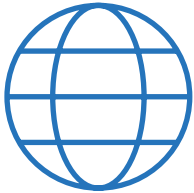
We Are The Alliance for...



Accelerating collective action through collaboration and exchange



Advocating for policies, laws, and funding to advance the peacebuilding field



Creating standards of practice to align peacebuilding around common tools, frameworks, and approaches



Developing an evidence base to ensure better policies and practices



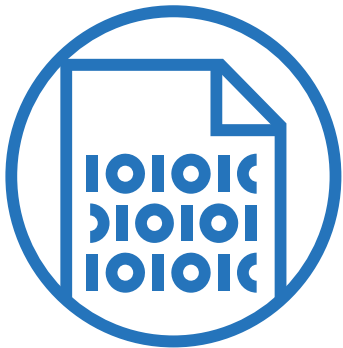
Shaping new narratives to develop and amplify effective peacebuilding messaging

We advance our fieldbuilding efforts through our technical capacities in Partnerships and Convening, Learning and Evidence, and Policy and Advocacy.



Partnerships & Convenings

AfP forges strong cross-sectoral partnerships within and outside the peacebuilding field to expand our collective reach, advance multi-disciplinary learning, and elevate peacebuilding expertise and approaches on the global stage.



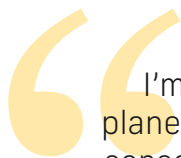
Learning & Evidence

AfP leads the field to embrace a more adaptive and rigorous evaluative culture to collectively address Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) challenges, prove impact, and understand what works.



Policy & Advocacy

AfP advocates and educates to ensure conflict and atrocities prevention, violence reduction, and peacebuilding best practices and research correlate to better policies, legal frameworks, programming, and resources.



I'm one of the lucky few that has had the good fortune to see our planet Earth from space. And a sentiment that I want to pass on is a sense of hope, a feeling of connectedness, a willingness to be open to new ideas and perspectives, and the commitment to work together for our common goal of peace across this globe. AfP's work is vital to stitch together the complex constellation of peacebuilding efforts so that together we can be more impactful than any one of us can achieve alone. Alone, it is easy to feel hopeless, but together we can do anything."

- Charles Bolden

AfP Board Vice Chair; Former Administrator, NASA



Accelerating Collective Action



Complex social problems require significant collaboration and organizations, and networks must work together collaboratively and collectively for the benefit of the entire field. However, creating a collective network requires robust engagement, development, and investment and it does not happen organically. Fieldbuilding requires intentionally harmonizing and advancing the actions of organizations focused on addressing both specific problems (e.g., gender mainstreaming) and broad issue areas (e.g., women, peace, and security). Facilitating collective action and achieving collective impact requires creating inclusive spaces to engage, learn, collaborate, and foster joint action to shape the field so that together we can tackle issues too large for any one organization to address alone.

Accelerating Collective Action



Convening PeaceCon@10

AfP mobilizes the peacebuilding field through its annual PeaceCon conference in partnership with USIP. [PeaceCon@10, COVID, Climate, and Conflict: Rising to the Challenges of a Disrupted World](#), was held January 26-28, 2022. The conference featured more diverse topics and perspectives than ever before. PeaceCon@10 brought in more than 1,600 participants from 120 countries, representing a dynamic cross-section of civil society, bilateral and multilateral donors, law and policymakers, philanthropists, academics, and the private sector. PeaceCon's hashtag #RiseToBuildPeace reached nearly 21 million people. Watch a video recap [here](#).

Working Groups and Coalitions

AfP's [working groups](#) cultivate strong alliances of experts and members to spearhead innovation, disseminate best practices, and advocate for improved policies and programs. AfP, in partnership with its members, led seven working groups and coalitions in 2022:

- [Global Fragility Act Coalition](#)
- [Preventing/Countering Violent Extremism \(P/CVE\)](#)
- [U.S. Peace, Justice, and Democracy](#)
- [Environment, Climate, Change, and Conflict](#)
- [Digital Peacebuilding](#)
- [Conflict Sensitivity and Integration](#)
- [Locally-Led Peacebuilding](#)

Ensuring Peer Learning

In partnership with Porticus, AfP works to advance the Inter-religious Dialogue (IRD) field by leading the Peer Learning Community for Evaluation of Interreligious Dialogue Initiatives (PLC). The PLC undertakes extensive, rigorous evaluations, and AfP provides accompaniment and support to capture key learnings to inform and strengthen the broader field of IRD.



AfP continues to play a crucial role in supporting the peacebuilding field

to have a larger impact than any one organization can have on its own. Now more than ever we need to mobilize for peace across many sectors and constituencies. We cannot allow cynicism or despair to take hold. Peace is possible! And AfP offers an important platform to get involved with peacebuilding and to collectively stem the rising tide of violence and division."

- **Julia Roig**

AfP Board Chair; Founder & Chief Network Weaver, The Horizons Project



Convening Public-Facing Events

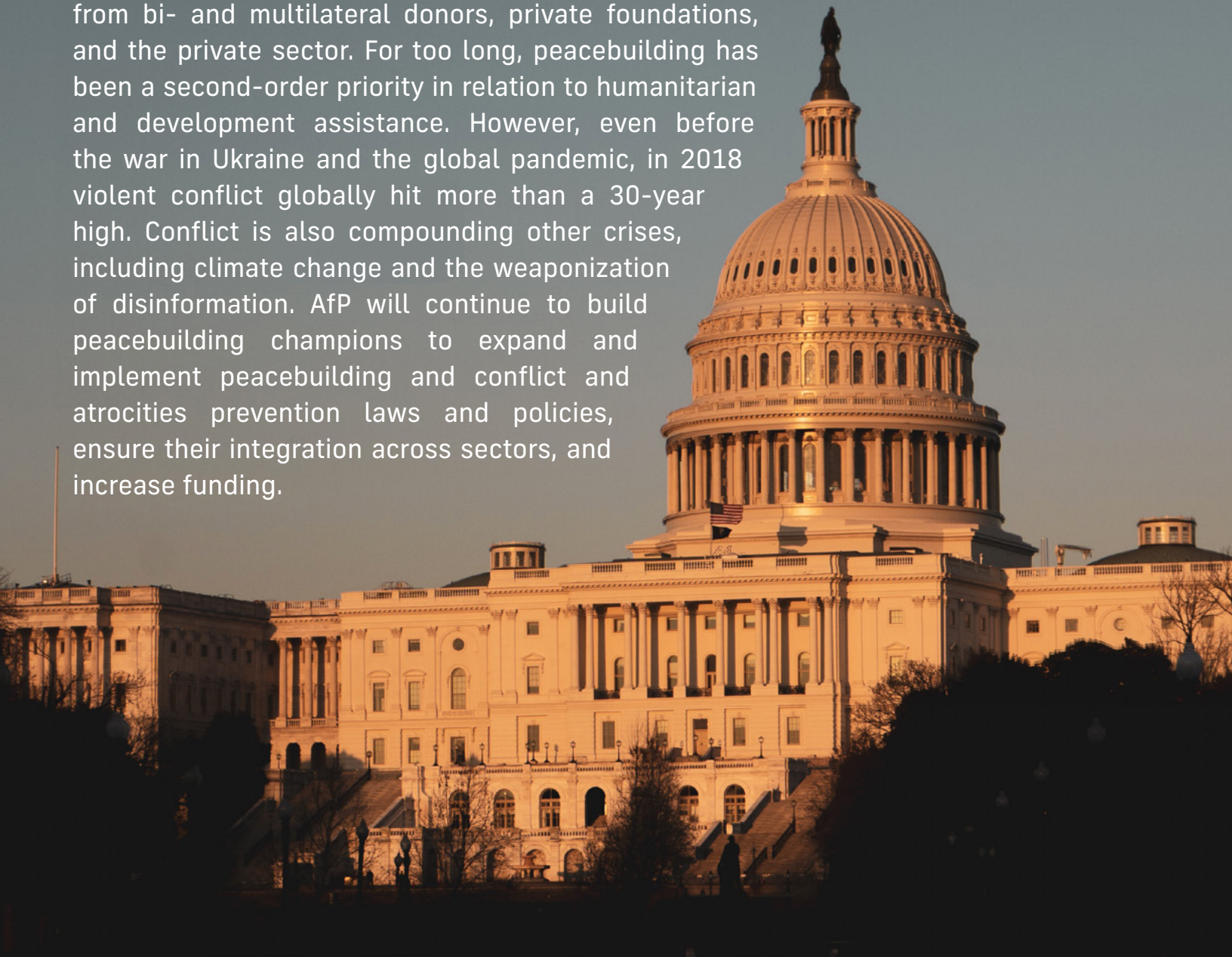
AfP held numerous events on issues including [food insecurity](#) as a driver and consequence of conflict, [the role of religious actors in diplomacy](#), forming a [collective international response to non-state armed groups](#), peacebuilding in the face of [increasing ecological threats](#), and the [fight against misinformation](#). AfP also convened policy-to-action networking events, including co-hosting the [Evidence Summit on Impactful Interreligious Action](#) and the launches of the [GFA priority countries/region](#), the State Department's [Negotiation Support Unit](#), and the Ecological Threat Register.

In collaboration with Humanity United and the Peace and Security Funders Group, AfP hosted a high-level roundtable convening featuring senior officials from multi and bilateral institutions and civil society to understand and address the tectonic shifts in global peace and security due to the Ukraine war and compounding issues. The convening emphasized the importance of prioritizing a prevention-based approach across all sectors and assistance, developing a new peacebuilding architecture, and increasing the general public's understanding and support for peacebuilding and conflict prevention. These aspects were prominently featured in our annual PeaceCon.



