



North West Youth Forum For Peace and Reconciliation



Expression of Interest Form

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The North West Youth Forum for Peace and Reconciliation (NWYFFPR) was established in June 2010 to look at the issues of Racism and Sectarianism in the Derry, Omagh and Strabane Council areas. We believe that people in our towns and cities should feel that they are accepted - regardless of skin colour, ethnicity, beliefs or community background. Our thoughts can be expressed like this:

I AM

We think that it is important for people to understand their own background and culture. We need to be aware of our own "I am's"

YOU ARE

We think if people connect with each other they will have less fear of others and they will be more comfortable with difference. We need to be aware of the "I am's" of others

WE ARE

We think that if people get to know themselves and others it will bring peace

With this idea, we are seeking to develop a campaign among youth clubs and youth groups across Derry, Omagh and Strabane Council areas.

The North West Youth Forum for Peace and Reconciliation are seeking 12 youth projects to welcome another youth project from a different community into your centre. Following this you will visit their centre.

During each visit members of the NWYFFPR will help to facilitate a learning process for the young people. The NWYFFPR will use a range of activities and games to break down barriers between groups. After this workshop young people can show their visitors around their club and if possible their community. Groups who wish to participate will need to fulfil the following criteria:

- Available to host and visit a group before Easter 2013
- Complete an expression of interest form
- Willing to compose a short biography about their club and provide a few pictures for our webpage
- Contribute to our blog in the build-up to the visits
- Attend a conference before June 2013 where we can share this experience and good practice.

We welcome people from all backgrounds to complete an expression of interest form. If we receive more applications than we can provide for then we will develop selection criteria - for example having a good balance of Protestant/Catholic communities and Urban/Rural areas.

For an expression of interest form please use contact details overleaf.