



## Mayors for Peace

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### Secretariat

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The Honorable Mayor  
Mayors for Peace Member City

Invitation for applicants to the 2018 Mayors for Peace  
Youth Exchange for Peace:  
Support Program for “HIROSHIMA and PEACE”

Dear Mayor,

I trust this message finds you in the best of health and spirits.

Mayors for Peace has decided to provide opportunities to share the memories of the atomic bombings and the messages of A-bomb survivors with youth and future leaders from Mayors for Peace member cities around the world; to enhance the training of personnel to assist in the abolition of nuclear weapons and the creation of lasting world peace; and to strengthen our member city network through promoting exchanges.

As part of its efforts, Mayors for Peace has started a program to provide financial and other support to selected youth from member cities who would like to participate in the course, “HIROSHIMA and PEACE”, at Hiroshima City University. This is an intensive summer course in which students from around the world study and discuss Hiroshima and peace in English.

Moreover, the Mayors for Peace Secretariat asks that successful applicants from member cities submit a report after the conclusion of this support program, in which they will write about what they learned through this program, their own plans for peace activities, and concrete proposals for Mayors for Peace activities for nuclear weapons abolition. We also ask member cities that recommended participants to consider implementing projects based on their youth participant’s ideas in order to facilitate the nuclear weapons abolition goal of Mayors for Peace.

We hope this program will help convey the realities of the A-bombings to future generations and strengthen the network among member cities through youth exchange.

In this regard, Mayors for Peace is now accepting applications for participation in this program from member cities. If interested, please refer to the attached Application Guidelines and submit required documents by email by **Friday, April 13, 2018 at 3pm in Japan Standard Time (UTC +9)**.

Hiroshima City University and the Mayors for Peace Secretariat will select the participants and notify applicants’ cities of the results in the middle of May 2018.

We close with best wishes for the further prosperity of your city as well as for your continued good health and every success in your activities.

Sincerely,

MATSUI Kazumi  
President of Mayors for Peace  
Mayor of Hiroshima