

# Ground the Drones

## End the Wars

Join the Upstate Coalition to Ground the Drones and End the Wars for Actions  
Culminating in a Rally and Demonstration at Hancock Air National Guard Base

**Mattydale, NY (Outside Syracuse) April 22 3:00 PM**

- April 16-21:** Peace Walk from Rochester to Syracuse  
Contact: [adoptresistance@me.com](mailto:adoptresistance@me.com)
- April 17-21:** Peace Walk from Ithaca to Syracuse  
Contact: 607-277-6932, Facebook Event: Stop the Drone Attacks and Walk for Peace
- April 21:** Evening Gathering and Teach In at St. Lucy's, 432 Gifford St. Syracuse, NY  
6:00 - 8:00 PM 6 pm: Community Pot Luck  
7 pm: Keynote Speaker: *Kathy Kelly of Voices for Creative NonViolence*
- April 22:** Walk of Transformation  
9:00 AM Begins at Syracuse Federal Building (where Senator Schumer's office is housed)  
To Lunch at ArtRage Gallery with Brian Terrell of Catholic Workers  
3:00 PM Finish at Hancock Air National Guard Base, Mattydale, NY, outside Syracuse
- 3:00 – 4:00 PM** Rally and Demonstration at Hancock Air National Guard Base, Mattydale, NY  
With Elliot Adams of Veterans for Peace, Kathy Kelly, Brian Terrell

Drones are unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) used by the military for surveillance, targeted assassinations, and bombings. Drones used in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq and Yemen have killed hundreds of innocent civilians. Drones violate international and U.S. law on political assassinations. Intelligence used in drone target selection is notoriously unreliable. Domestic Drone use has begun on U.S./Canadian/ and U.S. /Mexican borders

Hancock Air National Guard Base is a drone center, and if Sen. Schumer has his way, drone activity will increase. Currently operations include killing missions in Afghanistan as well as operator training, and maintenance of Reaper Drones. Accidents could occur in civilian air space, and the operation also brings Syracuse into "the War on Terror," making it a potential target. The jobs generated are few, and drone operators suffer high rates of PTSD (*Post Traumatic Stress Disorder*).



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Facebook Event: Ground the Drones & Stop the Wars

**Sponsors:** Brooklyn for Peace, Broome County Peace Action, The Buffalo Interfaith Network, Fellowship of Reconciliation, The Gandhi Institute, Historians Against the War, Ithaca Catholic Worker, Metro Justice Peace Action and Education, New York State Direct Action For Peace, Peace Action of Central New York, The Peace Education Project of Buffalo, Peace Now Ithaca, Rochester Against War, ScarfsForPeace, Slocum House, Syracuse Peace Council, The Upstate AntiWar Network, Veterans for Peace: Buffalo Chapter 128, Ithaca Chapter 038, NYC Chapter 034, Woodstock Chapter 058, Vietnam Veterans Against the War – Ithaca, Western NY Peace Center, World Can't Wait