



The United States Institute of Peace Public Education for Peacebuilding Support (PEPS)

Public Education for Peacebuilding Support is a new initiative of the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) and administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE). The initiative seeks to support American colleges, universities and public libraries interested in holding events addressing international peace and conflict resolution.

About the United States Institute of Peace

USIP is the independent, nonpartisan conflict management center created by Congress to prevent and mitigate international conflict without resorting to violence. USIP works to save lives, increase the government's ability to deal with conflicts before they escalate, reduce government costs, and enhance national security.

USIP Support Details:

- **Application Deadline:** The deadline is May 3, 2013 for events to take place between August and December 2013.
- **Key Goal:** USIP Public Education for Peacebuilding Support seeks to assist institutions of higher education, university groups, and public libraries that are advancing the understanding and promotion of peacebuilding and conflict resolution. By providing small support funding, this initiative will support activities that promote awareness and engage communities in a discussion of issues critical to the global community's security and peacebuilding efforts.
- **Funding:** Up to 250 institutions will receive up to \$2,000 in matching support for their public education activities through two cycles over the period of November 2012 – December 2013. Cost-sharing is required on the part of the support recipient.
- **Eligibility:**
 - **Organizing Institution:** USIP Public Education for Peacebuilding Support is open to all accredited colleges and universities, as well as public libraries, in the U.S. and its territorial possessions. Groups or organizations, such as academic departments, academic clubs and consortia within either entity are eligible. University student-led groups may apply with the endorsement of a faculty member or administrator. Multiple organizations from the same entity are eligible to receive support. Non-U.S. higher education institutions or public libraries are not eligible to apply. Individuals may not apply for PEPS if they have previously received support and have not met all final reporting requirements.
 - **Activity Type:** The support may be used for a variety of activities, including, but not limited to educational or training workshops, lectures, speaker programs, library forums or web-based forums. USIP cannot fund advocacy activities or programs of a partisan nature. USIP funds cannot be used to cover the purchase of equipment, food, beverages, or entertainment.
 - **Activity Theme:** The activity must address issues of international conflict and its resolution. Within this framework, the following are a list of themes especially of interest to USIP: gender, science and technology, sustainable economics, nonviolent conflict resolution, international and regional organizations, post-conflict transitions, negotiation and mediation, and media and peacebuilding. Country and region specific topics are also encouraged. Events addressing domestic conflict issues in the U.S. are not eligible.
- **Selection Criteria:** The selection of USIP support recipients is a competitive process. While not exclusive, the following criteria will guide the selection:
 - **Eligibility:** The application meets the basic eligibility requirements.
 - **Relevance:** The event supports international peacebuilding and conflict resolution.
 - **Impact:** The event raises community awareness of international peace and conflict resolution issues.
 - **Need:** The activity does not duplicate existing initiatives and addresses an important need in the context of international peace and conflict resolution.
 - **Institutional Support:** The implementing organization/institution must provide matching support.

Please submit the completed application by email to usipsupport@iie.org by May 3, 2013. Final decisions will be made by USIP and recipients will be notified in early July.



This program is administered by the Institute of International Education.