





steps to a brighter future

Dear Friends,

More people are displaced now because of violent conflict than were

displaced by WWII. The UN estimates 24 people flee their homes every minute. It is evident we need a new way forward.

You have stepped up to support a new way forward and we thank you. Here's a look back to 2016 and what we've accomplished together:

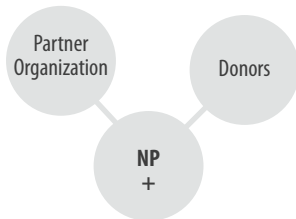
- Trained, unarmed civilians working together with local communities to save lives, kept people in their homes and facilitated humanitarian aid.
- The UN Security Council recognized that unarmed civilian protection deter gender-based violence.
- Civil society organizations and government entities sought out NP to initiate new projects in Southern Thailand, and Iraq.
- Conducted our first project in the U.S. in Bismarck, ND in response to the Dakota Access Pipeline conflict.

We look forward to expanding our reach, strengthening our organization and showing that unarmed strategies must be at the forefront of protecting civilians living in war.

Together, we can take a step towards peace.



Tiffany Easthom
Executive Director, Nonviolent Peaceforce



Partners

Working alongside our partner organizations in each country, NP's field staff offer hope, dignity, safety and a call to action. As a donor, you are with us every step of the way.



steps to protect

It's not drought or climate change causing South Sudan's dire humanitarian crisis but violent conflict. After years of civil war, South Sudan is facing food insecurity threatening the lives of nearly half the population. Aid groups are working to meet the growing need for food and other essential items. There is seldom enough and distributions can become chaotic. Assisting our partners at food distributions is a focus for NP's work. Our protection officers provide support to the

most vulnerable—children household heads, the elderly, the disabled, pregnant women and breastfeeding mothers—to ensure their needs are prioritized during aid distributions.

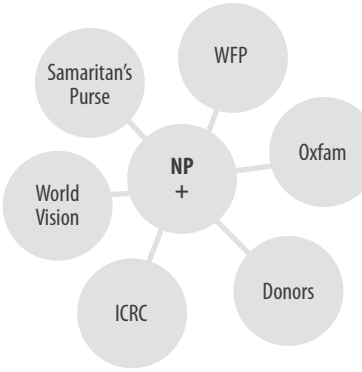
As one NP peacekeeper describes: "In distributions we ensure vulnerable people are not being neglected or forgotten, but prioritized." Distributions are often a dense concentration of beneficiaries in a small space, sometimes upwards of 20,000

or 30,000 people. With a large number of people waiting to receive food it is easy for tensions to escalate or small-scale conflicts to break out. NP tries to ensure tensions are de-escalated early for the safety and security of civilians"



12,232

people **protected**
during food
and aid distribution





steps to empower

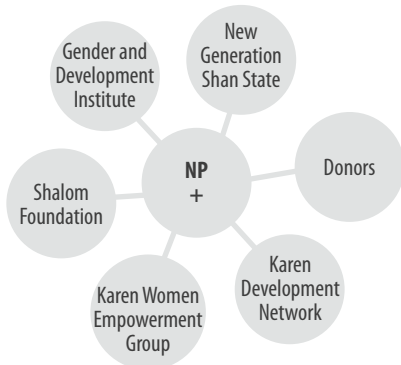
13,039

people **trained**
in unarmed
civilian protection

In Myanmar, 12 international staff make a big impact by training over 400 local people to monitor the ceasefire agreement. Local civilian monitors learn to report violations and to protect their own villages. Already embedded in the community, civilian monitors are very effective in building relationships to prevent conflict and spotting the first signs of trouble arising.

Myanmar. A girl from a local village was killed, three others were seriously injured. Civilian monitors trained by Nonviolent Peaceforce and the Shalom Foundation intervened. The monitors contacted both groups to let them know civilians were caught in the crossfire and negotiated a three-hour ceasefire to evacuate 300 people.

