

“We can go to you when there are cattle problems and anything else because we know that you are here to work with us. You are peace makers.”

— Weseley Walla, Deputy Secretary of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement of Mundri West



“What you are doing here is helping the very survival of the human family.”

— Mairead Maguire, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, about NP



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Transforming the world's response to conflict



the need

- **90%** of current war casualties are civilians, the majority of whom are women and children
- **1.5 billion** people currently live in countries with repeated violence
- **Not one** of these countries achieved a single Millennium Development Goal

Unarmed civilians are the primary victims of violent conflicts that plague so many parts of the world today. **It takes unarmed civilians** to break that cycle of violence and to demonstrate other ways of handling conflict.

“People try nonviolence for a week, and when it doesn’t work, they go back to violence, which hasn’t worked for centuries.” —*Theodore Roszak*

Local organizations and governments invite our **unarmed civilian peace teams** into conflict zones to prevent violence and protect civilians. Our field staff come from around the world, and they work by building trust with all parties involved.

the method

Nonviolent Peaceforce is an international civil society organization. We protect civilians in violent conflict through unarmed strategies. We build peace side by side with local communities. We advocate for the wider adoption of these strategies to safeguard human lives and dignity.

Through the unique tool of unarmed civilian protection, Nonviolent Peaceforce is able to:

- Provide child protection and family reunification
- Offer unarmed accompaniment of vulnerable civilians
- Create safe space for dialogue between conflicting parties
- Monitor for local humanitarian aid providers
- Develop the local capacity for rapid response to violence
- Encourage problem solving, peace building, and reconciliation

the result

Preventing Panic: *Naga, Philippines*

Nine people are killed in a firefight, 13 homes are burned and 4,000 people evacuate. An NP quick-response team conducts an impartial investigation.

Result: 4,000 people are safely returned to their homes and compensation is given to those made homeless.

Mitigating Cattle Raid Conflict: *Kediba, South Sudan*

Escalating violence between settled farmers and cattle herders leads to calls for the army to intervene. Instead, NP is asked to help. Our field staff talk to leaders on both sides and several days of intense talks ensue.

Result: The cattle are returned, the market is reopened, and further violence is averted.

Unarmed Civilian Protection



Preventing
violence,
protecting
civilians
& promoting
peace

WORLDWIDE.

