

TOMORROW'S PEACEBUILDERS: APPLICATION FORM

Before completing the application form, please first read the Terms and Conditions and guidance notes. The guidance notes will help you determine if you are eligible to apply and also assist you with including the right information.

Once you have completed your application, please email to: awards@peacedirect.org

Before submitting your application, please check your eligibility (see guidelines). Please also check that you have obeyed the word limits for each answer. Longer answers will not be considered.

Your organisation

Please supply the name and a short description of your organisation (maximum length: 20 words). Note that your name and description will be publically listed on our website on a map displaying the entries. If you would rather not be included on this map, please tell us when you submit your entry.

Name	Casa do Bom Menino Piracicaba
Description (maximum 20 words)	The entity supports children and youth who are under social and economical vulnerability. It is a shelter or foster house.

Organisation information

Please provide contact details for your organisation.

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Area of operation

Please state the geographical area (country, region) where your organisation operates. (1 – 2 sentences sufficient)

Piracicaba City/São Paulo State, Brazil

Organisation profile:

Please offer a short description of your organisation, including when you were founded, what your mission is, and what your main themes or areas of work are (please include all work of the organisation, including in areas other than peacebuilding). Focus on the achievements of your organisation that are most significant, and explain why they are important. (Maximum 400 words)

The “Casa do Bom Menino Piracicaba” was founded in 27/11/1962 and supports babies, children and youth aged between 0 and 18 years old who are under social and economical vulnerability. It is a foster house/shelter that supports people who had their rights infringed.

It receives children and youth that are away of their family because of personal or judicial reasons such as domestic violence, drug’s using and non-acceptance of the individual.

The actual system in the big cities in Brazil has a political-economical method in favor of a minority (the rich and millionaire people). As a consequence, social inequality is clear.

The children and youth’s family, most of times, do not have access to social basic rights which was set in the Brazilian Federal Constitution of 1988 as work, health, sanitation, education and house for the citizens.

Therefore, the entity provides to them a place to sleep, hygiene, clothes, food, education through projects etc.

Your peacebuilding work:

Please describe the peacebuilding work of your organisation. Please include:

- (i) What conflicts you seek to address in your work.
- (ii) What peacebuilding projects or activities have you undertaken? Is peacebuilding the main activity of your organisation? How large is the community of people affected by your peacebuilding work?
- (iii) What impact or successes have you had in your peacebuilding work?

(Maximum 500 words)

We work for family approaching, education to the community/world system, professional and emotional improvement, stigma empowerment, capacity building and peace building.

A large number of peace building project have being undertaken. Although we work up to overcome different kind of conflicts, without peace building work, the other aspects will be very difficult overcome. Therefore, it is possible and reasonable to mention that peace building work is the main activity or target in our organization.

Piracicaba city has around 297.767 inhabitants. The entity affects significantly the “Nova America” suburbe and other areas. The children and youth can walk around the city. However, they need to ask for permission and let the educators get to know where they go.

During the peace building work we had a lot of positive impacts such as approach to their family, part-time job, professional skill building.

We, as educators, also learn with them. Their life story and experience, behaviour and interaction with us teach us a lot. It is a exchange of views, perspectives, emotions and human behaviour.

Categories

Prizes will be decided in different categories. You can apply in 1 or 2 different categories. Please select which categories best apply to your work. Tick the box or underline the 1 or 2 categories you would like to be considered for. Please note you must select at least 1 category. If your work does not fit under any category, you will not be eligible.

☐ **Women-led peacebuilding:** *To be eligible in this category your work must be led by women.*

☒ **Environmental peacebuilding:** *To be eligible in this category your work should either address conflicts directly related to shared resources, land, or other environmental issues, or integrate such issues into your peacebuilding activities (for example, a project that uses access to water as a basis for promoting wider co-operation between communities).*

☐ **Inter-religious peacebuilding:** *To be eligible in this category your work should promote peace, co-operation, and understanding between people or communities of different faiths or denominations.*

Please add a short explanation as to why you have selected these **one or two categories** and why your work fits best here. (*Maximum 200 words*)

The project “Planting and Learning” from the entity aims to provide education through pedagogical playful activities and through the idea to build up a food garden and a pleasant atmosphere for all member of the shelter. It raises environmental awareness in children and youth through hands-on experiences in the field.

