How to Donate

Donate Directly to the Syracuse Peace Council:

- Send a <u>check to SPC</u> with the enclosed coupon to the office (address below).
- Donate through our <u>website</u> (peacecouncil.net) using either PayPal or your credit card
- **Pledge** a certain amount each month or quarter via check or recurring transfers through PayPal, Syracuse Cooperative Federal Credit Union, or your own financial institution. These recurring donations are one of the best ways to help us plan for meeting our expenses.

A reminder: SPC is <u>not</u> a non-profit. Donations made directly to SPC are not tax deductible. For any fund appeal donation please use the enclosed coupon.

Donate to Peace Action Fund of New York State (PAFNYS) for SPC:

If you need to make a tax-deductible donation of at least \$50, write a check to PAFNYS, a non-profit which is our "fiscal sponsor". <u>Write "for SPC"</u> in the memo and send the check to SPC for forwarding. To donate PAFNYS electronically, contact the office at <u>spc@peacecouncil.net</u> or 315-472-5478 for instructions.

Note: Donating to PAFNYS for SPC makes sense if you itemize deductions on your tax return which most people no longer do. We appreciate donations made directly to SPC because we can spend the money on anything we need (staffing, rent, political activity) in contrast to the monies coming back from PAFNYS which can only be spent on educational activities. We also pay a fee for each donation to PAFNYS.

Donate from a Tax-Deferred Retirement Account

If you are at least 70.5 years old and want to contribute from a tax-deferred retirement account, ask your financial professional about making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). You could make a direct donation from your retirement account to PAFNYS (a non-profit) for the benefit of SPC that incurs no taxes. (Typically, money paid directly to you from a retirement account will be taxed as personal income even if you later donate some of that money.) Again, "SPC" must be noted in the memo.

Make a Bequest

Remembering SPC in your will or designating the Peace Council as a beneficiary on an insurance policy, annuity, or retirement account is a great way to ensure our work continues. You may wish to speak to a tax advisor or a lawyer about this type of contribution.

Questions?

Call SPC at 315-478-5478 or write us at <u>spc@peacecouncil.net</u> to hear about how we can best utilize your contribution, or any other questions.

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