

## IVAW HAS A STRATEGY TO END THE WAR

IVAW is leading a renewed anti-war movement that will directly confront our government's ability to continue the Iraq War, using direct action, education, and media. The main objective of our strategy is to mobilize the military community to withdraw its support for the war and occupation in Iraq. We have a three-pronged campaign to bring our brothers and sisters home from Iraq now:

- 1 IVAW is organizing on and around military bases to bring this war to an end.**  
IVAW members will be touring the country, visiting military bases and their surrounding communities to recruit new members and inform servicemen and women about their rights.
- 2 IVAW is supporting members of the military who resist this war.**  
More and more troops are courageously coming out against the war at great personal risk to themselves and their families. IVAW members will put themselves on the line to protect these service members.
- 3 IVAW is spreading the truth about recruiting and military service.**  
IVAW members, including former recruiters, will bring the Truth in Recruiting campaign to recruiting centers and schools around the country to reach out to active duty recruiters and to inform potential recruits about the realities of military service and the Iraq war.

### Background

Since January, the members of Iraq Veterans Against the War have held a series of meetings around the country where they formulated a strategic campaign to bring the Iraq war to an end. IVAW members studied successful mass movements in order to determine the most effective strategy to bring the troops home now. We determined that IVAW has a unique role to play: without the support of the military, the Republicans and Democrats will be unable to continue this war.

By weakening support for this war from within the military, IVAW will also deprive many other sectors of their central justification for continuing the war. The President, politicians, and media pundits continually suggest that they defer to the military on decisions about the war; we will expose the opposition to the war within the military and undermine the "We must support the troops" argument. We are the troops, we know that there is no military solution in Iraq, and we know that the policies of our government are hurting the troops, destroying the military and violating the Iraqi people.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP? TURN THIS PAGE OVER FOR A LIST OF WAYS TO SUPPORT IVAW'S WORK TO END THE WAR NOW.

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## HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP

The main objective of our strategy is to mobilize the military community to withdraw its support for the war and occupation in Iraq. IVAW will lead this campaign, but we need your help. Supporters and allies can assist IVAW in many ways:

### **1. Make a donation and help with fundraising**

You can make a donation on our website and find information on hosting a house party to help make IVAW's campaign a success. Your fundraising and direct donations will allow us to hire much-needed staff, recruit and train new members, pay for legal defense, print and distribute materials, expand our website, and keep up our momentum as we push to end the Iraq war. Go to [www.ivaw.org/support](http://www.ivaw.org/support) or call 215.241.7123 to find out how you can support IVAW.

### **2. Support outreach to active duty troops**

Many troops have turned against this war and IVAW's membership of active duty troops in Iraq is growing each week. IVAW is forming chapters on military bases to spread the word to GIs about their rights and involve them in the work of IVAW. We need funds to train active duty leaders, and we need supporters who live near military installations to support the growing GI resistance to this war. Call 215.241.7123 to find out how you can support an active duty chapter of IVAW.

### **3. Support service members who are refusing to fight**

More and more service members are acting on their conscience and refusing to fight in Iraq at great personal risk to themselves and their families. Several of our members are facing military prosecution as a result of their courageous stand against the war. Log on to our website and join our email list to find out ways to support resisters and conscientious objectors, from calling elected officials, to attending court martials, to raising funds for legal defense.

### **4. Support Truth In Recruiting**

IVAW members are telling the truth about military service to young people across this country. They are speaking in schools, standing watch at recruiting stations, and debating the war on college campuses. If your child is considering joining the military, an IVAW member can speak to them about the truth of military service. Call 215.241.7123 for more information, or to arrange for an IVAW member to speak at your local school.

### **5. Spread the word**

If you know a veteran or active duty service member, please tell them about IVAW.

**HAD ENOUGH? JOIN WITH IVAW TO BRING THIS WAR TO AN END NOW.**