



BUDDHIST PEACE FELLOWSHIP

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Chapter Application

Please fill out both sides; use additional paper if necessary to answer any questions more fully.
Mail completed form to: BPF Chapter Coordinator, PO Box 3470, Berkeley, CA 94703.

1. Date of application: _____

2. Name of chapter: _____

3. Location of chapter: City: _____
State/Province _____ Country _____

4. Core Group Members (at least 3 people who agree to help share leadership and stewardship of this chapter). These people should be BPF members in good standing:

1. Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Buddhist tradition/practice: _____

2. Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Buddhist tradition/practice: _____

3. Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Buddhist tradition/practice: _____

5. Chapter Contact: This person agrees to be responsible for responding to inquiries about the chapter in a timely way, and staying in regular communication with the BPF Chapter Coordinator and Regional Representative on the Chapter Council. (Can be someone from #3, above).

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: (will not be listed publicly, but may be shared with other chapter contacts):

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

6. Intention: Please tell us why your group wants to be a BPF chapter.

7. Current group status and activities

How many meetings has your group had so far? _____

What kinds of topics and issues is your group interested in addressing?

If you've held any events or actions, please tell us about them here (attach extra paper if necessary):

8. Agreements: Please check boxes below to indicate your agreement with Chapter Guidelines.

Regular chapter meetings: Our chapter commits to hold chapter meetings or gatherings open to the general public at least 4 times a year. These can be business meetings, social gatherings such as a potlucks, or other types of get-togethers. (See Chapter Handbook for ideas).

Public events and/or actions: Our chapter commits to organize at least one public event or action each year that helps to embody BPF's mission and purpose, and that is informed by BPF's Guiding Principles (included in the 2006-2009 Strategic Plan).

Political Activity: We understand that BPF chapters are required to abide by the federal laws applying to 501(c)3, and agree to not engage in activities which could endanger the nonprofit status of the Buddhist Peace Fellowship by either directly or indirectly attempting to influence legislation or engaging in partisan political lobbying. We agree to check with the Chapter Coordinator before holding any event or action that could be construed or interpreted as lobbying, or attempting to influence elections for public office or legislation in any way.

Chapter Responsibilities: We have read and agree to the "Chapter Responsibilities" section of the Information packet including: notification of chapter activities; mailing lists; property rights; maintaining a current Chapter Contact; and, participating in the annual reflection process.

9. Signature: By signing below, our chapter agrees to act under the principles and guidelines of the Buddhist Peace Fellowship statement of purpose and to work in accord with the spirit of BPF.

(This application should be signed by the Chapter Contact.)

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name (print): _____

For office use:

Date received: _____

Decision: Accepted Rejected Hold for more information

Follow up needed:

If accepted: Chapter certification letter from board sent Chapter listed in TW and website

Staff person tracking application: