

# How can you help?

## Give a Gift for Peace

You can promote peace by supporting CFP with your financial gifts. As a volunteer organization of professionals, CFP's administrative costs are low and are underwritten by the CFP board. This means that every dollar you donate goes directly to our mission of promoting and strengthening friendships between teens from divided communities and extending those friendships to their families and friends. Your tax-deductible gift of any amount will be used to foster a more peaceful world.

### Sponsorship Opportunities:

- \$25,000 sponsors a hosting region
- \$5,000 sponsors a pair of teens
- \$2,500 sponsors a teen

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DIVIDED**



## Support Our Peacebuilding Efforts

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Friendships for  
Peace** develops friendship, trust  
and respect between both sides of a conflict.

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## Cyprus Friendship Program

The Cyprus Friendship Program is a two-year peacebuilding and leadership training program for Cypriot teens. In the first year, selected teens participate in an immersive weeklong overnight camp on the island led by CFP's Greek-speaking and Turkish-speaking Cypriot Coordinators. This camp experience begins a reconciliation process that teaches high schoolers 15-17 how to reach across differences while strengthening conflict resolution skills and team building. By learning the advanced skill of understanding another perspective, teens begin their lifelong journey of coming together as friends for new understanding and healing. In the second year, teens are selected for the U.S. program consisting of home stays with American families. The curriculum includes advanced conflict resolution training, instruction in effective communication and other related skills. Opportunities for participation in community service and environmental awareness projects expose the teens to the benefits of working together to solve problems that affect both sides of a conflict. Since the program began in 2009, CFP has graduated over 1,000 teens and is responsible for thousands of friendships among the teens, their families and their friends.



Two pairs of CFP teens with Elders Jimmy Carter, Desmond Tutu, and Lahdkar Brahimi during their December 2009 visit to Cyprus to promote peace. They are featured together in the documentary ***Cyprus: Digging the Past in Search of the Future***. In the 2011 film, Tutu describes these young people:

"They have grown to accept one another in a way that seems to be an image of what in fact is possible in this country."

## Creating Friendships for Peace

is a volunteer, grassroots organization whose mission is to promote and strengthen friendships between teens from divided communities and to extend those friendships to their families and friends. The friendships are nurtured through home stays with American families. Each family hosts two teens – one from each side of a conflict. The teen pair share a bedroom and learn about each other, understanding their different perspectives and realizing that friendships can develop despite significant political and cultural differences. In a home environment, an atmosphere is created that allows for mutual respect and understanding – a key ingredient for peace.

CFP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit based in the United States. Our volunteers were active in Northern Ireland from 1987 until 2007, hosting 2,000 teens. We have been active in Cyprus since 2009 and Israel/Palestine since 2018. By bringing teens together from all the conflict areas in which CFP is active, we provide opportunities for dialogue and learning from each other.

CFP's goal .....  
to build friendships,  
mutual respect  
and understanding to promote peace

- Teenagers age 15-17 are paired, one from each side of a conflict
- The teens form friendships, meeting each others' families and friends, and developing broader perspectives on the conflicts faced by their homelands. Their cross partition friendships usually extend to their families and friends.
- The teens develop peacebuilding and leadership skills to use now and throughout their lives.



## Middle East Friendship Program

In our newly launched Middle East Program, CFP works alongside In-Country Coordinators and with Hebrew-speaking and Arabic-speaking teens to provide selected teens with workshops in a U.S. summer program with American host families. We facilitate conflict resolution, promote leadership skills with teens from all sides of the conflict and offer opportunities to understand their relevance and future role in peacebuilding, addressing tensions between the young and the old, power, and resources. CFP's homestay experience offers the teens valuable time in a secure and impartial environment to have honest dialogue with one another and their Cypriot counterparts and develop long-lasting understanding and friendships.



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