Thank you for joining our mass mobilization efforts.

In this moment of crisis, the central action of Standing Together is the preservation of solidarity and relations between Jewish and Palestinian citizens in Israel, as well as leading the call for a ceasefire and hostage release deal to save innocent lives in Gaza and to bring back the Israeli hostages.

You can strengthen our mission by
1) Sharing a message of humanity to combat the calls for revenge and more bloodshed
2) Raising awareness about the horrific situation in Gaza and the West Bank, and promoting the idea that there is no military solution – the only way to guarantee freedom, safety and equality for all in Israel/Palestine is through a political solution – a just, sustainable peace.
3) Donating or helping to fundraise for our efforts on the ground.

You can also join the Standing Together Supporters community to connect with other international friends of the movement. ***Please note that these are informal chats and their contents do not necessarily reflect the official positions of Standing Together.:***

Standing Together on Social Media (international) – https://chat.whatsapp.com/DSIekmwBEjVEZ2XLuOYab3

USA – E. Coast – https://chat.whatsapp.com/HZ2O857OGXAGDOdFeBIj4v
(New York City, Boston, Washington DC, Philadelphia)

USA – Center – https://chat.whatsapp.com/EmeUzaDx5G6Ad7CPozAJdc
(Illinois, Michigan, Colorado, Kansas City)

USA – W. Coast – https://chat.whatsapp.com/JA6FKHAbZ7WLPR2ZJMabgM
(Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Pacific Northwest, Nevada)

Europe – https://chat.whatsapp.com/CjUQ6dWPWQEKRtggs5JDZo
(UK, France, Belgium, Berlin, Nordic countries)

Canada – https://chat.whatsapp.com/FZr9kofrXvR3lFQEQoKX2Q

(Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal, London)

1) Share the message of humanity:

Social media is not something that happens adjacent to wars. It is used as a front in the war by both Israel and Hamas. People form their opinions and understand how they should react to events via the messages they see on social media. Here is what you can do:

A) Join our WhatsApp group where we share our social media posts in English, so that people can help amplify them: https://bit.ly/3s3Jia7

B) Share content from our social media accounts:
https://www.instagram.com/standing.together.english/
https://www.facebook.com/standingtogetherenglish
https://twitter.com/omdimbeyachad

2) Join Friends of Standing Together, our global community of partners in our mission to achieve peace, equality, and social justice in Israel/Palestine.

Israel/Palestine is at a historic junction. The coming months and years will determine the path we follow – endless war and internal division, or solidarity, justice, and peace. For the latter to be achieved, a mass movement must demand it. Building such a movement is an ongoing task, and to continue to grow and expand our movement, we need ongoing support. *Friends of Standing Together* contribute monthly sums to Standing Together, which enables us to achieve the financial stability necessary to achieve real fundamental change and adapt to the changing needs of our society. It means that you're not just there for us in moments of extreme crisis – rather you're with us for the long run, and you're committed to being a part of the long road that lies ahead of us.

By becoming a *Friend of Standing Together*, you will:

- Join the larger global community of Standing Together, strengthening our voice for solidarity and peace worldwide
- Have the opportunity to participate in regular Zoom conversations with members of Standing Together's leadership, and other events and meetings exclusive to Friends of Standing Together

- Be invited to join Standing Together's activities and organizing around the world with guidance from Standing Together leadership

Become a Friend of Standing Together by joining here:
https://www.standing-together.org/friends

Purchase a Standing Together English t-shirt:
https://standing-together-movement.printify.me/

3) Help fundraise for the mutual aid network on the ground in Israel-Palestine:

Ways to donate:

- Donations in USD via Check: https://pefisrael.org/charity/standing-together-ltd/
- Donations in USD via credit card online: https://causematch.com/standing-together
- https://secured.israeltoremet.org/en/pay/standingtogether
- Donations in Pounds or Swiss Frank: https://www.standing-together.org/donatehere
- Direct wire transfers for donations in Euros:
    - Oversees Wire Transfer:
      Bank name: BANK LEUMI LE ISRAEL B.M.
      Leumi's swift code: LUMIILIT806
      Routing number: IL010806
      IBAN account number: IL120108060000074430057

      Bank Address: Dizengoff 50, Tel Aviv 6433222 Israel
      Company Address: Mikveh Israel 8, Tel Aviv 6511403 Israel

If you wire transfer the donation directly, please notify us at info@standing-together.org

Our work since the outbreak of the war:

Solidarity Conventions

In the first couple of months of the war, we held conventions across the country bringing together hundreds of Jewish and Palestinian citizens to discuss our shared grief, the war's impact on our

society, and how to generate hope and solidarity during this dark time. These conferences rapidly grew the networks of Jewish and Palestinian citizens working towards solidarity and peace and provided people with much-needed hope and a safe space to grieve together and imagine a different future.

De-escalation, solidarity, and support for victims of political persecution within Israel

Using existing movement infrastructure, we opened 12 solidarity networks across the country, in which over 5,000 Jewish and Palestinian activists participate in a wide range of actions promoting solidarity and de-escalation. Our solidarity networks have been holding meetings to provide safe and open spaces for discourse, pooling efforts for humanitarian and mutual aid, monitoring calls for violence and discrimination, and reporting them to authorities. In addition, solidarity networks have been cleaning public spaces of racist and violent graffiti, replacing it with posters calling for solidarity and peace, running an emergency hotline to support victims of violence and political persecution, and visiting hospitals with flowers and bilingual greeting cards to support Jewish-Arab partnership in hospitals.