Advocating for Laws, Policies, & Funding

To unlock the field's potential and progress toward greater impact at scale, we need an enabling policy and legal environment and dedicated funding globally including from bi- and multilateral donors, private foundations, and the private sector. For too long, peacebuilding has been a second-order priority in relation to humanitarian and development assistance. However, even before the war in Ukraine and the global pandemic, in 2018 violent conflict globally hit more than a 30-year high. Conflict is also compounding other crises, including climate change and the weaponization of disinformation. AfP will continue to build peacebuilding champions to expand and implement peacebuilding and conflict and atrocities prevention laws and policies, ensure their integration across sectors, and increase funding.



Advocating for Laws, Policies, & Funding

Publishing Public Statements, Op-Eds, and Policy Briefs

In the media, AfP authored several op-eds and blog posts and received extensive news coverage on addressing challenges to peacebuilding, including how to [advance locally-led policies](#) and [successfully implement the GFA](#). AfP also released [numerous public statements](#) on pressing global crises and conflict prevention from Ukraine to the GFA and funding prevention and peacebuilding.

AfP published several actionable [policy briefs](#) on topics including the integration of [conflict prevention and climate change](#) and advancing [locally-led peacebuilding](#) from policy into action. AfP released a [Global Call to Action](#) on Ukraine and, in partnership with key women's rights and humanitarian organizations, published two policy briefs on [women's and girls' rights](#) and [humanitarian needs](#) in Afghanistan.

Ensuring Robust Implementation of the Global Fragility Act (GFA)

Signed into law on December 20, 2019, the GFA represents a historic victory for the peacebuilding field that puts peacebuilding and conflict prevention at the center of U.S. strategy in five priority contexts. As co-leader of the [GFA Coalition](#), in partnership with Mercy Corps, AfP conducted extensive consultations to formulate comprehensive recommendations and published a [policy brief](#) on key operational reforms needed to successfully implement the GFA, such as addressing procurement barriers, funding earmarks, and localization.

Advocating for Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Funding

AfP and its members secured significant funding increases in key U.S. and United Nations peacebuilding accounts for FY23, including USAID's Democracy Fund, the State Department's Human Rights and Democracy Fund, and the Prevention and Stabilization Fund. Additionally, AfP helped increase resources for implementing the Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act and the Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) Act.



We are greatly indebted to the talented and critical role Alliance for Peacebuilding plays in Washington DC, in the United States and across the world. Few, if any organizations have been as vocal of the need to invest more in peacebuilding as AfP, or as active in sharing information, resources and supporting the work of peacebuilding organizations and practitioners worldwide."

- **Michael Collins**

Executive Director, IEP, The Americas





Advocating and Educating on Critical Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Issues

In 2022, AfP began preparing to assume leadership of the [Prevention and Protection Working Group](#) (PPWG), a coalition of over 100 organizations and 250 atrocity prevention experts dedicated to improving policies and advancing the atrocity prevention agenda to ensure successful implementation of legal frameworks and the development of innovative global standards.

Integrating Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Across Sectors

To address chronic siloing and underfunding in the peacebuilding field, AfP in partnership with Saferworld and MSI, a Tetra Tech company, launched the [Conflict Sensitivity and Integration Working Group](#) to support collective efforts to integrate conflict sensitivity and peacebuilding in all sectors, laws, strategies, policies, and programming. AfP and its members also strongly advocate for integrating conflict prevention in the climate change and technology sectors by developing and publishing several policy briefs and launching communities of practice, including the [Environment, Climate Change, and Conflict Working Group](#) and the [Digital Peacebuilding Community of Practice](#). AfP's recommendations were reflected in the final version of [USAID's Climate Strategy](#).

Promoting Locally-Led Peacebuilding

In addition to publishing several policy briefs and articles on the topic of locally-led peacebuilding, AfP also engaged members of the 117th Congress. AfP helped organize and provided talking points, expert recommendations, written testimony, and questions to the House Foreign Affairs Committee's Subcommittee on International Development, International Organizations, and Global Corporate Social Impact for its March hearing on [Shifting the Power: USAID's Efforts to Support Locally-Led Development](#). AfP convened several members-only roundtables to discuss the [New Partnerships Initiative Authorization Act](#) and provided feedback to the Senate version to inform the House companion bill. AfP also provided substantial input and recommendations on USAID's [Local Capacity Strengthening Policy](#) and created a localization workstream in the GFA Coalition.

