On Saturday, July 18, Tri-Valley CAREs’ Board of Directors, staff and representatives from our membership met for our annual strategic planning retreat. Utilizing expert facilitation, great discussion, and examination of strategic opportunities in the coming year, the participants chose the program priorities for the coming 12 months (2015-2016).

The following program priorities received a sufficient number of votes to be chosen for the year. Here they are in “rank order.”

1. **ENSURE THE CLEANUP OF POLLUTION AT THE LIVERMORE LAB MAIN SITE & SITE 300.**
   This is about leaking toxic and radioactive waste cleanup.

2. **CUT THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS BUDGET TO STOP NEW BOMBS AND BOMB PLANTS.**
   This is about stopping new and modified U.S. nuclear weapons and the new bomb plants that would be used to build them.

3. **CURTAIL THE NATIONAL IGNITION FACILITY’S ROLE IN NUCLEAR WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTE ITS REMOVAL FROM NNSA.**
   This is about stopping the use of plutonium in NIF, cutting its budget and redirecting it to unclassified experiments.

4. **(Tie)** **PROMOTE GLOBAL NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, NON-PROLIFERATION & THE “RULE OF LAW.”**
   This is about the global elimination of nuclear weapons.

4. **(Tie)** **OBTAIN JUSTICE FOR SICK WORKERS WITH A FOCUS ON LIVERMORE & SANDIA LAB WORKERS MADE ILL BY ON THE JOB EXPOSURES.**
   This is about justice for workers exposed to toxic and radioactive materials.

5. **ADVOCATE A “GREEN LAB”; TRANSFORM LIVERMORE & SANDIA LABS TO CIVILIAN SCIENCE.**
   This is about removing Livermore and Sandia Labs from the nuclear weapons complex.