

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



- Choose an activity that's both **meaningful & manageable** for your organization/community.
- Reach out to **collaborators** - Peace Day is a great opportunity to form new partnerships!
- Discuss what the **goals of your program** would be & who/what is needed to meet those goals.
- Consider centering the theme of 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**. Peace education information that can be found at this link: <http://bit.ly/1zVsCc4>.
- Perhaps make your event the **first of a series** - Peace Day is a great day to launch initiatives!
- Use **days/times and venue** that your group/the public are accustomed to for attendance.
- Make the **Minute of Silence at noon** on 9/21 (a global activity in all time zones) part of your observance. Min Of Silence PDF: <http://bit.ly/1f24bGM>; FB: <http://on.fb.me/1JahdhN>.
- Consider a gathering with food in keeping with the international initiative **Global Feast for Peace** this can include intercultural dialogue. Global Feast PDF: <http://bit.ly/1IRtF1j>.
- Consider including a **community art** activity in your event. Ideas: <http://bit.ly/1FloMur>.
- Consider "planting" a **Peace Pole** in your community and having a simple gathering around it. Learn more: <http://peacepoleproject.org>.
- If you organize a soccer/futbol match, go to [www.peaceday.org](http://www.peaceday.org) for "**One Day One Goal**" for useful info. Thousands of games happen worldwide on and around 9/21.
- Make discussion/activity around **post-2015 UN goals** (<http://www.worldwewant2015.org>) or the environment org **Roots & Shoots** (<https://www.rootsandshoots.org>) part of your event.
- Make sure to **market your event** with a flier, through 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.
- Close your program with the universal statement, "**May Peace Prevail in \_\_\_\_\_ (your city) - May Peace Prevail On Earth!**" (<http://worldpeace.org>)
- **Share your activities and events** using the #**peaceday** and the **IDP Facebook page event link**: <http://on.fb.me/1NiCDuJ>.
- Consider becoming a member of **International Cities of Peace** to reflect your ongoing commitment to making your city a more peaceful place: <http://internationalcitiesofpeace.org>.