International Community, Middle Eastern, Palestinian: Resource Guide

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Worldwide

Seeds of Peace (diplomacy thru young adult education)

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.seedsofpeace.org
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http://www.seedsofpeace.org/programs/camp

Free from the pressures and prejudices of their home communities, hundreds of Middle Eastern and South Asian teenagers meet their historic enemies face–to–face at the Seeds of Peace International Camp in Maine. In this neutral setting, participants learn more than just leadership and coexistence skills—they develop the friendships and trust necessary to build lasting peace.

The Camp experience is designed to reverse the dehumanization process that fuels conflict and serves as a departure point for continued coexistence activities in the Middle East and South Asia.

Typically, applicants to Seeds of Peace apply through the school systems in their home country. Applicants aged 14–16 must demonstrate proficiency in English and leadership skills, as well as motivation, based on a written essay and a series of interviews. Most of the first year campers are chosen by the Ministries of Education or community organizations in their respective countries.

Currently, Seeds of Peace and regional governments recruit campers for the following delegations:
Middle East:

* Egyptian, Israeli, Jordanian, and Palestinian

South Asia:

* Afghan, Indian, and Pakistani

While there are many countries and regions of the world which we would like to incorporate into our programming, funding and organizational priorities are focused for the time being on the regions mentioned above so that we can provide thorough, well–run year–round opportunities.

For more details about the specifics of each participating delegation's selection process (from the list above), please e–mail camp@seedsofpeace.org. Please be sure to include the city in which you live so that we can direct to the appropriate person.
American Seeds

The application deadline for the 2011 American Seeds delegation has passed.

American delegates at Seeds of Peace have an incredible opportunity to learn about international conflicts and cultures first–hand, by living with and participating alongside their peers from the Middle East, South Asia and throughout the United States. American youth are participants in the program in every sense, from bunk life to activities to daily dialogue sessions. As "Seeds", they act as friends and supporters, helping to create links between campers from regions of conflict. American campers often provide a vital sense of perspective especially in the daily coexistence sessions where discussions of history, identity, and politics take place. American youth are encouraged to engage in all discussions and share their own views on such issues. They play an important role in creating an atmosphere conducive to trust–building and dialogue. Aside from their work with the international campers, American Seeds also focus on issues of multiculturalism and racial conflict within the United States; they often learn as much about their own communities as they do those around the world. For this reason, Seeds of Peace strives to create a culturally and racially diverse American delegation.

American participants demonstrate leadership, a willingness to learn, and an interest in international affairs. After Camp, they actively bring their personal experiences into their homes, schools, and communities. They also have the opportunity to participate in Seeds of Peace events and conferences throughout the year. Seeds of Peace strives to create an American delegation that is representative of the population it represents. Our preference is for campers 14–16 years of age who possess both an open–minded attitude and a high level of maturity. The quality of the application essays and a possible interview will be factored in to the selection process. Applicants are asked to choose a session that they would like to attend. Each session hosts a total of 165 campers, 15 of which make up the American Delegation, the rest comprised of delegations from the Middle East, South Asia, and Maine.

Services offered: Advocacy, Anti–Poverty; Advocacy, Economic Justice for Impoverished Populations; Advocacy, Education; Advocacy, International Policy; Sponsorship Program, For Populations of Developing Countries
Campaigns: Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); International Community, Asian; International Community, Middle Eastern, Palestinian

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Other locations

Indigenous Mutual Aid Network [groups to get/give help]

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.indigenousmutualaid.org/directory
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from the link above [see live links for the text below at the link above]:

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Please connect to our Slack channel (send an email to request an invite: indigenousmutualaid@protonmail.com) to connect, share, & build.

As our communities have a deep history with organizing to support each other in times of crisis, we already have many existing Mutual Aid models to draw from. This looks like a small crew coordinating their relatives or friends to chop wood and distribute to elders. It looks like traditional medicine herbal clinics or sexual health supply distribution. It looks like community water hauling efforts or large scale supply runs to ensure elders have enough to make it through harsh winters. Basically any time individuals and groups in our communities have taken direct action (not through politicians or indirect means) and supported others, not for their own self–interests but out of love for their people, this is what we call “mutual aid.”
Our concept of mutual aid does not exclude our non–human relatives or the land. For more info on what Mutual Aid is (and isn’t) please see “Let’s Talk Mutual Aid” by Regan De Loggans. Check out our piece here and these too:
A Mutual Aid Explainer Video
Submedia’s: What Is Mutual Aid?
Big Door Brigade: What is Mutual Aid

Check out our guide on How to Start an Indigenous Mutual Aid relief project.

This project is currently maintained by volunteers with Indigenous Action,
Táala Hooghan Infoshop, and Kinłani Mutual Aid based out of the
Southwestern region of the so–called “United States.”"

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters; Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: 2020/2021 Pandemic, Coronavirus/COVID–19; Alternative Societies; Anti–Colonialism / Anti–Racism / Decolonializers; Arts Community / Artist Network; Bartering Network; Black Lives Matter; Co–Operative Businesses, Coops, Co–ops, Cooperatives; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Ending Colonialism; Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Pollution; Ending Racism / Colonialism / Systemic Oppression; Environmental Sustainability; First Nations / Native Americans; Food Not Bombs; Green–Rainbow Party; Indigenous Mutual Aid; International Community, Middle Eastern, Palestinian; Lucy Parsons Center; Occupy Wall Street / Occupy America / Occupy Together; Quakers; Rainbow Community; Seed Bank / Seed Exchange / Seed Library / Seed Preservation; Social Activists/Organizers; Social Change Initiative; Tribal Communities; Worcester Roots; Worker Owned Co–Operatives
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