Leveraging Digital Technology for Peacebuilding and Prevention

AfP's [Digital Peacebuilding Community of Practice](#) featured sessions on [ethically using social media data](#) to inform peacebuilding and mediation programming, working with the [ConnexUs platform](#), [using digital tools](#) to improve child protection, [expanding local expertise](#) in the use of emerging technologies, and [shifting the influencer model](#) to promote peace.



Elevating Peacebuilding Through Multilateral Engagement

AfP is a member of the [Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding](#) (CSPPS) and its executive committee. Through this leadership, AfP engages regularly with the [International Dialogue for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding](#) (IDPS). The IDPS, coordinated by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), is a high-level political dialogue forum that includes bilateral donors, G7+ members, and civil society. AfP also worked with key partners to submit recommendations to integrate peacebuilding and conflict prevention programming and funding to address climate change, gender inequality, and increasing violence globally before the G7 and G20 summits.

AfP co-hosted with USIP, The Stimson Center, Refugees International, and the United Nations Association of the National Capital Area a convening, which resulted in a policy [brief](#) on actions needed by the Biden Administration to renew U.S. leadership with the UN on peace and security.

Advancing a Material Support Fix

AfP leads the Material Support Working Group to educate Members of Congress to build champions for a legislative fix to the material support prohibition, which inhibits the delivery of peacebuilding and humanitarian assistance. The group crafted language and recommendations for the Department of Treasury to advance a blanket global general license for peacebuilding and humanitarian aid. Released in December 2022, a [series of licenses](#) incorporated AfP's language and successfully included protections for peacebuilding and related activities.





Standards are essential to professionalize and strengthen a field. Adhering to field-validated standards will improve peacebuilding practice, guarantee the quality and fidelity of peacebuilding programming, safeguard the rights and dignity of those we serve, and ensure accountability to beneficiaries, donors, and the field. The peacebuilding field has a pressing need to develop and adopt more robust and explicit standards and practical tools for their application. It requires more than good values, morals, and principles to ensure our programs and policies do not exacerbate conflict dynamics and do guarantee the dignity, rights, and well-being of our community—both those we serve and each other.

Creating Standards of Practice



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Advancing Standards in Peacebuilding Research Ethics

AfP laid a solid foundation for establishing field-wide standards in peacebuilding research ethics by developing a chapter entitled “[Why the Peacebuilding Field Needs Clear and Accessible Standards of Research Ethics](#),” detailing six practical standards for ethically-informed research in the Oxford University Press book, *Wicked Problems: The Ethics of Action for Peace, Rights, and Justice*. AfP will continue to socialize and validate these standards and ensure the peacebuilding field adopts and integrates them.



The Eirene Peacebuilding Database

Developing the Eirene Peacebuilding Database

In 2022, AfP upgraded the [Eirene Peacebuilding Database](#)[®] into an interactive and participatory platform that provides users multiple new user-friendly features. These new features will allow AfP to capture real-time indicators used across the field to inform future research and programs on best practices and standardized measurement. Once released, AfP will expand the database to include new indicators, extending from 3,381 to over 10,000 indicators in 2023.



Advancing Partnerships to Support Fieldwide Principles for Peace

AfP formally joined the [Covenant for Peacemaking](#) in partnership with the [Principles for Peace](#). This collaboration aims to catalyze practical, long-term, and equitable partnerships that orient peacemaking efforts toward the co-creation of sustainable solutions by actors operating at international, national, and local levels. AfP will develop, test, and implement this new unified and inclusive framework for action across our field, and integrate our work into this framework.

Publishing the #CreativityInCrisis (#CiC) Video Series

AfP's [#CreativityInCrisis video series](#) highlights innovative, local, and practical solutions to global DM&E challenges. This series allows AfP to spotlight creative research methodologies and novel solutions to complex problems while amplifying voices from the frontlines and creating a culture of shared learning. With 3,000+ views across social media and growing, AfP's #CreativityInCrisis video series currently includes 12 videos, each 5-7 minutes long, covering a wide range of topics.

Supporting Inter-Religious Action (IRA)

Religious communities, including religious actors and faith-based organizations (FBOs), are critical stakeholders to building peace,

but they can also drive conflict. However, they are underutilized, and it is vital we develop an evidence base to advance effective engagement and partnership with religious communities. AfP leads the [Effective Inter-Religious Action in Peacebuilding Program](#) (EIAP II), working to develop an evidence-based approach so that inter-religious action can be an important contributor to prevent and reduce conflict and build sustainable peace. In 2022, AfP co-hosted the [Evidence Summit on Impactful Interreligious Action](#) in partnership with USAID's [Local Faith and Transformative Partnerships Hub](#), bringing together more than 400 FBOs, donors, and experts.

Promoting Justice, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (JDEIA)

AfP is committed to implementing JDEIA throughout our organization and our members. While promoting JDEIA is the right thing, it is also smart because [substantial research](#) shows that more diverse and inclusive organizations are more [innovative](#) and [impactful](#). Additionally, advancing JDEIA is critical to preventing and reducing violent conflict and fragility and building sustainable peace.

