Mayors for Peace



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The Honorable Mayor Mayors for Peace Member City

> Invitation for applicants to the Mayors for Peace Youth Exchange for Peace: Support Program for the "International Youth Conference for Peace in the Future, 2019 Hiroshima"

Dear Fellow Mayor:

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

Mayors for Peace has decided to offer to youth and future leaders from its member cities around the world opportunities to experience a stay in the A-bombed city of Hiroshima and interact with one another; enhance the training of personnel to assist in the abolition of nuclear weapons and the creation of lasting world peace; and strengthen our member city network through promoting exchange.

As part of this initiative, we will conduct a program to provide financial and other support to selected youth from member cities who would like to participate in the "International Youth Conference for Peace in the Future, 2019 Hiroshima." This is a conference hosted by the Hiroshima Municipal Board of Education with an aim of inviting young participants from various cities in the world to deepen mutual understanding through staying together and to exchange views on how to contribute to the establishment of everlasting world peace.

After the conference has concluded, the Mayors for Peace Secretariat asks that young representatives from member cities submit a report which must include information about their experiences in Hiroshima and what they have learned through this program. They are also expected to proactively engage in outreach activities for their school and community, such as a meeting to share their experiences and to have discussions with an audience. We also ask member cities that recommended participants to offer necessary support including securing a venue for the meeting and implementing follow-up activities.

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 Thursday, April 25th, 2019 at 3pm in Japan Standard Time (UTC +9).

The Executive Committee of the Conference and the Mayors for Peace Secretariat will select the participants and notify their member cities of the results at the end of May 2019.

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

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