

BELLINGHAM GI SANCTUARY CITY

The Bellingham GI Sanctuary City campaign is proposing an ordinance to Bellingham City Council that would clarify Bellingham's position on the execution of Absent Without Leave (AWOL) warrants issued by the military.

This ordinance is making the distinction that it is not Bellingham Police department's responsibility, to act on the apprehension and detainment of service-members absent from military service. These actions are not local law-enforcements responsibility, and the Bellingham community does not want it's tax dollars going to incriminating Soldiers of Conscience.

It directs the Bellingham Police not to apprehend or detain citizens solely on the basis of military AWOL or desertion. This ordinance will not protect service-members wanted for activity considered criminal under civilian law.

To that end, we hope to make the clarification that the apprehension of military deserters by civilian law enforcement agencies is voluntary and should not be a concern of Bellingham Police. Bellingham does not want its tax money going to funding the apprehension and detainment of these service-members when we as community have already spoken out against these wars and our troops have not yet been returned. The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have been condemned by our city and should not be a concern to the Bellingham Police.



Voice Your Support, Call your city council members today!! Tell them:
—Why collaboration through a local ordinance, community solidarity and education about Soldiers of Conscience, is important! Tell them, I Support smart and conscious spending of our tax dollars!!
—Apprehending AWOL service-members is the military's duty and is not a civilian crime.
—Bellingham has lost too much from these wars, and we are not willing to spend more on the detainment of soldiers of conscience.
-Urge Everyone you know to; Pass the Ordinance making Bellingham GI Sanctuary City

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