The concept of urban agriculture was established in the project. The goal is to instigate the environmental importance and the possibility to have a food garden or sustainable food production in the houses back yard.

Furthermore, it can be an own source of money whether the products of the food garden are sold and an organic and healthy food be produced. Developing a food garden has a less negative

impact on the environment in comparison to the traditional way of food production, which has several chemical fertilizers.

Activities and interventions about diverse concepts and practices are part of the project, including essential topics, such as energy, food security, water availability and water saving. Some of the developed activities include reducing, reusing and recycling of “waste”.

The project is within one of the organization goals, an educational atmosphere that can promote social, group and individual development among the children and youth.

The United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) published a report about the project and its idea. Follow bellow:

<http://www.unep.org/stories/InternationalYouthDay/Hands-on-environmental-education-vulnerable-youth.asp>

A story of success

Peace Direct values the importance of stories that describe how your work is having an impact on people in your communities. Please tell us a story of success from your peacebuilding work. (*Maximum 600 words*)

Some people of the local community get involved through volunteering activities and with donation.

The local community got very surprised with the interaction of children and youth from the foster house “Casa do Bom Menino Piracicaba”. There was a day in which the children and youth walked around the local community offering lettuce and other vegetables (own production) among the neighborhood.

That was a very important moment because it demystifies the view that children and youth from the foster house are not polite or even dangerous and bad. The idea is to keep running the project with more success among the local community changing people’s life and providing a perspective of life, knowledge and inspiration.

The entity has organized some events in order to approach family to the children and youth. It was possible, in some moments, to realize and feel a peaceful atmosphere in these opportunities. During this year, we could see families that tried to overcome their challenges and so tried to approach to their children, to offer care and protection.

Therefore, the peace building is a crucial element in our job and mission.

The community was used to see the foster house/shelter as a place to avoid. Nowadays, the community members, sometimes, join the activities of the food garden and even the events. The prejudice towards the children and adolescents from the “Casa do Bom Menino” has decreased significantly.

Your peacebuilding plans

The Tomorrow's Peacebuilders awards provides \$10,000 of funding to the winners. Please outline how this funding would assist you over the next year. This can mean an expansion of your current work, or for a new project, or for the core costs of the organisation. Whatever the funds would be used for, the most important thing is to show why the funding would make a difference, and what it could achieve.

Please explain here how you would use the \$10,000 of funding to develop your peacebuilding work. (Before completing this section, we recommend you read the guidance notes, in particular the selection criteria.) *(Maximum 400 words)*

The "Casa do Bom Menino" is a philanthropic entity that depends on donations such as food, clothes, toys, hygiene materials etc. The social projects are supported by FUMDECA (Funding Resource for Children and Adolescent). Citizens and other entities can also forward the products/public taxes fee to the "Casa do Bom Menino".

The area of the entity consists of 1100 m2. Before the implementation and start of the project idea, the area was used to deposit construction residues such as bricks and iron structure. The area was not used for any educational propose.

The "Casa do Bom Menino" has done a partnership with a landscape office. The idea is to insert the sustainable food production system (food garden) in pleasant atmosphere.

However, the "Casa do Bom Menino" do have enough fund to develop the landscape project in the sustainable food production project. It is necessary to purchase several materials, structures and items in order to set it up.

It is aimed to transform the area into a place for better educational atmosphere as well as a place for the relatives try to approach to the children and youth through plantations, and fruit and vegetables harvesting, for instance. Therefore, a landscape project would be significant to achieve that and build up a family approaching and so to develop peace building as well.

The space redesign will be fundamental for the purpose of re-signification or a new concept of the foster house/shelter as healthy place full of nature and peace, in which the children and youth will be able to dedicate to the food garden activities for the environmental education and a healthy food (organic).

The landscape project is planed since the last year but we did not find sponsorship or funding resource for its implementation. We believe that with a more pleasant atmosphere and more beautiful place the caring towards the area will be much more effective. In light of this, the foster house/shelter will be a better place for peace building among children and youth who are socially and economically vulnerable.

Budget

Indicative budget: Please provide an approximate budget of what this funding could be used for. The total budget here should not exceed the \$10,000 prize, nor cover costs lasting more than 12 months.

