

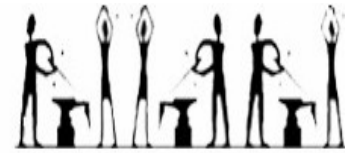
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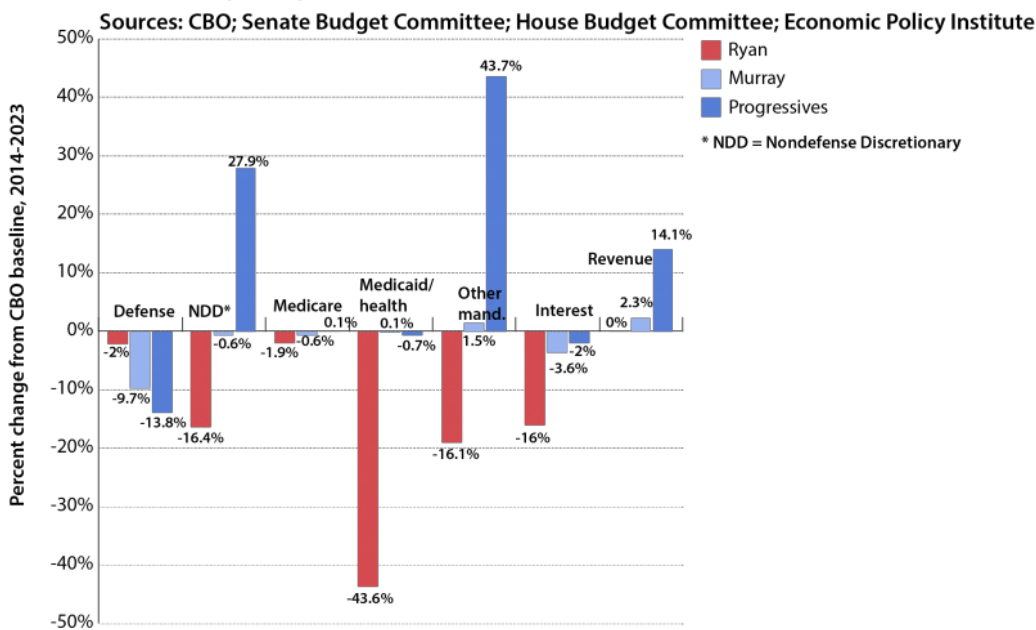
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Cut Military Spending. Fund Human Needs.



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Call Congress About the Back to Work Budget Murray, Ryan, and Progressives



If sequestration has got you down, the Congressional Progressive Caucus may have found a solution. This past Wednesday, they unveiled their [Back to Work Budget plan](#) to oppose the Ryan budget. More importantly, it will repeal sequester, invest in job creation, cut military spending to 2006 levels, and close tax loopholes for corporations and fossil fuel companies.

The budget is scheduled to be voted on Tuesday, and as part of the Jobs Not Wars coalition, **PEP is asking everyone to call their Congressional Rep this Monday and urge them to vote in favor of the CPC Back to Work Budget.**

The Congressional switchboard number is: (202) 224-3121
A toll-free line is: (866) 338-1015

And if you happen to be in Lacy Clay's district, you can additionally thank him for being a member of the Congressional Progressive Caucus and looking out for the best interests of his constituents.

Help Us Put an End to Illegal Drone Strikes; Join the National Day of Action on Drones

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Thanks for a great Charlie King Concert!

Thank you to everyone who attended the Charlie King and Karen Brandow Concert and Silent Auction. Together, we were able to raise over \$1,000 to benefit PEP programming!

PEP Told Blunt to Cut Pentagon Waste

This past month has been a busy one for our legislatures. In an effort to avoid sequester, PEP teamed up with Missouri ProVote to visit Blunt's office to tell him to cut Pentagon spending. Although sequester went through, we hope more conversations will emerge on Pentagon waste.

What's your vision of a Peace Economy?

Earlier this month, PEP asked attendees at the Literacy for Social Justice curriculum fair to share



Following the Rand Paul Filibuster that highlighted some of the many concerns that we have about the US drone program, we felt it important to educate our legislature about our concerns on drones. In addition to the Instead of War Coalition, ACLU, Veteran's for Peace, CAIR St. Louis, and the Organization for Black Struggle, we visited Claire McCaskill's office to educate her about not only our concerns on domestic drones, but how they are used internationally as well.

In conjunction with the National Day of Action on drones on April 13th, we plan to take action again. We will be returning to McCaskill's office to lay out our concerns and continue to educate our legislatures on April 12th. **On the day of action, April 13th, we plan to join the St. Louis Chapter of Amnesty International in a demonstration to build awareness of this program on Skinker at 1 p.m.**

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Join PEP and WILPF on Income Tax Day

Tax Day is coming up, and not only does that mean a mad scramble to file our own income tax returns, it means we're hitting the streets to educate others about where our income tax dollars really go. **Come on out and join us at the corner of Forsyth and Central in Clayton on Monday, April 15th from 11:30 to 1:00.** WILPF will be providing leaflets that showcase the breakdown of our income tax dollars, but feel free to bring your own signs.

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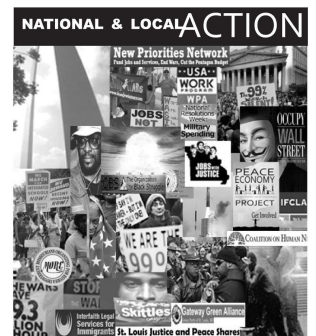
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The Peace Economy Project is a non-profit, grassroots organization that researches military spending and the military-industrial complex, educates about military spending and advocates for a peace-based, rather than a war-based, economy. PEP is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and donations are tax-deductible. Donations to support the work of the Peace Economy Project may be sent to our office at:

their vision of a Peace Economy. We heard some great ideas: peace education in the classroom, end of extreme poverty and preventable diseases, and better gun control.

We love hearing about everyone's visions and would love to hear yours. [Check out other's visions on our website](#) or [submit your own](#).

Together we are stronger!



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