

What is a Nuclear Free Zone?

A Nuclear Free Zone is any well-defined geographical area in which no nuclear weapons will be produced, tested, transported, stored, processed, disposed of or detonated.

The Nuclear Free Zone Movement has been growing rapidly in the United States since Hawaii County and Garret Park, Maryland declared themselves nuclear free. Massachusetts, at the forefront of this movement, has been led by towns such as Leverett, Brookline, Gay Head and others.

Why a Nuclear Free Zone?

This is an opportunity to show that we are not accepting or complicit in the nuclear arms race. Campaigning for Nuclear Free Zones offers an educational opportunity and a direct, positive step toward reversing the arms race at the local level.

The nuclear arms race not only threatens the extinction of humanity, it daily cripples our economy and prevents us from solving critical environmental issues. On our local level the problems of acid rain, water quality and conservation imperils Cape Cod's delicate environment and economy. Nationally, housing, employment, health care and education suffer the consequences of insufficient funding.

What does a Nuclear Free Zone mean?

1. Our town is free of the production, testing, transportation, storage, processing, disposal and detonation of nuclear weapons.
2. We do not want to be "defended" by destabilizing nuclear weapons that threaten the annihilation of all humanity.
3. We challenge ourselves and our leaders to find non-violent methods of resolving conflicts.

What will a Nuclear Free Cape Cod mean to our children?

We do not want our children to inherit hopelessness, apathy, and nuclear devastation. We want them to inherit a global perspective, a non-violent means to resolve a conflict and a sense that an individual can effect change.



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How do we become a Nuclear Free Zone?

In the spring, Cape Cod towns will begin considering proposals for Nuclear Free Zones at Town Meeting and on their town referendums. Eventually, as every town becomes involved, we will reach our goal of a Nuclear Free Cape Cod.

How do we get started?

First, with yourself. Make a commitment that you do not want to be "defended" by weapons of mass destruction. Then work with others. Find out who else in your community is actively working on Nuclear Free Zones. Talk with your neighbors and town officials about the idea.

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