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
- D eliver 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



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Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada, Province of Ontario,
Community Safety and Correctional Services, The Argos Foundation —
Stop the Violence and Bell Canada



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

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 facilitatior.

3. Community Hours

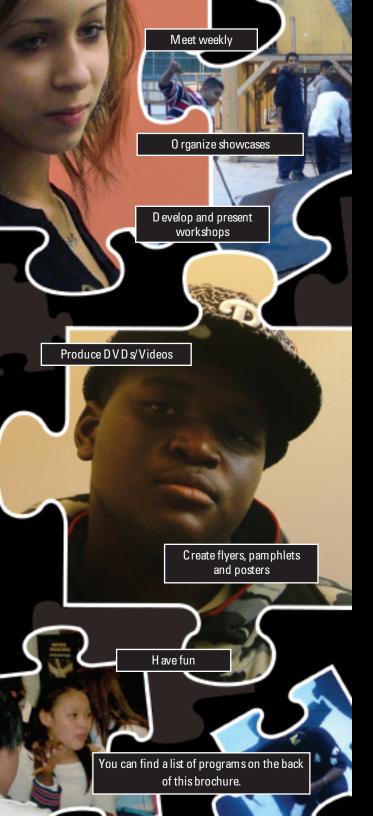
Volunteer and make a real difference.

4. Job Opportunities

G et 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)







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

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.cantraining.org/BTC/btc.php 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

THE MOVEMENT www.peace-project.org



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