

Peacebuilding

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∃ Because peace doesn't just happen. We build it. Join us!

While conflict exists everywhere, we do not have to accept that violent conflict is inevitable. The Alliance for Peacebuilding's (AfP) robust, committed, and growing community proves that building peace is possible in faraway places and in neighborhoods just down the street. AfP is building and advancing the peacebuilding field to center peace in our policies, programs, and laws, as well as in our social norms, our relationships, and our narratives, through our new fieldbuilding strategy.

We are the Alliance for:



Accelerating collective action through collaboration and exchange.



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



Developing an evidence base and standards of practice for better policies and practices and aligning the field on shared approaches



Shaping new narratives to develop and amplify effective peacebuilding messaging.

We need to focus on upstream conflict prevention and fundamentally reframe the manner in which we approach these issues. Ultimately, we should aim to reduce the number of chronically unstable countries by half by the year 2030."

-Representative Gregory Meeks, Chair of the House Foreign Affairs Committee Ending violent conflict is one of the greatest and most urgent challenges of our times. Even before the war in Ukraine and its global tectonic shifts in peace and security, the world was experiencing a <u>30-year high</u> in violent conflict. <u>Conflict is also</u> <u>compounding the global pandemic, climate change, and food</u> <u>insecurity</u>, and Russia's <u>cyberattacks</u> and <u>disinformation</u> <u>campaigns</u> are destabilizing countries globally

The Alliance for Peacebuilding (AfP), named the "number one influencer and change agent" among peacebuilding institutions worldwide, is an award-winning nonprofit and nonpartisan network of 200+ 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. AfP advances our *fieldbuilding* strategy through our technical capacities in *Learning & Evidence, Policy & Advocacy, and Partnerships & Convenings*:



Learning & Evidence

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

- Conducting <u>pioneering research</u> <u>efforts</u>, including groundbreaking reports, <u>Some Credible Evidence</u>: <u>Perceptions About the Evidence</u> <u>Base in the Peacebuilding Field</u> and <u>The Edge of Crisis: COVID-</u> <u>19's Impact on Peacebuilding &</u> <u>Measures to Stabilize the Field</u>.
- Producing the <u>Eirene</u> <u>Peacebuilding</u> <u>Database</u>[®], accessed 1,900+ times across 80+ countries, the foremost database of 3,381 peacebuilding indicators to improve practice and better measure impact.
- Translating evidence-to-action to improve peacebuilding outcomes through our <u>#CreativityInCrisis</u> <u>video series</u> on innovative and practical solutions to MEL challenges and our <u>Research Talks</u> <u>with L&E Blog</u> connecting new evidence to practice.
- Advancing interreligious peacebuilding by <u>building the capacity of interfaith and faith-based organizations</u>, <u>facilitating peer learning</u>, and <u>spotlighting contributions of religious communities</u>.



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

- Co-leading the <u>Global Fragility Act</u> (<u>GFA</u>) <u>Coalition</u> with Mercy Corps, comprised of more than 100 organizations working to ensure successful implementation of the GFA, a game-changing law that centers conflict prevention in five priority countries/region.
- Conducting on- and off-therecord high-level strategy sessions with policymakers, lawmakers, donors, members, and experts to address the peacebuilding fields' most pressing issues.
- Publishing cutting-edge, actionable policy briefs on topics like creating peacebuilding exceptions in the <u>material</u> <u>support prohibition</u> and ensuring integration of peacebuilding in compounding crises—including the <u>global pandemic</u> and <u>climate</u> <u>change</u>.
- Convening learning and solutionoriented events on key conflict issues such as increasing conflict dynamics in the U.S., integrating conflict prevention and climate change, and the Afghanistan crisis and other conflict affected and fragile states.



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 a global stage.

- Advancing networking, learning, and innovative solutions for some of peacebuilding's most pressing issues through actionoriented working groups on Locally-led Peacebuilding, U.S. Peace, Justice, and Democracy, Digital Peacebuilding, and Conflict Sensitivity and Integration.
- Holding the preeminent U.S. annual peacebuilding conference, PeaceCon. "Peacecon@10: Covid, Climate, & Conflict: Rising to the Challenges of a Disrupted World" brought together 1,600+ attendees from 120 countries.
- Developing <u>new, evidence-based</u> <u>narrative research</u> in partnership with the Frameworks Institute, Humanity United, PartnersGlobal, and The Horizons Project to reframe peacebuilding and make the case for why it matters and how to do it.
- Amplifying our member's work through robust and growing communications platforms, including our <u>Peace: We Build It!</u> podcast and social media following of more than 60,000 people.

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