Student Support

Standing Together has 12 student chapters at various Israeli universities and colleges which are working to provide extra support for students affected by the war. Many Palestinian students are suffering from racism and discrimination, as well as expulsion as a result of increased political persecution. In addition, students are facing mental distress, lack of employment due to the war, and displacement around the country. We have been ensuring that our student chapters are prepared to assist students in need of help, report calls to violence and racism, and promote de-escalation and solidarity on campus.

Rallies for a ceasefire and peace agreement

In December we held two rallies calling for peace and a ceasefire agreement, the first in Haifa bringing over 300 people, and the second in Tel Aviv with over 1000 attendees. In January we held a march and rally in Tel Aviv with over two thousand people - the biggest rally for a ceasefire since the outbreak of the war. The rallies demanded a ceasefire agreement to bring back the hostages and save the lives of innocent people in Gaza, a sustainable peace agreement, and promoted solidarity between Jewish and Palestinian citizens of Israel.

Standing Together in 2024

We are continuing to push for an urgent ceasefire and hostage release deal, to save the lives of innocent people in Gaza and bring back the Israeli hostages alive. Our vision for the year ahead is to revive conversations in Israeli society around Israeli-Palestinian peace and mobilize Jews and Palestinians towards a new political horizon - one that can guarantee freedom, equality, and security for everyone in Israel/Palestine. As a democratic movement, we are holding our peace and equality national convention in February, where movement members from across the country will meet to vote for our national leadership and discuss our vision and strategy for building the political will within Israel to strive for Israeli-Palestinian peace. From there, we will be doubling down on our efforts to fight for an end to the occupation, justice, equality, and peace.

Some texts from Standing Together leadership that you may use for events or share on social media:

Ghadir Hani's, a member of Standing Together's national leadership wrote this text soon after the October 7th attack:

I want to be able to believe in hope.
I pray that from this horrible tragedy redemption can take seed.
I see around us so much darkness, heartbreaking pain, that all of us are feeling as we hear the stories from survivors of the massacre. I read and listen to more and more stories about the murdered and the survivors. It was just a matter of chance, the difference between the cruel death and the few people who were saved by God's hand.
For every person within their life story, who saw the face of evil, I know how hard it is to stop the feeling of revenge. Believe me, I too feel profound pain. But I have one request of you, remember that the civilians in Gaza, in their overwhelming majority, are also victims of the abhorrent regime of terror. They should not be punished with death but rather freed from years of oppression.
I was once told by a laborer from Gaza who received a work visa in Israel how much he prayed that his children would also be able to study and to work and to get out of Gaza. That was his dream. What we need to do now is not massacre a civilian population.
An international coalition of different countries is the hope for Israel and for the civilians of Gaza. We need a coalition to help rehabilitate the Gaza strip and its citizens. The price for

our children and our elderly should not be starvation or death from lack of water. The Jewish faith forbids this – as I've learned from my friends who are Rabbis.
No to revenge. No to losing our humanity. No one can knowingly face God if they have cast off the divine commandments.
I ask from the bottom of my heart that we all say a prayer – Jews and Arabs from all the religions and faiths, let us sanctify the memories of the people who were murdered.
Let us raise a prayer for the lives of all of us who reside in the Holy Land.
And in your prayer, think of Vivian – my friend and activist for peace whose tracks disappeared and has apparently been abducted into Gaza on that dark Saturday.
I believe that my words are also hers.

Shahd Bishara, a member of our national leadership, wrote a piece of her thoughts during this time:

My heart aches deeply as I mourn for the precious lives lost in both Gaza and Israel. The recent heinous attack by Hamas in Israel, which targeted thousands of innocent people, should not be used as a justification for Israel's collective punishment and the commission of war crimes against Palestinians in Gaza. Innocent lives are being shattered, dreams are being crushed, and families are being torn apart. It is an unbearable reality that we cannot turn a blind eye to. Revenge may seem like a justified response to the pain and suffering endured, but we must recognize that it will only perpetuate a vicious cycle of violence and despair. It may momentarily satisfy our thirst for justice, but it will ultimately lead to more pain and loss for both sides involved. Let us not fall into the trap of believing that revenge will solve our deepest wounds. Instead, let us channel our collective anguish and pain into a transformative force that challenges the status quo. We must not be deceived by the illusion of a military solution. The horror and devastation we witness in Gaza only deepen the wounds that bind us together as humans. The safety and security of each and every life, whether in Israel or the occupied Palestinian territories, is intertwined. We cannot find lasting peace without acknowledging the suffering and aspirations of both sides. I call upon Jews and Arabs to appeal to your humanity. Let us not succumb to the darkness of hatred and division sown by those who seek violence and conflict. Instead, let us find strength in unity, in our shared values of love, respect, and understanding. Together, we can create a ripple of change that transforms despair into hope, fear into bravery, and animosity into compassion. Let us ignite the flame of peace within our hearts and raise our voices to challenge the forces that fuel

violence and destruction. In this moment of darkness, let us stand in solidarity, enveloped by empathy and driven by an unwavering commitment to peace. Together, we can make a difference. Together, we can forge a path toward a future where children grow up without fear, where coexistence replaces hostility, and where the legacy we leave behind is one of harmony and justice. May our collective grief ignite a movement that shakes the foundations of the status quo and paves the way for a better tomorrow. Let us rally together, united in our shared longing for peace, and ensure that the cries for justice and humanity are heard loud and clear.