AfP conducts, supports, and publishes inclusive research and data, most notably on leadership diversity in the peacebuilding field, and advocates for greater transparency on this [issue](#). AfP also maintains a [JDEIA digest](#), an up-to-date compilation of recent organizational statements, research, and policy developments, and hosts meetings with our members to discuss innovative ways to promote JDEIA within our network. AfP is also a champion of advancing the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in practice and policy, and ensuring the Global Fragility Act and other laws and policies [robustly integrate](#) WPS.

AfP routinely presents at forums and conferences to support JDEIA, including providing the keynote address at USIP's [Amplifying Women's Voices in Peacebuilding](#) event. Our flagship annual PeaceCon included sessions on "Empowering Local Women

Peacebuilders Through Equitable Funding," "New Approaches: Racial Justice and Equity in U.S. Foreign Policy and Peacebuilding," and "Equitable Partnerships in Action: Making Changes Today." AfP also seeks greater diversity of speakers and perspectives in AfP convenings by requiring gender-inclusive sessions and encouraging amplifying local voices. AfP also commits to not participating in sessions that are not gender inclusive.

AfP recognizes [Champions of Change](#), highlighting organizations developing and implementing practical and achievable actions promoting JDEIA. Awardees in 2022 include [Women of Color Advancing Peace, Security, and Conflict Transformation](#) (WCAPS) and [InterAction](#).

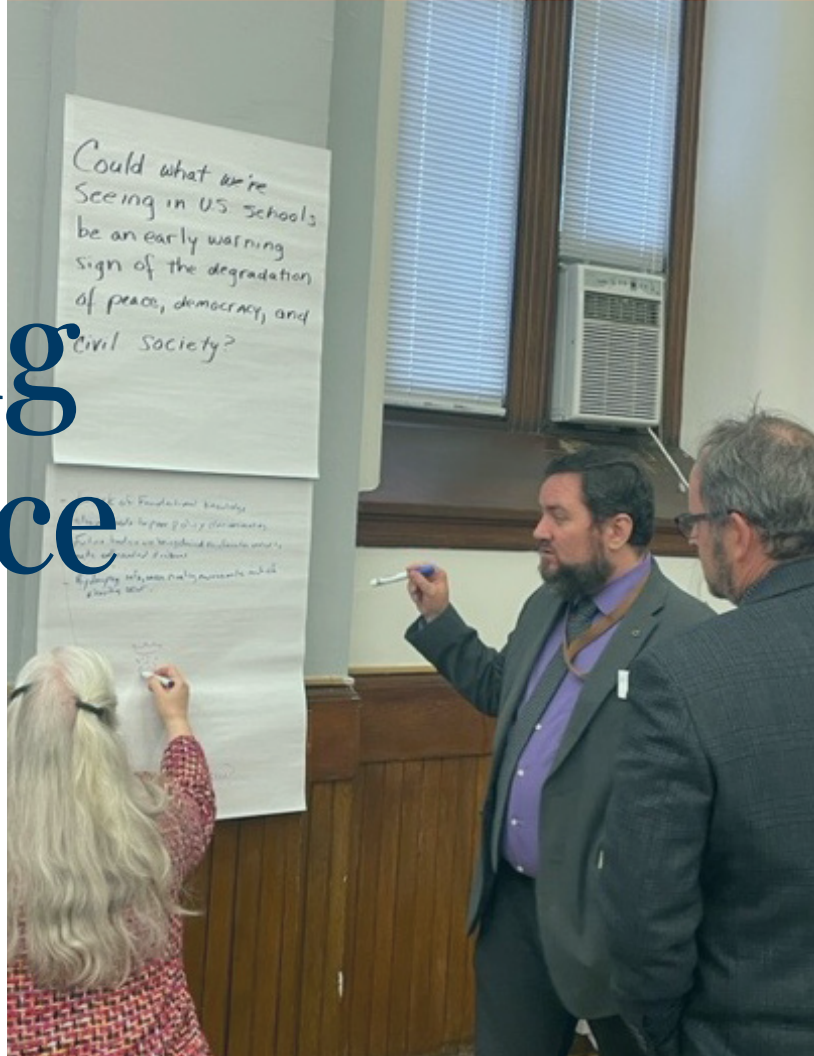
Collective action is key to promoting JDEIA, and AfP supports coalitions, including becoming a signatory of the [Coalition for Racial and Ethnic Equity in Development](#) (CREED) pledge. AfP is also a member of the JDEIA Peacebuilding Practitioner Group, convened by the United States Institute of Peace and Humanity United, which works to embed and sustain JDEIA values in the peacebuilding and peacemaking fields.

