



Sowing a Nonviolent City

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Actions suggested from presenters:

Attica Scott

1. Support organizations that are addressing addiction and mental health needs, especially from a trauma-informed perspective
2. Demand an end to the school-to-prison pipeline.

Connie Courtney

1. Understand how and when the NRA shifted its core mission.
2. Understand how the gun lobby blocks gun violence research.
3. Understand how the gun lobby works in Washington and at the state level.

Mitra Jarfazadeh

- 1) Address domestic violence in real time.
- 2) Cultivate compassion and integrate nonviolent values into personal and political everyday decisions.

Michael Whiting

Study the history of nonviolence and how we can apply it to our own local community.

Elizabeth Vega

- 1) Understanding of strategies and tools which can be used in other communities
- 2) Familiarization of the term emotional justice and its significance for communities.

Rev. Alonzo Johnson and Rev. Ron Robinson

1. Greater commitment to proactive involvement in violence prevention.
2. Tool kit for helping faith communities engage cultures of violence.

Jan Arnow

- 1.) Learn to confront our despair
- 2.) Acknowledge that what we fear will not go away (on its own)
- 3.) Break the taboo about dealing publicly with our concerns about the future by deciding that we as individuals, families, schools, and communities are willing to talk and are open to listening.
- 4.) Truly believe it is our responsibility to do so.

Sharon Pearson

1. An adult program on how to address the controversial topic of gun violence in the local congregation
2. Ways to incorporate awareness in the prayers of the people for local worship
3. Ways for a congregation or individuals to become advocates for peace in a variety of ways

Louisville Showing Up for Racial Justice/Stand Up Louisville

1. Recognize difference experiences and perspectives, and how structural racism and racial stereotypes connect with gun violence.
2. How can people from less impacted areas, in particular, white people, reach other white people, show up in accountable ways, and work toward a common goal across lines of difference?