

# JOIN US IN DEMANDING A CEASEFIRE NOW!

Israel's assault on Gaza has been killing hundreds of civilians a day, particularly children, the sick, and the elderly. This is a humanitarian crisis of catastrophic proportions, and it must end immediately. Here are some of the reasons why:

- ◇ **As of Dec. 9, more than 17,000 people have been killed in Gaza, the great majority of them civilians, and over 7,000 of them children. Many more lay under the rubble.**
- ◇ **Hamas, the civic and military government of Gaza, cannot be destroyed by military means.** As long as Israel maintains an illegal blockade and continues to deny Palestinians self-determination, Hamas or its equivalents will persist.
- ◇ **Killing Palestinian civilians ends up creating more recruits for Hamas** and similar groups than are killed by any military operation.
- ◇ **Israel's bombing campaign violates international humanitarian law (IHL) and basic principles of morality.** IHL prohibits not only intentional targeting of civilians, but also any military action that disproportionately harms civilians. Israeli actions -- like dropping a 2,000-pound bomb killing 120 people in an attempt to eliminate a single Hamas commander -- are self-evidently disproportionate. IHL further requires combatants to take "all feasible precautions" to minimize harm to civilians, which Israel is clearly not doing. **The law is unambiguous** that even if Hamas has improperly placed military objects near civilian ones, Israel is not absolved from its legal obligations.

## A CEASE-FIRE IS NOT ENOUGH

- ◇ All Israeli hostages must be released in exchange for Palestinian political prisoners.
- ◇ There must be a massive inflow of humanitarian aid into Gaza.
- ◇ Israeli attacks (by both armed settlers and the IDF) and arrests in the West Bank must stop.
- ◇ U.S. military funding to Israel that has enabled its horrendous war on Palestinians must be ended.
- ◇ The oppression and occupation must stop, and a political solution must be put on the table at once.

**Call your Senators to urge them to demand a ceasefire, no additional military funding, and conditions for a permanent peace.**

**Call your Representative to urge support for H.Res. 786, Cori Bush's Ceasefire Resolution.**

**Call your NJ legislators to urge them to support AR196, Sadaf Jaffer's Ceasefire Resolution.**

More information and upcoming events may be found  
at <https://ceasefirenownj.org> or by scanning this QR code:





**THURSDAY  
DEC. 14 @ 4:00 P.M.**

# CHANUKAH EVENT/VIGIL

**Calling for a ceasefire now!**

**Bring a light or battery-operated  
candle if you can. We will have  
some to give out.**



## **Military Park Newark**

**Meet at  
Military Park Carousel  
51 Park Place, Newark, NJ 07102**

