



Mayors for Peace

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The Honorable Mayor
Mayors for Peace Member City

Invitation for applicants to the 2020 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 provides opportunities to share the memories of the atomic bombings and the messages of their survivors with young future leaders from Mayors for Peace member cities around the world; to foster talent that will assist in the abolition of nuclear weapons and the creation of lasting world peace; and to strengthen our member city network through the promotion of exchange.

As part of this, Mayors for Peace has 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, writing 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. Based on these proposals, we also ask member cities that recommended participants to consider implementing projects to facilitate Mayors for Peace’s goal of nuclear weapons.

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 **3pm on Thursday, March 12, 2020 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 April 2020.

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