



CAMPAIGN TO STOP KILLER ROBOTS

10 Ways for Scouts to Get Involved

The Campaign to Stop Killer Robots is a coalition of over a hundred civil society organizations working around the world to stop the development and use of fully autonomous weapons through an international treaty. These weapons would be able to select and engage targets without human intervention, effectively ceding the decision to take a human life to a machine. Militaries are actively seeking to acquire these weapons and governments have been slow to respond to the threat they pose.

While our campaigners are creating pressure at the United Nations and in national capitals around the world, lobbying governments to enact proactive policy on this issue, we need youth – and Scouts in particular – to use their voices as young leaders to drive policy changes!

We've seen the power that youth leadership can have. It's up to each of us to harness the power of community to create meaningful change. The tips below are concrete ways you can contribute as an individual – thinking globally, and acting locally. Together, we can contribute to create a better world—one that enshrines human dignity and rights for all.

Listed in order of low effort to high effort:

1. **Sign a petition** saying that you do not support the development, manufacture, trade, or use of fully autonomous weapons. The growing number of signatures is a significant figure that conveys the urgency of the matter to policymakers. Over 25,000 artificial intelligence experts have co-signed various open letters since 2015 calling for a new treaty to ban fully autonomous weapons.
2. **[Donate funds](#)** to the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots.
3. **Ask a question** of the CEO of major tech companies like Google, Amazon, Microsoft, and Apple. If the company was presented with a lucrative opportunity to contribute to fully autonomous weapons would the CEO take it? If the technology these companies are working on is dual-use, but companies can clarify exactly what limits exist on how it will be deployed or modified. Question where the company receives funding and how it chooses its customers and partners.
4. **[Write a letter](#)** to your congress members or parliamentarians. Meet with your elected leaders on the issue and share your concerns as a constituent. Advocate for not just regulation, but a pre-emptive ban on fully autonomous weapons, which remains possible if you help us build the political momentum.
5. **Nominate** a Campaign to Stop Killer Robots member as a speaker for your Scout group. We love to share our work, and talk about how youth can harness their passions to help

civil society. Let's collaborate and pitch a talk.

6. **Write** a blog post featuring the Campaign. Make killer robots the topic of your next vlog. Publish an op-ed. You have a unique and fresh perspective - share it with the world! [Pitch it](#) to national outlets, but also to your local paper, or organization-wide newsletter/publication. We'd be happy to promote your work, and if you'd like to arrange an interview with someone from the Campaign, please reach out to media@stopkillerrobots.org.
7. **Mobilize your network.** Consider the groups you're already a part of- would they be interested in robots? You bet. Would a local veterans group have strong opinions on AI & warfare? Yep. Help us reach interested communities and give them the ideas and agency to contribute to the work of the Campaign. Raise ethical concerns with startups you support or volunteer for.
8. **Host** an educational event and deep dive into the topic of artificial intelligence in warfare. This can be a meetup or a discussion group to raise awareness, a book club meeting, a hackathon, a trivia night, a fundraiser, a public demonstration, or a dinner party. Think outside of the box—What about feminism and killer robots? What about a dance party for a cause, board game night, or an art gallery event? Consider the impact you would like to have and leave your audience with an action-oriented goal.
9. **[Volunteer your time](#)** with the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. We're always looking for translation of our materials, and creative ways to convey our message through digital means. What unique passions & skills do you have that could amplify our cause?
10. **Become a youth campaigner or spokesperson.** Are you passionate about this issue? We want to hear from you and are looking for ways to bring youth leadership to our Campaign! Contact us at isabelle@stopkillerrobots.org to learn more about youth leadership opportunities.

Interested in getting involved? We're here to help with resources, expert knowledge and to connect you with a global network of tech allies working with the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. For even more ideas of ways you can help, visit www.stopkillerrobots.org and [sign up for our monthly mailing list](#). Stay up to date by following the Campaign on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or subscribe on [YouTube](#).