

""Twitter handle (and profile name): BuddhistPeace (Buddhist Peace Fellowship)

Twitter description: The Buddhist Peace Fellowship's purpose is to serve collective liberation through connecting Dharma to the current moment.

Description of the organization from a third party source: "The mission of the Buddhist Peace Fellowship (BPF), founded in 1978, is to serve as a catalyst for socially engaged Buddhism. Our purpose is to help beings liberate themselves from the suffering that manifests in individuals, relationships, institutions, and social systems. BPF's programs, publications, and practice groups link Buddhist teachings of wisdom and compassion with progressive social change."

Scraped text from their home page of their website: Titles: Buddhist Peace Fellowship

Headings: The Buddhist Peace Fellowship's purpose is to serve collective liberation through connecting Dharma to the current moment.; Make a donation.; Sign Up for our Newsletter stay connected with seasonal updates, events, and more

Paragraphs: We convene spiritually and politically engaged individuals from multiple lineages, Buddhist and otherwise, to explore practices to be in wise and compassionate relationship to ourselves, each other, and movements. Our convenings and programs are led by and lift up the voices and priorities of Black, Indigenous, heritage Buddhists, and people of color who share our commitment to ecological anti-capitalism, queer feminism, and racial justice.; ; Click below to read the most recent updates from Buddhist Peace Fellowship; For even more, click here to check out our Conversations page; Photo of the ofrenda we created to grounded our recent board and staff retreat, led by brilliant facilitator Kimi Mojica (pictured). A tray draped in maroon fabric rests on a white rug, with small bowls surrounding it and a person preparing to add another offering, The tray has been ritually filled with earth-based items from our kitchens and apothecaries: apples, chrysanthemums, cascarilla, rosemary, dirt, lentils, honey, breastmilk, and rice.; Today we want to celebrate and welcome our new Co-Director of Programming & Partnerships, Kate Johnson!; His Holiness the Dalai Lama giving ordination vows at his residence in Dharamsala, HP, India in 2010. (Photo by Tenzin Choejor/OHHDL); Sustaining Buddhist Peace Fellowship is the result of many small and large acts of community care. You can make your donation to our work today.;

Scraped text from their about page of their website: Titles: Purpose & Vision - Buddhist Peace Fellowship

Headings: Purpose; Vision

Paragraphs: The Buddhist Peace Fellowship's purpose is to serve collective liberation through connecting Dharma to the current moment. We convene spiritually and politically engaged individuals from multiple lineages, Buddhist and otherwise, to explore practices to be in wise and compassionate relationship to ourselves, each other, and movements. Our convenings and programs are led by and lift up the voices and priorities of Black, Indigenous, heritage Buddhists, and people of color who share our commitment to ecological anti-capitalism, queer feminism, and racial justice.; The Buddhist Peace Fellowship is a constellation of spiritual-political practitioners who, with guidance from the earth, ancestors and the Buddhadharma, seek to build a world where;; We take care of each other, addressing needs holistically and working generatively with conflict.; We honor the inherent and dynamic Buddha-nature in all beings, without hierarchy of worth.; We deeply know and exercise agency, consent, and responsibility in ourselves, our bodies, and our relationships.; The Dharma is practiced with reverence, grounded in lineage, and can be accessed by all.; Social movements to heal systemic harm are rooted in fierce compassion. Movements have the depth to embody paradox, while transforming power structures and moving us toward continual awakening.; Everyone, including and especially those living at the intersections of historic oppressions, is physically, emotionally, and spiritually free to live liberated lives.

Scraped text from their mission page of their website: Titles: NA

Headings: NA

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Scraped text from their history page of their website: Titles: History - Buddhist Peace Fellowship

Headings: The First 40 Years; The Influence of Thich Nhat Hanh; Turning Wheel

Paragraphs: banner; system.stinks; In 1968, Buddhist poet Gary Snyder wrote a challenging piece called "Buddhism and the Coming Revolution." In it, he says, "The mercy of the West has been social revolution; the mercy of the East has been individual insight into the basic self/void. We need both." Ten years later, in 1978, the Buddhist Peace Fellowship took form as the first organizational flower of socially engaged Buddhism here in the West. BPF was born on the back porch of the Maui Zendo, co-founded by Nelson Foster, Robert and Anne Aitken. The spark for BPF flew from Roshi's in-depth study of 19th and 20th century anarchism and his long experience as an anti-war and anti-military activist. They were soon joined by Gary Snyder, Joanna Macy, Jack Kornfield, Al Bloom, and many others. Its ecumenical approach to the Dharma was a matter of principle, a real strength in the face of Buddhism's sectarian history. At the start, there was a circle of friends, predominantly Euro-American Zen practitioners, most clustered in Hawaii and the Bay Area, with the rest scattered across the States. After a year there were only about fifty members, but it was a real network nonetheless, linked by friendship, common purpose, and by the dedicated work of Nelson Foster, who regularly published the newsletter and

