

**Suggestions for Planning an Activity for the
U.N. International Day of Peace
CITIES Peace Team - 2015**



- Choose an activity that is both **meaningful** and **manageable** to your organization/community.
- Reach out to **collaborators** - Peace Day is a great opportunity to form new partnerships!
- Consider theming your activity around the United Nations **global theme**. The **2015 global theme** is “**Partnerships for Peace - Dignity for All**”
- Consider if/how your event will involve/engage **children and youth**.
- Perhaps make your event the first of a series - Peace Day is a great day to **launch a new initiative!**
- Use the poster, 100 day countdown message and other resources from <http://www.un.org/en/events/peaceday/> to help spread the word.
- If you are on Facebook, **LIKE the International Day of Peace Facebook page**.
- Make the observance of the **Minute of Silence at noon** (a global activity in all time zones) in your community a part of your Peace Day observance - through this simple yet powerful act, your community will join with others across the world! MOS PDF: <http://bit.ly/1f24bGM>.
- Consider a gathering with food in keeping with the international initiative **Global Feast for Peace** - this can include intercultural dialogue. GFP PDF: <http://bit.ly/1IRtF1j>.
- Involve **peace education** information that can be found at this link: <http://www.peacedayphilly.org/what-can-you-do/children/>.
- Consider including a **community art activity** in your event. For ideas, go to this link: <http://www.peacedayphilly.org/what-can-you-do/art/>.
- If you organize a soccer/futbol match, use the guidelines on www.peaceday.org for **One Day One Goal**.
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- Reach out to your local Radio Stations and encourage them to play a “Set for Peace.” Video about this initiative: <http://bit.ly/1r83mOH> One page Radios for Peace PDF: <http://bit.ly/1J4AD9G>.
- Make a discussion of the **post-2015 UN goals** part of your event (go to: <http://www.worldwewant2015.org>) and/or **Roots and Shoots** (<https://www.rootsandshoots.org>)
- Make sure to **market your event** with a flier, on social media, on radio and other outlets. Also consider personally inviting groups to your event to ensure a good number of participants.
- Ask **public officials** for a **statement of support for Peace Day**, and either invite them to attend or read their statement of support at your program.
- **Take photos** of your event to share on Facebook the IDP FB page and/or with other NGOs.
- Consider becoming a member of **International Cities of Peace** to reflect your ongoing commitment to making your community/city a more peaceful place: <http://internationalcitiesofpeace.org>.
- Close your program with the universal statement, “**May Peace Prevail On Earth!**”