

# ARMY OF NONE



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**U.S. ARMY**  
ARMY STRONG



“I left the military because the situation is now that it is not conducting itself as a professional unit. I refuse to work in an organization that commits war crimes.”

“At the end of the day, you have to ask yourself if this is something you can live with. It’s your life and the choice is ultimately yours to make. I said NO and I will never regret it.”

— KYLE SNYDER



**“It is my conclusion as an officer of the Armed Forces that the war in Iraq is not only morally wrong but a horrible breach of American law. Although I have tried to resign out of protest, I am forced to participate in a war that is manifestly illegal. As the order to take part in an illegal act is ultimately unlawful as well, I must as an officer of honor and integrity refuse that order.”**

**— LIEUTENANT EHREN WATADA**

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Lt. Ehren Watada (with Iraq Veterans Against the War behind him) addresses the National Veterans for Peace Conference, 2006.

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**A**t age 19 I enlisted in the Guard as a cook because I wanted to experience military life. When I enlisted I believed that killing was immoral, but also that war was an inevitable part of life and therefore, an exception to the rule.

After enlisting I began the slow transformation into adulthood.

I began to see a bigger picture of the world and I started to reevaluate everything that I had been taught about war as a child. I developed the belief that taking human life was wrong and war was no exception.

Because I believe so strongly in non violence, I cannot perform any role in the military. Any person doing any job in the Army contributes in some way to the planning, preparation or implementation of war.

**Army SPC Katherine Jashinski  
the first woman to publicly declare  
resistance to participation in the Iraq War**





Iraq era veteran and GI resister Pablo Paredes leads the Latino March for Peace and for immigrant rights in Salinas, CA. The march went from Tijuana, Mexico to San Francisco, California. Photo by Jeff Paterson, Jeff.Paterson.net







# Armed Forces Career Center



People shut down and repaint recruitment center and occupy street in front. Oakland, CA. 2005

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