“Our goal as Nonviolent Peaceforce is to amplify civilian voices and leadership in peace and protection actions and conversations. The spaces to strategize, coordinate, and advocate that AfP creates for us as a member organization are critical to realizing this aim. From Sudan, to Ukraine, to Myanmar and beyond, being part of AfP strengthens our capacity to build peace in collaborative and meaningful ways.”

- **Felicity Gray**
Global Head of Policy & Advocacy, Nonviolent Peaceforce



Developing an Evidence Base



Developing a credible and accessible evidence base that confirms the efficacy of peacebuilding practice is crucial to building the field. Too much is at stake in fragile and conflict-affected settings to not understand the impact of peacebuilding programming. If we can identify where peacebuilding programming has directly correlated to peacebuilding outcomes, then we will be better able to ground peacebuilding programming and policy in evidence.

Developing an Evidence Base

Publishing Innovative Research

Conflict is not something that only happens overseas, and the Global North, including the United States, must take urgent action to address increasing conflict dynamics. AfP released a report, [Assessing the State of U.S. Democracy, Rule of Law, and Social Cohesion](#), resulting from a survey of over 160 leading peacebuilding and conflict experts. Unsurprisingly, survey participants found that conflict dynamics are rapidly increasing in the U.S., and “the dissemination and abuse of dis/ misinformation,” “toxic partisan polarization,” and “ongoing systemic racism” were identified as the top three major issues contributing to democratic decline and conflict in the U.S. Respondents highlighted possible recommendations to address these issues, including “election reform including voter protection,” “strengthening social cohesion between urban and rural populations,” “civic education and engagement,” and “investing in news literacy efforts to help Americans become better consumers of news.”

AfP serves as a Principle Investigator on the [USAID Armed Conflict and Violence \(AC&V\) Learning Agenda](#). This initiative operates through the [Purdue LASER-PULSE](#) mechanism to develop and research an AC&V learning agenda to establish the evidence base for effective approaches to AC&V prevention, identify opportunities for investments by USAID’s Center for Conflict and Violence Prevention (CVP) that would produce new knowledge to fill gaps in the existing literature, provide USAID staff with events, tools, resources, and guidance to incorporate learning agenda findings into their work, and conduct original research into AC&V prevention.

AfP is leading research on Preventing/Countering Violent Extremism (P/CVE), Conflict Sensitivity (CS), and Measurement of AC&V prevention, mitigation, and reduction programming. By conducting rigorous systematic mixed-method reviews, AfP is working with USAID to influence programming policies in USAID’s Bureau for Conflict Prevention and Stabilization and CVP Center and will complete the findings from these research efforts in 2023 with broad dissemination following.

Disseminating New Research

AfP’s blog, [Research Talks with L&E](#), summarizes new research, synthesizes key findings into short blog posts, and discusses their implications for the field—connecting new research to programming, practice, or other endeavors to build peace.

“Alliance for Peacebuilding stepped into a Leadership role for the Sustaining Peace (SDG 16) Workstream within PaRD not long after becoming a member in 2022. The Workstream has benefitted from their engagement since then, with members expressing interest in joining and learning from their Evidence Summit held in December 2022 and of course PeaceCon 2023 in May. At the PaRD Secretariat we are grateful for AfP’s ongoing work to increase our engagement with SDG 16-focused organisations that would be new to PaRD and also deepening links with existing PaRD members with whom AfP also work. We are hopeful that AfP can contribute to PaRD’s Leadership team for years to come.”

- **PaRD** (International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development)

Shaping & Amplifying New Narratives

The peacebuilding field has not been effective in its collective messaging, struggling to successfully communicate what peacebuilding is and why it matters. Peacebuilding is often perceived as an intangible and passive end state rather than an active, interconnected, and vital part of global policies and laws impacting assistance and diplomacy. As opposed to other development assistance sectors ex: health and humanitarian, the peacebuilding field must consistently argue for including peacebuilding and conflict prevention in laws, policies, programming, and funding. Additionally, the current media environment is overwhelmingly negative and emphasizes conflict and violence, which creates a climate of fear and a lack of agency and hope. Social science research shows that crisis and negative messaging generate a culture of fear, causing people to shut down. We can promote a cultural shift toward peacebuilding by identifying, developing, and deploying common framing strategies. Reframing can change how we and the field communicate and message about peacebuilding to make the case and build peacebuilding champions—with policymakers, lawmakers, and the public.



Shaping & Amplifying New Narratives

Building Peacebuilding Communications

AfP optimizes the reach of our members and peacebuilding organizations through our large social media following. Throughout 2022, AfP saw tremendous growth in our social media presence that amplifies peacebuilding messaging and calls to action with more than 68,000 followers—a net increase of almost 13,000 since 2021.

On September 21st, International Day of Peace, AfP conducted a campaign across its membership and strategic partners under the hashtag #PeacebuildingInAction. The recommendations of AfP's peace framing research informed the campaign, including the need to portray peace as active and through tangible examples. The messaging achieved hundreds of thousands of impressions on social media.

AfP's [Peace: We Build It! Podcast](#) goes beyond the headlines to understand what drives conflict and how to prevent and reduce it and build sustainable peace. Episodes in 2022 explored topics including the increasing conflict in the U.S., the growing threat of cybersecurity and its impact on conflict, sexual violence as a weapon of war and how to prevent it, how to reframe peacebuilding narratives, and the importance of the security of women and LGBTQ+ communities, which impacts peace and security for all of society. The series has been downloaded more than 2,500 times.

Reframing the Narrative of Peacebuilding

In 2022, AfP, PartnersGlobal, and The FrameWorks Institute released [new research](#) on framing strategies for peace and peacebuilding. This multi-year, multi-method research gathered data from the American public and peacebuilding experts to determine which narrative frameworks best make the case for peacebuilding in foreign affairs. To strengthen peacebuilders' capacity in narrative construction, AfP is working to reframe peacebuilding as active and interconnected and not only focused on crisis messaging. Moving forward, AfP is working with the Horizons Project to design a platform that will deploy this new research in 2023.



AfP Organizational Members



181
countries



30,000+
peacebuilders



28%
local orgs



84%
local peacebuilding

Acquaint

Adapt Peacebuilding

African Coaching Network

Aid Gate Organization

AidKonekt Data (formerly
Konektid)

Alliance for International Youth
Development (AIYD)

Alliance For Middle East Peace
(ALLMEP)

Amani Institute

American Friends Service
Committee (AFSC)

American University,
International Peace and Conflict
Resolution Program (IPCR)

Arcadia University, International
Peace and Conflict Resolution
Program

Armed Conflict & Event Data
Project (ACLED)

The Asia Foundation

Association Haitienne de
Solidarité (ASHAS)

Association Jeunesse pour la
Paix et la Non violence (AJPNV)

Avila University The Buchanan
Initiative for Peace and
Nonviolence (BIPN)

Aware Girls

Baker Institute for Peace &
Conflict Studies at Juniata
College

Beyond Conflict

Binghamton University, Institute
for Genocide and Mass Atrocity
Prevention (I-GMAP)

Brandeis University, Graduate
Programs in Coexistence and
Conflict

Bridge USA
The Bridgeway Group

Build Up

The Carter Center

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

CDA Collaborative Learning
Projects

Center for Conservation
Peacebuilding (Cpeace)

Center for Media Peace
Initiatives*

Center for Non-violent Solutions

Center for Policy Analysis (Horn
of Africa)

Charity & Security Network

Chemonics International

Children's Peace Initiative-Kenya

Church of the Brethren Office of
Peacebuilding and Policy

Citizens for Global Solutions

Civil Society Platform for
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(CSPPS)

Civilian Peace Service Canada
(CPSC)

Colors of Connection

Communities Organizing
For Haitian Engagement &
Development*

Conciliation Resources

Conducive Space for Peace

Conservation International (CI)

Cordaid

Counterpart International

Creating Friendships for Peace

Creative Associates International

Crossing Party Lines

Cure Violence

DAI

Dexis Consulting Group	Global Peace Building Foundation (GPBF)	Transformation at Middlebury College Pact
Digital Peace Now	Global Peace Foundation	Kennesaw State University, School of Conflict Management Peacebuilding and Development
DT Global	Hands Across the Hills	Kent State University School of Peace & Conflict Studies
Eastern Mennonite University (EMU), Center for Justice & Peacebuilding	Harvard Law School, Program on Negotiation (PON)	Life & Peace Institute
The Educators' Institute for Human Rights (EIHR)	The Horizons Project	Love for Life
Environmental Law Institute (ELI)	Ideas Beyond Borders	Management Systems International, Inc. (MSI)
Environmental Peacebuilding Association (Enpax)	Ideos Institute	Martti Ahtisaari Foundation (Formerly Crisis Management Initiative)
Envision Zimbabwe Women's Trust	Initiatives of Change USA	Mediators Beyond Borders International (MBBI)
Equal Access International	Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)	Mennonite Central Committee
European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO)	Institute For Integrated Transitions (IFIT)	Mercy Corps
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Free Watch Afghanistan	InterAction	Movilizadorio
Friends Committee On National Legislation (FCNL)	International Alert	Muslim Community Network
Fund for Peace	International Association of Practitioners of Process Oriented Psychology (IAPOP)	NAFSA: Association Of International Educators
Generations For Peace	International Center for Religion & Diplomacy (ICRD)	National Association for Community Mediation (NAFCM)
Generations Without Qat (GWQ)	International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN)	Navanti Group
George Mason University, Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution	International Storytelling Center (ISC)	Neem Foundation
George Washington University, Gender Equality Initiative in International Affairs (GEIA)	Interpeace	Network for Religious and Traditonal Peacemakers
GHR Foundation	The Iraqi Institution for Development	Never Again Coalition
Global Communities	IREX	New York University, School of Professional Studies, Peace Research and Education Program
Global Cyber Alliance	Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)	NewGen Peacebuilders
Global Media Foundation	Karuna Center For Peacebuilding	
Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC)	Kathryn Wasserman Davis Collaborative in Conflict	