maintained active correspondence with members. Christianity, Judaism, and Islam have long nurtured forms of spiritually-based activism and social transformation. BPF itself emerged as a member of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, an interfaith umbrella of nonviolent peace and justice organizations. In those first years the ties between BPF and FOR were close and very encouraging for lonely Buddhist activists. From this branch of the peace movement, with its links to Jesus, Gandhi, Thomas Merton, and Martin Luther King, we began to find ways consonant with and parallel to the Dharma to explore suffering and social change. As the organization grew, members dove into a variety of issues: from anti-war and nuclear weapons, to prison dharma and human rights efforts in Bangladesh, Cambodia, and Vietnam. In 1983, BPF and San Francisco Zen Center organized Ven. Thich Nhat Hanh's first retreat for Western Buddhists. Hozan Alan Senauke strengthened ties overseas with the International Network of Engaged Buddhists, and Maylie Scott led BPFers in prayer sitting zazen on train tracks, blocking weapons shipments to Central America. In the 1990s, our organization's newsletter became the award-winning Turning Wheel magazine. During the next two decades, it served as hub for seasoned activists, and a doorway for those just starting on the path of engaged practice. Whether they came for the family columns from engaged Buddhist teacher Mushim Patricia Ikeda, or the anti-war resistance articles and resources so needed during the Clinton and Bush eras, BPFers found deep support in the pages of Turning Wheel. During the same period, BPF ran multiple training and education programs for Buddhist activists. This included the Buddhist Alliance for Social Engagement, or BASE, which ran from 1990-2005 in the San Francisco Bay Area. BASE was a hands-on program that explored the interaction between social action and meditation in an intimate, small-group setting. Participants worked individually in internships and volunteer placements and came together for meditation, study, discussion, and group action. Forty years later, no major issue we have worked on has been completely resolved. Bowing deeply to all who have kept the dharma living, and bridged it with justice -- whether explicitly under the mantle of engaged Buddhism or not. We humbly rededicate ourselves for the next 40 years and beyond. May all beings find freedom.; kathleen vigil; ...If we want to be in touch, we have to get out of our shell and look clearly and deeply at the wonders of life - the snowflakes, the moonlight, the songs of the birds, the beautiful flowers - and also the suffering - hunger, disease, torture, and oppression. Overflowing with understanding and compassion, we can appreciate the wonders of life, and, at the same time, act with firm resolve to alleviate the suffering. Too many people distinguish between the inner world of our mind and the world outside, but these worlds are not separate. They belong to the same reality.- Interbeing, Thich Nhat Hanh; We can't consider the history of BPF without bowing deeply to the continuing influence of Thich Nhat Hanh. Our first contacts came through peace activists and friends at the Fellowship of Reconciliation, dating back to Thay's first visits to the United States in the late 60s, his exile from Vietnam, and his role as head of the Buddhist delegation at the Paris peace talks. In 1983, BPF and the San Francisco Zen Center (which now sponsors the Zen Hospice Project) organized Thich Nhat Hanh's first retreat for Western Buddhists at Tassajara. In 1985, '87, and '89 BPF co-sponsored him in longer tours and larger venues. We continue to learn from Thich Nhat Hanh and benefit from the thousands of people who come to engaged Dharma practice through his teaching. [/tab];

firstnewsletter; From the beginning, BPF has had a newsletter. The first versions are typed and mimeographed, mailed to a small set of friends of the founders. As membership grew, the newsletter was the mail form of communication between socially engaged Buddhists. Early issues of the BPF newsletter featured pieces on Theravada, Tibetan, Zen, and Pure Land traditions, outlining a doctrinal and historical basis for engaged Buddhism, and setting precedents for our own emerging work. These foundations were important at a time when most Westerners turned to Buddhism as an escape from the world and the turmoil of the times. The quality of the newsletter continued to improve, and soon Turning Wheel evolved into an award-winning magazine in its own right. Under the editorship of Susan Moon some of the best known thinkers and writers in socially engaged Buddhism appeared in Turning Wheel's pages: Thich Nhat Hanh, Joanna Macy, Gary Snyder, Alice Walker, and of course our founder, Robert Aitken Roshi. Since Susan Moon's retirement in 2007, we at the Buddhist Peace Fellowship have been searching for ways to both expand Turning Wheel's audience and maintain the strong link to the organization that gave birth to the magazine. As part of that process, we've found that the kind of interactivity and discussion that can happen on the internet provides exactly the tools we need to expand Turning Wheel's mission, bringing Buddhist activists into closer conversation with each other, and the world. And so Turning Wheel Media was born. We hope you will stay in touch with us as we explore urgent questions of our historical moment, from perspectives grounded in hope for freedom for all beings.

Summaries of Links: Based solely on the information provided, it can be inferred that this organization is likely a Buddhist organization focused on peace and social justice. The presence of pages such as ["/purpose-and-vision,"](#) ["/about-bpf/history,"](#) and ["/staff"](#) suggests that the organization has a clear mission and a dedicated team of individuals working towards it. The inclusion of pages like ["/in-person"](#) and ["/online-1"](#) indicates that the organization offers both in-person and online events, workshops, or gatherings. The presence of a blog and a link to a Teachable platform suggests that the organization is committed to education and sharing knowledge. The inclusion of a donation page and a contact page further indicates that the organization is open to receiving support and engaging with the public. The repeated occurrence of certain pages within the list of URLs suggests that the organization may be experiencing technical difficulties or is in the process of updating its website. Overall, the information provided suggests that this organization is actively involved in promoting Buddhist principles of peace, justice, and compassion through various initiatives and educational resources.""