

## Call for Input: Examples of initiatives to foster peace-seeking spirit

### Report Form

Date of report : November 27, 2019 \_\_\_\_\_

Name of municipality: Santos \_\_\_\_\_

Name of country: Brazil \_\_\_\_\_

Title of peace education initiative	Peace Run
The initiative was implemented by (Choose one ✓)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> School <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipality <input type="checkbox"/> NGO <input type="checkbox"/> Joint initiative by:
Theme/Aim	Violence and Peace
Participants (age, school grade, number, etc.)	800 children and adolescents aged between 8 and 15 years. 3 schools involved. 30 teachers and 20 employees of the city of Santos.
Location	Sports Complex “Rebouças” – Santos/SP/ Brazil
Date(s) of initiative	06/19/2019
Please answer the questions below clearly and concisely.	
<p>1. Please describe the initiative.</p> <p><i>Held 30 years ago in several countries in the world, and conceived by Indian philosopher and spiritual teacher Sri Chinmoy, the action aims to promote peace through sports practice. A group of volunteer athletes, made up of foreigners and Brazilians, follow the streets of the city carrying a torch that symbolizes humanity's search for peace.</i></p> <p><i>The athletes visited 3 schools in the city, including one public school. At school, athletes informed students about the importance of world peace. They carried a torch that represented peace. Also, they performed typical dances from their countries, that represented the difference of cultural aspects of the countries.</i></p> <p><i>The students received the athletes with a beautiful choir, singing a famous Brazilian song about peace (“A Paz”, by Gilberto Gil and João Donato) and went towards the sports complex “Rebouças” to open the commemorative plaque that the city received.</i></p>	
<p>2. Please tell us about the response from participants.</p> <p><i>Children were happy to interact with athletes. Some teachers asked about other events regarding the peace program. In addition, they asked the Mayor to repeat Peace Run in 2020.</i></p>	
<p>3. Please tell us about positive outcomes that resulted from the initiative.</p> <p><i>The audience became interested about this topic regarding the peace program. Also, many teachers and students decided to attend other events, such as the nuclear disarmament event that took place in August.</i></p>	
<p>4. Please tell us about the challenges encountered in the initiative if any.</p> <p><i>The main challenge was to organize the city logistics because the event was held on a business day. For this reason, the traffic in the city had to change during the event.</i></p>	
<p>5. Please identify any materials used in the initiative</p> <p><a href="https://www.turismosantos.com.br/?q=es/node/13020">https://www.turismosantos.com.br/?q=es/node/13020</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.peacerun.org/br/news/2019/0619/3534/gallery/#1">https://www.peacerun.org/br/news/2019/0619/3534/gallery/#1</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.tribuna.com.br/esportes/esporte-regional/baixada-santista-recebe-peace-run-a-corrida-da-paz-nesta-quarta-1.56194">https://www.tribuna.com.br/esportes/esporte-regional/baixada-santista-recebe-peace-run-a-corrida-da-paz-nesta-quarta-1.56194</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.juicysantos.com.br/diversao/agenda-de-santos-e-regiao/tocha-da-paz-para-santos/">https://www.juicysantos.com.br/diversao/agenda-de-santos-e-regiao/tocha-da-paz-para-santos/</a></p>	



*Athletes in a private school in Santos.*



*Paula Quagliato, coordinator of international affairs with the torch.*





*Athletes arrive at a public school in Santos.*



*Lecture about world peace with students.*





*Lecture about world peace with students.*



*Lecture about world peace with students.*





*Citizens attending the inauguration of the commemorative plaque.*



*Mayor Paulo Alexandre Barbosa and Authorities attending the inauguration of the commemorative plaque.*

5. May the Mayors for Peace Secretariat post the material mentioned in Question 5 on its website?  
 Yes \*Please attach the material(s).       No       Don't know.