

# The ICP Portfolio of CSR Action Plans

## The ICP Corporate Social Responsibility Program

### Multiple Strategies, One Program

- Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)
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- Sustainable Growth Strategy (SGS)
- Governance & Environment Standards
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### *The ICP Marketplace of Safety, Prosperity, and Quality of Life*

*There are over 400 member Cities of Peace in over 70 countries in the association of International Cities of Peace, all ready and capable of bringing local, vetted leadership to meet your organization's goals of community social responsible engagement.*

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## *Detroit, Michigan: International City of Peace* Implementing Water Affordability Plans

### **The Challenge**

Lack of running water leaves residents/families across the state of Michigan in the United States living in unsanitary conditions, such as not being able to bathe, flush the toilet, wash dishes, etc. Cities of Peace, Detroit is working toward implementing Water Affordability Plans within the City water department that will change current policies of shutting off water due to low income or financial hardship in a humane but efficient manner.

### **The Solution**

A Water Affordability Plan, which can be cost-effectively deployed in any city municipal water departments as well as statewide, will help hundreds of thousands of residents across Michigan and the United States that currently do not have access to clean affordable water.

### **Reasons to Be Involved**

Water is a basic necessity to life! Shutting off water is an unsanitary and fixable health hazard for families and neighbors. It can lead to the decline of a City with many homes condemned. This human rights situation has a solution to keep people from losing their homes or children being wards of the state's family services. Cities of Peace, Detroit is positioned to teach, plan and implement Water Affordability Plans for a city or state-wide program that supports all consumers with plans to pay according to their income, allowing residents access to running water even in financial hardship.



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## *Ashland, Oregon: International City of Peace*

Benefit: Finding Solutions to Ashland's Quality of Life Issues

### **The Background**

On May 16, 2017, Mayor John Stromberg, with a unanimous vote of the Ashland City Council, proclaimed that "...the City of Ashland, Oregon is a City of Peace in perpetuity and encourage city and community leaders to develop policies and procedures that promote a culture of peace in our region." The focus and engagement on this accomplishment lessened over a three-year period due to the impact of COVID, but the legacy and dedication of Ashland, the 163rd International City of Peace, has never lessened in the hearts of many community members. Now, the community can, once again, address and quality of life issues through a renewed commitment and positive programs to increase the safety, prosperity, and quality of life of Ashland.



### **Reasons to Be Involved**

The program will establish fundamental ongoing norms for all community members so they see how they contribute to the safety, prosperity, and quality of life for Ashland to be a City of Peace.

### **First Project Steps**

- Oregon State Representative Pam Marsh stated, "A thousand thanks for your devotion to Ashland and for always reminding us that we choose the community we want to be."
- Bring awareness that Ashland is a City of Peace to the broader community through media.
- Establish an Ashland City of Peace organizing team and schedule a first meeting.
- The first meeting is educational and organizational.
- Schedule meetings to set goals and actions through December 2023.

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## *Sangano, Uganda: International City of Peace* Recognize Refugees as Worthy of Education

### The Background

There are over 100,000 refugees in the Nakivale Refugee Settlement in Uganda. The Settlement has been in Uganda since 1960. There are six City of Peace initiatives in Nakivale. The leaders and team in Sangano are building a school – literary brick by brick. A local donor contributed land and bricks. This initiative of peacebuilding and orphans and vulnerable children (ovc) people Uganda was started in January 25, 2020 in the capacity of implementing the role of or changing the life of refugees in accordance with the government's development programs.



### Reasons to Be Involved

“The main goal of our project,” leader Norbert Byambo, a refugee from D.R. Congo states, “is to formulate ways of changing the ways of living for the needy so they can become important people in the society. This can be through opportunity to study in order to be self-sustainable and be independent in solving their day-to-day challenges.”