Nonviolent Peaceforce	Programme d'Appui à la Lutte contre la Pauvreté pour l'Emergence et la Restauration d'un développement durable	Transparency, Accountability, & Participation (TAP) Network
Nuru International		UC Irvine, Center for Citizen Peacebuilding
One Earth Future Foundation, Inc.	Proximity International	United Nations Association Of The National Capital Area (UNA-NCA)
Open Art Space	Purdue Peace Project (PPP)/Purdue Policy Research Institute	University of Denver, Conflict Resolution Institute
Outward Bound Center for Peacebuilding	Quaker United Nations Office, New York (QUNO)	University of Massachusetts-Boston, Department of Conflict Resolution, Human Security, and Global Governance
Over Zero	RAHO Somalia	University of Melbourne, Initiative for Peacebuilding
Pakistan Partnership Initiative (PPI)	Refugees International	University of Notre Dame (UND), Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies
Palladium Group	Renew Democracy Initiative	University of San Diego, Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies
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PartnersGlobal	Rotary Peace Fellowship	Urban Rural Action
Pax Christi International	Rural Education and Agriculture Organization	War Prevention Initiative
PCDNetwork	Saferworld	War Stories Peace Stories
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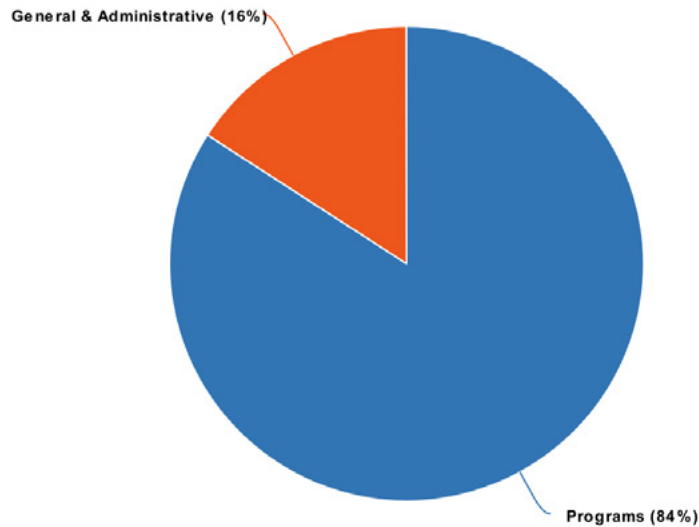
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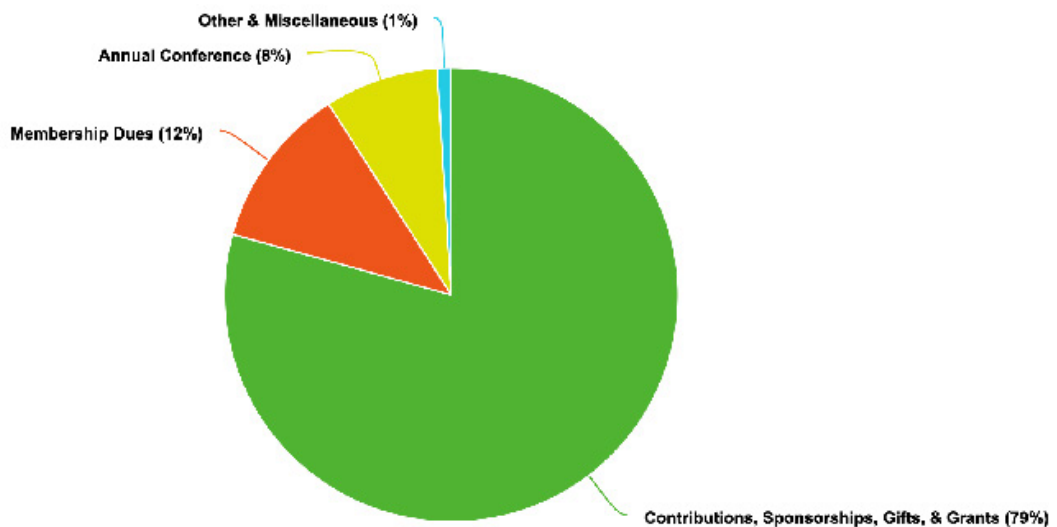
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