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SERVE FOR PEACE THROUGH ACTION

Peace Agents Program Summary

Peace Through Action USA's Peace Agents program supplies compensated servant leaders—peace agents—to U.S. communities experiencing aggression and violence. We serve as an intermediary—recruiting, screening, and matching people who wish to dedicate a service term focused on peacebuilding to organizations that seek to increase peace between people and groups in their communities. Our peace agents lead community peace projects with their project sponsors. Peace Through Action USA helps project sponsors raise funds for and supervises our peace agents to lower barriers to human resources that community organizations face.

Our Peace Agents

Peace Through Action USA welcomes as applicants for peace agent positions any willing American with at least a high school diploma or equivalent, aged 18 and older, and a desire to serve for peace. We screen applicants for their motivations, qualifications, and skills. Our peace agents serve over a medium- to long-term period. Some serve a full-time, full-year term. Others serve partial-time. We provide peace agents a wage to help them meet basic needs while serving.

Peace Agents Services

Peace agents deliver capacity-building services and/or direct services to communities who request our presence with them in their peacebuilding work. The specific services each peace agent provides their community match depends on its needs and the agent's own skills set.

Capacity-building services include conducting peaceful practices needs assessments and services gaps analyses; leading planning processes; developing and maintaining coalitions of organizations with common peacebuilding purposes; selecting and introducing culturally-appropriate, evidence-based and promising peaceful practices into the community; identifying trainers for teaching the practices; recruiting community members to learn the practices; and building the funding, promotion, and performance management infrastructures to sustain the practices.

Direct services include training community members in social and emotional skills; convening restorative circles and mediation sessions in which community members resolve differences; organizing neighborhood volunteering opportunities; and serving as neighborhood watch leaders, home visitors, youth courts leaders, community arts leaders, or sport for development leaders.

Our Call to Action—Join Our #PeaceBeginsWithWe Campaign

Serve as a peace agent. Start a peace project for your community. Peace Through Action can help you in designing your project, raising funds for it, and providing people and money management support. Go to https://peacethroughaction.org/start to take the next step.

Sponsor a community peace project and host a Peace Through Action USA peace agent. Go to https://peacethroughaction.org/start to take the next step.

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