### Reasons to Be Involved

The group's objective is to be able work as a team in order to secure a plot of land and build three classrooms through volunteer efforts. The team would also be concerned with finding solutions to provide necessary:

- Ensure shelter, food, clothe, water, medical and learning through formal and informal education, not forgetting vocational skills
- Discover potentials or skilled youths and look for opportunities for them.
- Motivate and inspire youth to value work.
- Reunite the society through cultural activities such as dance, drama, theater, and soccer.
- Train about dispute and conflict resolution skills in the communities .

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## *Bahirdar, Ethiopia: International City of Peace* Peacebuilding in the Amhara, Ethiopia Region

### The Challenge

Despite remarkable reforms since 2018, Ethiopia suffers from ongoing and violent conflicts caused by a variety of factors. Some stem from a lack of resources, due to ethnic-identity stereotyping, marginalization, exclusion and as result from acts of violent extremism stemming from ethnicity and nationalistic tension, lack of middle ground or compromise on identity. In addition, economic, social, political, and social media (technology) factors play a role in escalating violence in different regions in Ethiopia. These perplexing atmospheres currently however over Ethiopia and specially in Amhara region shows that Ethiopia is not at peace or not secured.

### Solutions

This project will specifically attempt to empower influential youth and women leaders in five major cities in Amhara region in Ethiopia. Similarly, the project will equip 20,000 higher education institutions students, 20 peace ambassadors and 50 journalists to be peace- enablers who can foster a culture of peace, reconciliation, tolerance, and understanding in Ethiopia in general and in Bahir Dar, Gondar, Dessie, Kombolcha, Debre Markos cities in particular. Zone, Ethiopia.



### Reason to Be Involved

Promote meaningful participation of youth and women in the process of peace building, conflict resolution and reconciliation for peace building in Ethiopia

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## *Kabernet, Kenya: City of Peace* **ECO-Learning Cultural Center**

### **The Challenge**

With escalating conflict between the Turkana and Pokot pastoralist communities, raids for land, water, and cattle have been historically persistent; global climate change, increasing drought, and the availability of small arms have contributed to frequent and more violent conflict. During conflicts, schools often close. Insecurity and fear can be a constant presence among children, teachers and families – all experiencing the impacts of violent turbulence, arms-related injuries, death, high rates of dropouts, poor academic performance, food and water insecurities, and retrogressive practices of child marriage and female genital cutting.



### **Benefits**

Programs, actions, and ideas are already being utilized, such as explanatory sheets on biodiversity, ecological albums, environmental works of art (sculptures, paintings, photographs), comics, explanatory audios, and books to solve environmental problems developed.

### **Solutions**

Kenya Community Centre/Peace School will build, furnish, operate and improve:

- 700 extra learners (from the current 310) will be enrolled in the ongoing programs
- Improve socio-economic status of 1,932 community members by building the school and generating capital to start income generating activities
- Cross-cutting issues such as gender disparity and mistrust among ethnic communities would be addressed through training and dialogue.
- The Kenya School of Peace Project addresses all 17 points that the United Nations has developed and published that need to be addressed to support sustainable global development.

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## ICP Central – Volunteer Team

**Support the work of International Cities of Peace!**

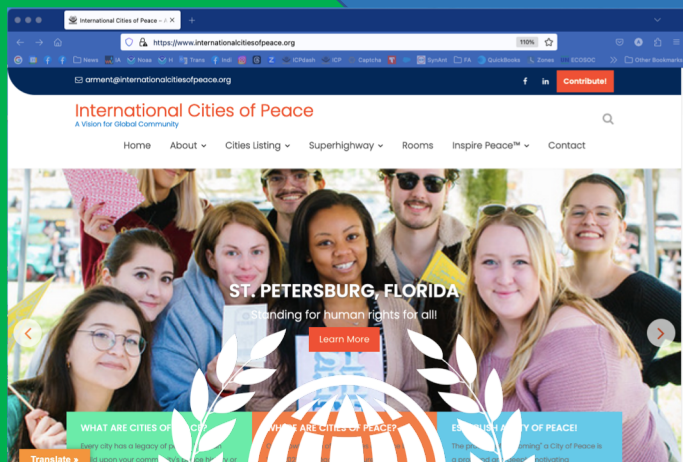
### WHY International Cities of Peace?

