Volunteer Facilitator Application

Camp Peaceworks is an exciting project of the Centre County Women's Resource Center (CCWRC) and its community partners, both volunteer and professional. It is based on a model developed and successfully implemented by Safe Berks, in Berks County, PA.

The goal of Camp Peaceworks is to encourage young people to work together within our community to foster a multicultural society based on love, caring, and justice—with the <u>ultimate</u> goal of **decreasing violence** by creating a more *inherently* peaceful society.

Currently, the Camp Peaceworks team is recruiting a diverse group of 20-30 students—who have just recently completed their 8th to 11th grade school year—to participate in a five-day summer day camp (see details below). All campers will attend "on scholarship," or free of charge. Food, snacks, and transportation, will all be provided. Additionally, we are also looking for volunteer facilitators.

Members of the <u>Volunteer Facilitation Team</u> will be responsible for setting the camp schedule and agenda, enhancing existing curriculum, and participating in program delivery during camp. They may also assist in recruiting additional team members and campers, marketing activities, and obtaining community buy-in. Attendance in a two-day training prior to the start of Camp Peaceworks is required. We also ask that members of the facilitation team attend, when possible, regular meetings related to these responsibilities.

Camp Peaceworks is based on the curriculum, "Making the Peace," by Paul Kivel and Allan Creighton, with the Oakland Men's Project. The "Making the Peace" curriculum provides the framework for understanding violence, and the roles of gender, race, class, and economic status as the issues which contribute to it. Further, the program was written to help young people break away from violence, develop positive self-esteem, and regain a sense of community.

A critical part of the project is the development of ongoing activities and initiatives within schools and faith-based institutions, and as part of community projects, that will continue the work begun at camp. Camp Peaceworks' trained staff and volunteers will follow and help nurture these projects throughout the year. This project intends to enlist young people to aid in the elimination of violence, the fostering of respect, the promotion of social justice, and ultimately **peace**, within our community. For additional information about Camp Peaceworks, please contact us by email at camp@ccwrc.org

Key Information

• Camp Dates: July 24-28, 2017 (Monday-Friday)

• Camp Hours: 9:00a-5:00p (Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri) & 9:00a-8:00p (Thurs)

• Camp Location: Seven Mountains Scout Camp

227 Sand Mountain Rd., Spring Mills, PA 16875

Pick Up/Drop Off: Hills Plaza Parking Lot (7:50am, 5:30pm)

110 Rolling Ridge Dr, State College, PA 16801

• Camp Fee: Camp Peaceworks is **FREE**! Campers attend on scholarship, at no cost.

Transportation, meals, and snacks will be provided.

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By completing this form, I am indicating that I am interested in being part of the <u>Volunteer Facilitation Team</u>. I understand that members of the Volunteer Facilitation Team are responsible for setting the camp schedule and agenda, enhancing existing curriculum, and participation in program delivery during camp. They may also assist in recruiting additional team members and campers, marketing activities, and obtaining community buyin. Attendance in a two-day training prior to the start of Camp Peaceworks is required. I understand that I will be asked to attend, when possible, regular meetings related to these responsibilities. Additionally, applicants must complete—or already have completed—all three background clearances (see pg. 4 for more information).

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YOUR SKILLS & INTERESTS

1. Please describe your interest in Camp Peaceworks. In particular, what skills, experiences,
or areas of interest do you bring to the table?
2. Please write any additional comments or questions you may have below.

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<u>Please note</u>: A criminal background check, a child abuse history clearance, an FBI background clearance (if you have not lived in PA throughout the past 10 years), and state-approved Mandated Reporter training **must** be completed and on file prior to the start of Camp Peaceworks volunteer training. CCWRC can help you complete these clearances and waive any applicable fees so that no cost is incurred to you. However, volunteer applicants unable to provide these three clearances by the training date will not be permitted to help facilitate at Camp Peaceworks.

. Have you undergone <i>Mandated Reporting</i> training since the change in Pennsylvania laws effecti January 2015?						
	□ Yes	□ No				
2. Do you have a Criminal Background Check clearance?	□ Yes	□ No				
If Yes: Is it dated August 2014 or more recent?	☐ Yes	□ No				
3. Do you have a PA Child Abuse History (ChildLine) clearance?	□ Yes	□ No				
If Yes: Is it dated August 2014 or more recent?	☐ Yes	□ No				
4. Do you have a FBI Background clearance?	□ Yes	□ No				
If Yes: Is it dated August 2014 or more recent?	□ Yes	□ No				

Once completed, please return this application to:

Centre County Women's Resource Center Attn: Camp Peaceworks 140 W. Nittany Ave. State College, PA 16801

THANK YOU!!