

BAY AREA WOMEN IN BLACK

Please join with Bay Area Women in Black on October 17 in 24 hours of feminist solidarity around the world with the Women's Global Charter for Humanity.

At noon on this day, we will participate with women in all time zones on the planet to express our support for the Charter, beginning in the Pacific Islands (New Caledonia, Samoa, etc.), continuing in Asia, Middle East, Africa and Europe simultaneously, and concluding in the Americas. At noon, we ask you to take a few moments and share copies of the attached Charter with friends, co-workers, neighbors, or those passing by on their way to lunch.

The Women's Global Charter for Humanity was presented in Ramallah during the International Women in Black Conference held in August 2005. It is a feminist document written collectively by women of the World March of Women. The full text of the Charter can be found at www.worldmarchofwomen.org.

We encourage everyone to print it out and circulate it widely.

Many women took part in drafting the Charter, and, as it has traveled, women have organized actions to raise awareness of its content, challenged decision-makers in their countries and organized forums for discussion to create allies. Bay Area Women in Black invites you to share copies of this document with your co-workers, neighbors, and family.

Write to us at info@bayareawomeninblack.org to let us know what conversations emerged, what neighborhood actions were created and what new connections were forged. Creating a world of peace and justice is the legacy we leave for those who come after us. It is day-by-day work.

On October 17th, we invite you to be a part of this visionary movement.

Bay Area Women in Black are Jewish feminists and allies. We stand in solidarity with Women in Black in Israel who have held vigils since 1988 to protest the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, Gaza, and East Jerusalem and to mourn the Israeli and Palestinian lives that have been lost. We stand with Women in Black around the world against war, militarism, and violence.

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