Materials: \$3.000,00

1. Fence
2. Steel cable
3. Retaining brackets
4. Grid

Wood Structure: \$1.500,00

1. Backbone
2. Beams
3. Slat

Plants, trees and flowers: \$1.500,00

Fountain with aquatic plants: \$1.500,00

Tools Cabinet: \$1.500,00

Your long term plans

Please outline what your organisation hopes to achieve for peacebuilding in the longer term. Where do you hope or expect to be in 5 years? 10 years? (*Maximum 300 words*)

The future plan is to extent the project acquaintance to the local and regional community. In addition, to purchase further tools and materials to improve the activities are expected. It is always a target to improve the environmental awareness among children and youth.

Innovation: It is the first time there is an environmental project in the entity. Before, the area where we are developing the market garden was a sort of waste deposit. There was a lot of weed, bricks, plastic bags and garbage.

Now, the place is getting much more beautiful and pleasant in a way that environmental education can be approached and developed. Nevertheless, we are trying to find a sponsorship for a landscape project which is fundamental for the whole context of environmental and social education.

Leadership:

Please give a short profile of the founders / leadership of your organisation. What has led them to undertake peacebuilding work? (*Maximum 300 words*)

The entity has directors, coordinators, technicians and social educators. Nevertheless, we consider everyone as educators because the education process surrounds all areas like the refectory, their sleep house, the administration section etc.

The educators have a strong leadership skill. It is necessary due to the fact we work for the guarantee of rights, in other words, for the full protection of the children or adolescent through public policy and politics.

Supporting information

References

Please provide the names and contact details (including email addresses) of at least two referees. The referees should be familiar with your organisation's work. Please specify the referee's relationship with you or your organisation. The referees should not be employees or trustees of your organisation, nor should they be relatives of your employees/trustees.

As part of the selection process, we will contact the referees of applicants we are considering for shortlisting. They will need to be available to respond to us during September - October.

Referee 1

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Relationship with your organisation	Project Adviser

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Relationship with your organisation	Partner

Governance information

Please provide details of your registration status in your country. Please include the registration number, date of registration and what category you are registered under. If your organisation is not registered, please explain why.

Registration Numbers:

Public Utility: 463/63

Health Surveillance: 687/2003

License Permit: 103/2009

CMAS: 10

CMDCA: 82/2015

CEBAS: 47649

CNAS: 267320/68-30

Category: Non-Government Organization. Philanthropic Organization

Please provide the following information:

The year your organisation was founded:	27/11/1962
The number of staff in your organisation:	110
Full-time staff:	90
Part-time staff:	20
Volunteers who work regularly for your organisation:	15
Do you have audited annual accounts?	Yes
Do you have a board of trustees?	Yes
Mission statement (if available)	Shelter and support children and youth who had their rights infringed offering care regarding family reintegration and/or towards the community.

Photos / videos

Please attach separately any photos of your peacebuilding work. Ideally these would be photos of the project participants (the people who benefit from your work or who you work with), or an image of the work you are hoping to carry out. Other acceptable images are photos of yourself or of your community. Please include here any links to online videos of your work, if available.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1QUPdFNAOuI>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8WoruuRT-M>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RVvNR4sQPho>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kmQobGLGJYw>

Publicizing this information

If you are shortlisted for these awards, a profile of your work will be featured on our website (see Guidance notes). Please indicate if there is any part of the above information that is confidential and cannot be published publicly.

Due to the fact that the children and youth who live in the foster house are under government protection, it is not allowed to show up their faces to the public. Therefore, we kindly ask to do not show up their faces in any report, article, media sources etc.

Insight on Conflict

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Insight on Conflict publishes a monthly newsletter featuring funding opportunities and the latest research in peacebuilding. If you would like receive the newsletter, please enter your email address here: luizfbispo03@gmail.com

Signature

Please read the following Terms and Conditions of the Tomorrow's Peacebuilders Awards ("Terms"). Please type your full name in the signature line below. This will be treated as your acknowledgement that you have read and accept the Award Terms. Without this signature, we cannot process your application.

Full Name of Applicant/Member: Luiz Fernando Pereira Bispo

Date: 07/10/2016

Organisation name: Casa do Bom Menino Piracicaba

Job title: Educator