

## WHAT IS THE THIRD SIDE?



The Third Side is **a way of looking** at the conflicts around us not just from one side or the other but from the **larger perspective** of the surrounding community.

Taking the Third Side means

- **Seeking to understand both sides** of the conflict
- **Encouraging** a process of **cooperative negotiation** and **speaking out against** any **abuse** or **violence**
- **Supporting an inclusive solution** - one that fairly meets the essential needs of both sides and the community

You can have natural sympathies for one side or the other and still choose to take the Third Side.

**Any of us can take the Third Side anytime  
at home, at work, in the community,  
and in the world.**

**For more information, see [www.thirdside.org](http://www.thirdside.org)**