In Dec 2016, clashes broke out between two ethnic armed groups in Shan State,



10,853

children **cared for**
in child-friendly spaces

steps to restore hope



Civil war in South Sudan disrupts children's lives. Displaced by the conflict, **girls and boys are at risk of sexual assault, soldier recruitment or being separated from their families.** Nonviolent Peaceforce provides protection in designated safe spaces for children and trains partners to engage children in games that teach them safety skills such as mine awareness.

One day in a Child Friendly Space in South Sudan, a group of boys arrived carrying clay machine guns molded to look like mini AK-47s.

An NP protection officer asked them, "Is this what you want from your life? Is a gun what you want?" The boys responded, **"No! We want cows."** So together the protection officer and boys dismantled the clay guns to make a herd of cows to share with the group.



Clay guns became a herd of cows when a worker asked what the children wanted for their future.

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Breakdown of staff

224 total staff
December 31, 2016

209
live and work within conflict-affected communities

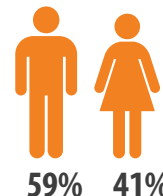
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work in advocacy and administrative support

142 in South Sudan
52 in Philippines
10 in Myanmar
5 in Middle East

8 in European offices
7 in US office

36%
are international staff

64%
are nationals of the host countries



Financial overview

The 2016 audited financial statements for NP show an operating loss. This is a departure from previous years and has primarily to do with our South Sudan program which represents two thirds of the organizational budget.

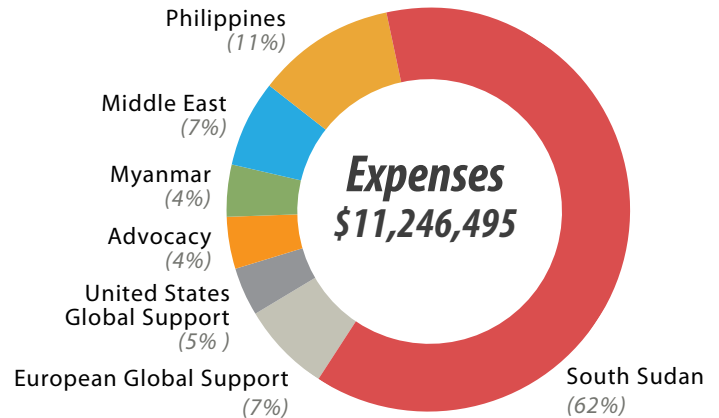
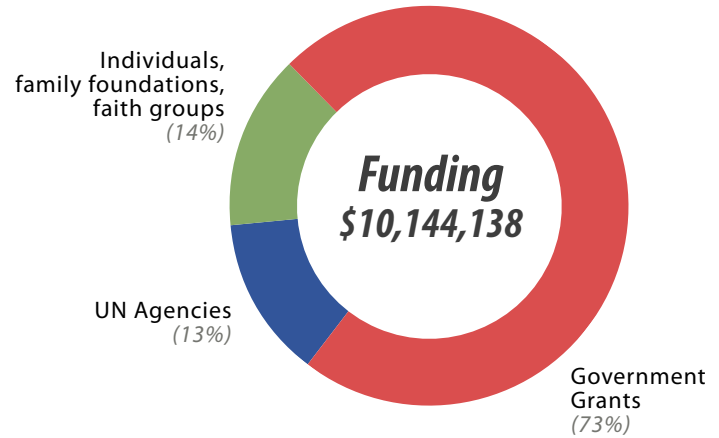
The losses accrued due to significant change in currency exchange rates, emergency evacuation of several staff members in July 2016, and spending at the country program level. NP has hired a new finance team in South Sudan. A recently hired CFO and the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors will work to ensure better control of expenditures. We take our financial situation very seriously and want to assure our donors that we making corrections as needed and are available to answer any questions.

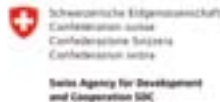
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Your donation helps protect civilians and transform the world's response to conflict.



The financial information covers a 12-month period (January 2016-December 2016) for all activities implemented by Nonviolent Peaceforce. The yearly financial statements of NP legal entities are subject to audit. Audited financial statements are available at www.nonviolentpeaceforce.org/about/funding





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Together, you provide safety, dignity and stability to people living in violent conflict.

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