*The Vision of our organization is to ensure everyone's right to safety, prosperity, and quality of life, the consensus values of global peace. Each member City of Peace in the association of International Cities of Peace defines their own challenges and develops their own strategies for meeting the needs of community. The essential innovation is respect for local knowledge with emphasis on love of community, which leads to sustained and effective action that is necessary for local/global peace.*

### WHAT do we do?

**The mission of ICP is to** *build a scalable network of “in situ” teams committed to peace-building in Cities of Peace around the world.*

**HOW do we organize to achieve our vision?**



### HOW we organize to achieve our vision?

The essential goal of ICP is to *Certify and recommend thousands of self-organized municipalities as Cities of Peace in order to put in motion a tipping force for global peace.*

### When you Support ICP Central:

You help provide tools and resources for hundreds of peace leaders and thousands in peace teams around the globe. Help keep the association of International Cities of Peace strong in supporting the efforts of hundreds of member Cities of Peace in over 70 countries.

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## *Belgrade, Serbia: City of Peace* **Balkans and Danube Region Education Centre for Sustainable Peace Leadership**

### **The Opportunity**

Belgrade could be a Balkans-Danube Focal Point of International Cities of Peace in the Balkans and Danube River Region, what is above described Network and 24 months of implementation can generate 200+ International Cities of Peace. This Network will have capacities to include (as a possibility for expansion) Adriatic, Mediterranean and Black Sea Countries. Also, politically, important information when we are building Peace is that all Western Balkans Countries are in our Space of Primary Activities for developing International City of Peace Movement. Each community is respected for local knowledge about needs and solutions; each ICP Team will have a platform that is based in love of community, which is the motivation for sustained, effective programs.



### **Reasons to Be Involved**

The Cities of Peace along the Danube are funded to promote sustainable development, improve and sustain health and peaceful lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, and promote a culture of peace and nonviolence, belonging to the global community, respect for cultural diversity and cultural contribution to sustainable development.

### **Continent-Wide Solutions**

#### **Short Term**

Working with one or two cities from each of Balkans and Danube Countries (approximately 30 new ICP) to develop and implement a Network for Balkans and Danube Region Sustainable Peace Leadership and include activist from every city to participate in the creating of the Education for Peace Leadership material and teach them how to motivate other cities in their countries to become new ICPs;

#### **Long Term**

200 cities enter in the educational process to build local communities of activist interested to be a founder of new ICPs but also to make every of these cities a leader in the peacemaking. All educational materials will be finished and online on our platform.

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## *Kyeshero, D.R. Congo: City of Peace* ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROJECT IN THE CITY OF GOMA.

### CHALLENGES:

Kyeshero is a neighborhood in Goma Town in North Kivu, which is a province bordering Lake Kivu in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo. The region is politically unstable and since 1998 and has been one of the flashpoints of the military conflicts in the region and the focal point of the Ebola epidemic. One of the underlying challenges for the future is environmental protection, which is part of the ecological project to reduce the rate of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere with the following objectives: to involve young people in the activities of reforestation, promote environmental education (training and awareness), and plant trees.

### SOLUTIONS

ICP/Kyeshero carries out environmental actions for the promotion of sustainable peace through community work that promotes solidarity, peaceful coexistence, conflict resolution, peace education, etc. With this in mind, reforestation work in a solar environment and within neighborhoods is carried out with young people. To amplify the impact on the ground, we plan to:

- Set up a forest tree nursery;
- Sensitize and train the population on environmental protection;
- Expand reforestation actions within the community;
- Regularly distribute seedlings to schools, universities, neighborhoods, etc.



### REASONS TO BE INVOLVED

We want to bequeath to future generations a stable society and a sustainable environment characterized by the balance of ecosystems, the preservation of biodiversity, the presence of green spaces in our cities and a considerable reduction in pollution.

