

The Louisville Committee for Peace in the Middle East

Principles and Purpose

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Goals

To inform, educate and mobilize the public regarding the U.S. role in perpetuating the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

To seek an end to U.S. military and economic aid to Israel that accelerates the violation of international law with regard to the Palestinian people.

To urge that U.S foreign policy comply with international law and to earnestly work to implement a just and lasting peace in the region.

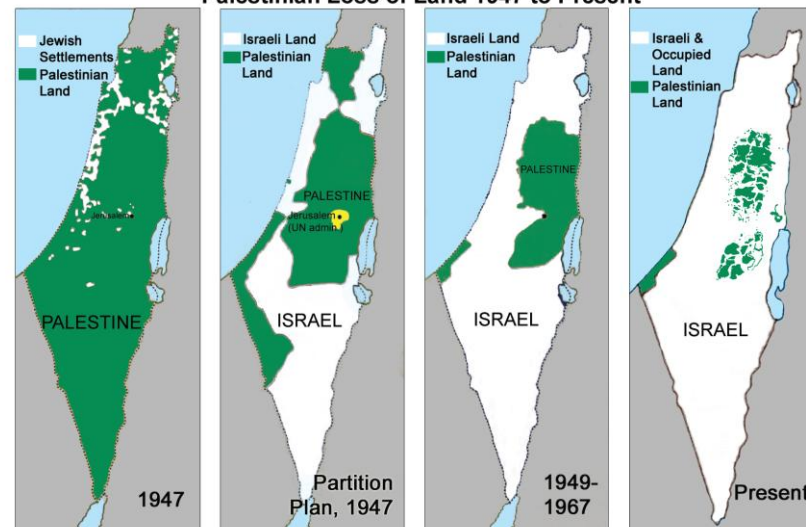
We hope to accomplish these goals by:

- providing material aid
- encouraging people to visit occupied Palestine
- hosting nationally known speakers
- offering educational presentations
- supporting Palestinian trade cooperatives through the sale of their products
- sponsoring Palestinian art and cultural exchanges
- promoting boycott, divestment and sanctions directed at Israel (BDS)

Further, we support national campaigns that oppose the Israeli occupation of Palestinian lands and its matrix of control through settlements, land confiscation, closures, house demolitions, the apartheid wall and other violations of international law.

Our allies include civil and human rights activists, faith-based organizations, peace activists, students, Arab-American organizations, Jewish groups that oppose the occupation, and others who promote a just peace in Israel and Palestine. We invite others to join us in this work.

Palestinian Loss of Land 1947 to Present



The Committee works in cooperation with other local, national and international groups including:

- U of L Students for Justice in Palestine <https://www.facebook.com/LouisvilleSJP/>
- The American Palestine Public Affairs Forum (APPAP) www.appaf.org
- Fellowship of Reconciliation www.forusa.org Louisville Chapter louisvillefor.org
- Louisville Committee for Israeli/ Palestinian States louisvillepeace.org/twostates.html

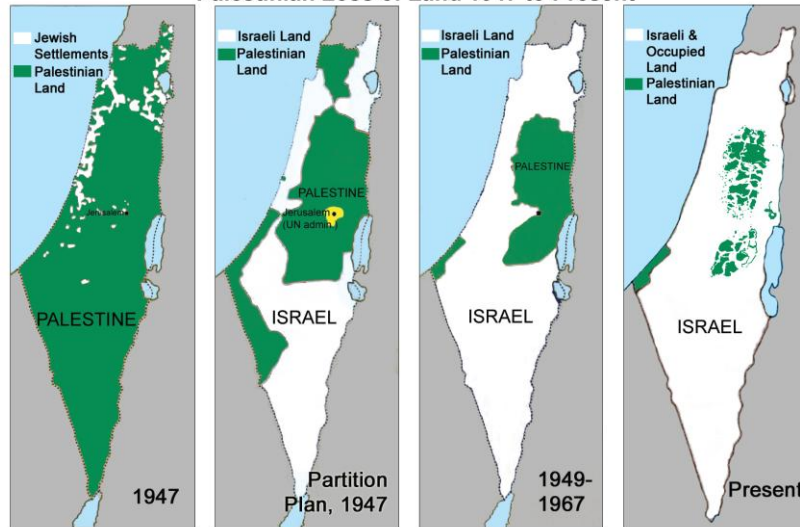
For more information:

- The BDS Movement** <http://www.bdsmovement.net/>
- Gush Shalom** <http://www.gush-shalom.org>
- Electronic Intifada** <http://www.electronicintifada.net/>
- Palestine Monitor** <http://www.palestinemonitor.org/spip/>
- Mondoweiss** <http://mondoweiss.net/>
- The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories** <http://www.btselem.org/>
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