

What is PEACE?

The PEACE Project involves Toronto youth, the Toronto Police Service, community agencies and schools in efforts to reduce the negative impact guns and gangs have on all our lives. Working together, youth and police have developed videos, programs and workshops that address violence. PEACE provides youth with opportunities to create positive change in their community, build healthy relationships and develop leadership skills.

- Create, promote and host an ongoing series of youth meetings and joint police/youth training
- Strengthen connections between community agencies, school boards and the Toronto Police Service to better serve the needs of youth and community
- Deliver on-going joint police/youth educational efforts
- Engage community partner agencies and their youth from across the city
- Support and educate parents about gang violence



Our Aim

- Promote PEACE in our communities
- Break down barriers
- Promote alternatives to gun violence
- Demonstrate conflict resolution in a peaceful manner
- Create better understanding and community partnerships by improving youth-police relations
- Provide positive alternatives for youth



"If it weren't for project peace today I wouldn't be working with other youth to make a change. I wouldn't be the evolved person I am today; I wouldn't be raising the awareness of youth that need that extra help in making the right decision at the right time. I would be roaming the streets or in jail; but no, I am doing my passion pursuing my career in triple threat performance for acting, singing, dancing, and stunts for film and television. I wouldn't be doing what I like to do, just helping youth who need and see the opportunity, just like I have been helped by the older youth from the Student Commission.



- The art is already mastered when you are born, it is just a matter of realization" - Saijin

- Saijin, PEACE project team

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BENEFITS TO YOU...

1. Gain Experience

Gives you experience speaking in public.

2. Be a Leader

Improve your leadership skills and be trained as a facilitator.

3. Community Hours

Volunteer and make a real difference.

4. Job Opportunities

Get paid for having a positive impact on your community and on your peers.

5. Meet New Friends

6. Build Networks

7. Improve Interpersonal Skills

8. Build Confidence

9. Raise Awareness of Community Dangers

10. Help Resolve Community Issues

11. Understand Police Services

12. Get Transport Costs Covered (TTC Tokens)



Meet weekly

Organize showcases

Develop and present workshops

Produce DVDs/Videos

Create flyers, pamphlets and posters

Have fun

You can find a list of programs on the back of this brochure.



**Call: 416.597.8297
to get involved.**

For help and information call any of these organizations who are donating their time to Project Peace.

**The Students Commission,
Centre of Excellence for Youth
Engagement**

Weekly Peace Meetings, training, video, magazine and workshop production.
23 Isabella St. (Yonge & Bloor),
(416) 597-8297, www.tgmag.ca

**CTI's Breaking The Cycle Youth
Gang Exit and Ambassador
Leadership Project**

1790 Albion Rd., Suite 101 (27 & Albion), (416) 745-1829 or
4500 Sheppard Ave. E., Unit 476
(Sheppard & McCowan / Brimley),
(416) 293-1287
www.cantraining.org/BTC/btc.php

**Central Toronto Youth
Services (CTYS)**

Programming for youth who are involved in different stages of the youth justice system.
65 Wellesley St. East, Suite 300
(Wellesley & Church)
(416) 924-2100, www.ctys.org

**Conflict Mediation Services of
Downsview**

Conflict resolution services for all types of relationships, especially parent / youth and family.
95 Eddystone Avenue, 2nd floor
(Jane & Finch), (416) 740-2522,
www.cmsd.org

East Metro Youth Services

The Violence Intervention Project provides youth with realistic strategies and skills to prevent violence.
1200 Markham Road, Suite 200
(Ellesmere & Markham),
(416) 438-3697, www.emys.on.ca

Leave Out Violence (LOVE)

LOVE trains young people who have experienced violence to become community leaders of violence prevention.
3130 Bathurst St. Suite 212
(Bathurst & Lawrence W.)
(416) 785-8411,
www.leaveoutviolence.com

Operation Springboard

Programs that prevent crime and integrate at-risk people into the wider community.
2568 Lawrence Ave. E.,
(Lawrence & Midland),
(416) 615-0788
www.operationspringboard.on.ca

**Toronto Police Service's
Community Mobilization Unit**

(416) 808-7080
[www.torontopolice.on.ca/
communitymobilization](http://www.torontopolice.on.ca/communitymobilization)

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