1. Implement youth led peace clubs in different schools of the neighborhood;
2. Organize sport and cultural activities to sensitize for peace;
3. Promote peaceful coexistence and the respect of diversity through conferences in schools;
4. Encourage diversity, equity and inclusion in the community by preparing young girls to hold leadership positions to school.

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## *Buenos Aires, Argentina: City of Peace* **Mil Melinios de Paz – South America and Beyond**

### OBJECTIVE

The network organization in Argentina has helped establish many peace cities across the continent. When a City becomes a City Committed to Peace they join the International Cities of Peace network. Many important on-the-ground action plans are available, including a profound prison program to prevent recidivism and find reentry success in society. Details and success stories available.

### SOUTH AMERICAN CITIES COMMITTED TO PEACE

- Buenos Aires
- Vicente Lopez, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- Tigre, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- Moron, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- Escobar, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- Junin, Prov. de Mendoza
- Rivadavia, Prov. de Mendoza
- La Paz, Prov. de Mendoza
- San Rafael, Prov. de Mendoza
- Neuquen, Prov. de Nuequen
- Villa de Merlo, Prov. de San Luis
- Carpinteria, Prov. de San Luis
- La Carolina, Prov. de San Luis
- Los Molles, Prov. de San Luis
- Rosario, Prov. de Santa Fé
- San Miguel de Tucuman,
- Monteros, Prov. de Tucumán
- Pilar, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- San Isidro, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- Goya, Prov. de Corrientes
- Adrogué, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- Neuvo de Julio, Prov. de Buenos Aires
- San Lorenzo, Prov. de Santa Fe
- Paysandú, Uruguay



### A THOUSAND FLAGS FOR A THOUSAND ORGANIZATIONS, INSTITUTIONS, AND CITIES COMMITTED TO PEACE,

A project for NGOs, schools, and citizenry. Mil Milenios de Paz has delivered more than 2000 Peace Flags to different organizations in Argentina and 21 countries. This project designates Embassies and Ambassadors of peace throughout South and Central America.

### INTERNATIONAL CITIES OF PEACE

- Merlo, Prov. of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- San Martín, Prov. of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Igarassu, Pernambuco, Brazil
- Ituzaingó, Prov. of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Santiago de Cali, Valle del Cauca, Colombia
- Suipacha, Prov. of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Santa Ana, Francisco Morazán, Honduras
- Puerto Madryn, Chubut, Argentina
- Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil
- Sangolquí, Pichincha, Ecuador
- Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego, Argentina
- Quito, Pichincha, Ecuador
- Martini, La Pampa, Argentina
- Central District, Lima, Peru
- Merida, Merida, Venezuela
- Tarija, Cercado, Bolivia
- Cochabamba, Cercado, Bolivia

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## *Chilpancingo, Mexico: City of Peace* To build a State of Peace in Guerrero State, Mexico

### CHALLENGES

In the public domain, Chilpancingo, capital of the State of Guerrero, Mexico, is perceived as one of the most violent and insecure cities at a national and international level. Not only does the City and State have one of the highest crime rate, but other issues of human rights remain systematic problems, including gender violence, discrimination due to sexual preference and ethnicity, and poverty. Yet there are now four Cities of Peace in Guerrero State and the peace leaders, led primarily by strong and courageous women, are committed to transforming their communities.



### REASON TO BE INVOLVED

Contribute to the institutional efforts of governments and integration institutions to make the capital city of Guerrero State, part of a region of peace in Mexico. The peace leaders and teams in Guerrero focus on safety, freedom, quality of life, and development.

### SOLUTIONS

Chilpancingo for peace is a pluralistic and inclusive group of young people committed to social causes that affect their capital and main municipality of Chilpancingo de los Bravo. In coordination with government ministries and institutions as well as civil associations and members of society, these leaders have carried out projects to benefit the promotion of a culture of peace, focusing mainly on the child and youth population sector. The lines of work that preside over the activities of the municipal peace committee are: human rights, gender equality and sexual diversity, discrimination, strengthening education and fostering a culture of peace through youth and citizen participation.

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Rooms that Share.**



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