

Why We Must Close Guantánamo

A PUBLIC FORUM featuring the voices of past president of Veterans For Peace (VFP), Elliott Adams, and Portland's Guantánamo Solidarity Fasters and Vigilers. Sponsored by VFP Chapter 72 and the Economic Justice Action Group of the First Unitarian Church.

Thursday, November 7 • 7:00pm

Eliot Chapel, First Unitarian Church, 1011 SW 12th Ave., Portland

— SUGGESTED DONATION: \$2–20 SLIDING SCALE (A BENEFIT FOR VFP CHAPTER 72) —

Movement Action Plan: A Social Change Tool

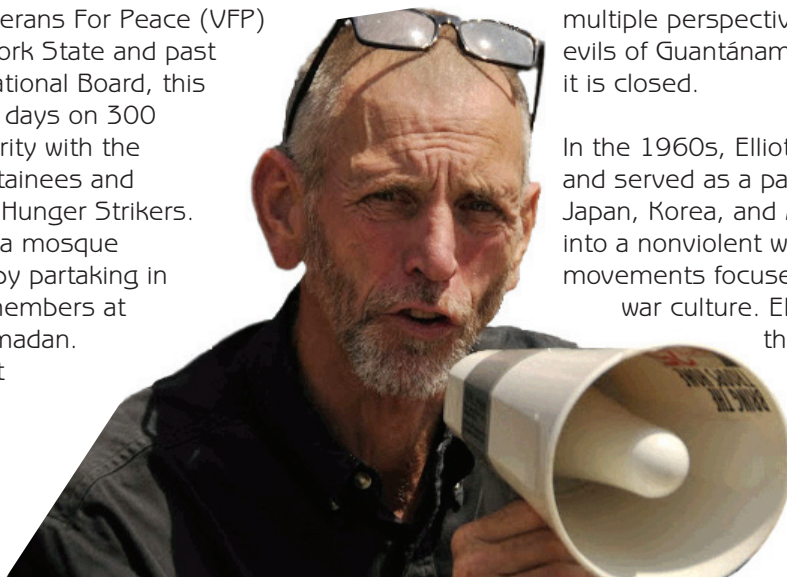
A WORKSHOP on Movement Action Plan (MAP), a strategic model for social movements that has been used successfully for decades in very diverse campaigns. This workshop is designed to help motivate organizers to determine what the next step might be to recapture the public interest to their issue. Presented by Elliott Adams.

Wednesday, November 6 • 6:30pm

18th Avenue Peace House, 2116 NE 18th Ave., Portland

— SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5–10 • BRING YOUR OWN BROWN BAG DINNER (OPTIONAL) —

ELLIOTT ADAMS, Veterans For Peace (VFP) member from New York State and past president of VFP's National Board, this summer lived for 80 days on 300 calories/day in solidarity with the Guantánamo Bay Detainees and Pelican Bay Prisoner Hunger Strikers. He ended his fast at a mosque in Albany, New York by partaking in meal with mosque members at sundown, during Ramadan. Now on a West Coast speaking tour intent on swelling the social movement that will "Close Gitmo!" Adams makes a strong case from



multiple perspectives, shifting the discussion from the evils of Guantánamo to why we will all be better off when it is closed.

In the 1960s, Elliott Adams volunteered for the army and served as a paratrooper in the infantry in Viet Nam, Japan, Korea, and Alaska. Over time, Elliott transformed into a nonviolent warrior, applying himself to building movements focused on creating justice and ending our war culture. Elliott has been arrested repeatedly for the cause of peace. He has also served his local community in a variety of capacities, including president of the school board, mayor of his village, and president of Rotary.

MORE INFO: vfpchapter72.org
closegitmo.net