
War without end?

Another way is possible!



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WHAT HAS BEEN
THE COST OF THE
WAR IN
AFGHANISTAN?

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WAR IS NOT THE ANSWER!
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The Cost of the War in Afghanistan

Unless otherwise noted, the statistics in this pamphlet have been taken from the National Priorities Project:
www.nationalpriorities.org

- More than \$283 billion U.S. tax dollars have been spent with billions more to follow.
- Assuming Congressional Budget Office troop projections through 2016, the cost of the Wars could reach more than \$2 trillion combined.
- Over \$10.5 billion is the cost to the taxpayers of Ohio thus far.
- \$528.9 million is the cost of the taxpayers of the 1st (Driehaus) Congressional District.
- \$662.2 million is the cost of the taxpayers of the 2nd (Schmidt) Congressional Districts.

If total money of Iraq & Afghanistan wars were spent locally, the following could have been provided:

District 1 (Driehaus)

- 268,511 people with low-income healthcare or 1,023,845 children with low-income healthcare for a year
- 27,629 elementary school teachers or 213,286 scholarships for university students for a year

District 2 (Schmidt)

- 336,150 people with low-income healthcare or 1,281,759 children with low-income healthcare for a year
- 34,588 elementary school teachers or 267,015 scholarships for university students for a year

Human Costs of the War <i>Source: Defense.gov & UNHCR.org</i>	Population <i>Source: census.gov</i>
◇ More than 1,163 U.S. soldiers dead	Cincinnati 332,252
◇ 300 deaths occurred in 2009 alone	Dayton 156,771
◇ More than 6,876 U.S. soldiers wounded	Covington 42,797
◇ Over 8,669 civilian deaths	Total 531,820
◇ Over 8,587 Afghan soldiers dead	

Every day the war continues, more lives are lost, more dollars wasted.

More dollars: Congress has appropriated another \$136.8 billion for wars in Iraq and Afghanistan for 2010. The military budget is already higher than at any point since World War II.

Effects of war on women:

Some say there are two Afghanistans; one the world sees changing, and the hidden, scarier one that exists for women.

- Every 30 minutes an Afghan woman dies during childbirth.
- Eighty-seven percent of Afghan women are illiterate.
- Only 30 percent of girls have access to education in Afghanistan
- One in every three Afghan women experiences physical, psychological or sexual violence.
- The average life expectancy for Afghan women is 44.
- Seventy to 80 percent of women face forced marriages.

Source: IRIN, UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs-Women for Women International

Join with other U.S. citizens to demand that Congress and the President:
 END THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN!
 BRING THE TROOPS HOME!
 FULLY FUND VETERAN SERVICES!
 FUND THE RECONSTRUCTION OF AFGHANISTAN!

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