

PEACE IV E-Newsletter August 2017

Get involved! PEACE IV Projects Up and Running!

Since our formal launch in June and Letter of Offer for £6.2 million from our funder, the Special European Programmes Body we've been working hard to get council led and tendered (community led) programmes up and running.

This month's e-newsletter features three of our community led projects under the theme of 'Building Positive Relations,' giving you contact details for how to get further information or to get involved.

We're also listing the details of initial community information sessions on our small grants process which will open for Expressions of Interest on 11th September at 10.00am. Read on for details...



Building Positive Relations: Patriarchy; Decades of Commemoration; and 'JustUs.'

Interactive History.

So 2016 was a 'big' year for the 1916 centenaries of the Somme and the Easter Rising, but have you thought about what's next? 2018-2020 marks hundredth anniversaries connected to the First World War, the last 'island-wide' general election in Ireland, Partition of Ireland, formation of Northern Ireland and major movements around Trades Unionism and gender equality such as the Suffragettes.

In our PEACE IV local programme we're delighted that the Nerve Centre have recently won the £250,000 tendered programme to work with our Heritage and Museums Service to deliver exhibitions, education programmes, talks, tours, conferences and creative approaches to ethically interacting with the Decade of Centenaries.

Niall Kerr from the Nerve Centre said: "We're excited to be working with the Tower Museum on an ambitious programme to open up discussion, dialogue and interaction around

important periods of our shared history. The programme aims to bring together people from all communities to explore our past through exhibitions, events and creative led projects. The use of innovative creative and digital approaches is a proven way of engaging audiences around important historical events.”

Margaret Edwards, Museums and Visitor Services manager in council said “We are looking forward to working with the Nerve Centre in a programme that will bring our museum collections to life. Through community led exhibitions, events and learning resources we will look back at the past so we can have a better understanding of how it has shaped our present and can influence our future.”

Want to get involved in this project? Contact: Niall Kerr n.kerr@nervecentre.org



Women and Peace.

Congratulations to ‘The Junction’ who in July won the £130,000 contract for our main gender based programme: ‘Liberation from Patriarchy for Gender Justice.’ This cutting edge programme around gender based violence, peace building and empowerment will soon call for applications to it’s steering group. The pioneering community education programme will develop training and educational materials and offer opportunities for participants to develop conflict resolution skills to address intra and inter-community violence, paramilitarism, sectarianism and racism. It looks at politics, religion, patriarchy and gender based violence as inhibitors to peace and peace building in the Northern Ireland and border context.

Maureen Hetherington from the Junction said ‘One of the oldest and most prevalent inequalities that still exists today is patriarchy and there can be no true peace unless we challenge this systemic form of injustice and violence. We’re delighted this PEACE IV funded project will allow local people and communities to explore the issue together.’

Interested in getting involved in this project? Contact: Maureen Hetherington
mhetherington@thejunction-ni.org



'JustUs' - Calling Teachers, youth workers and community facilitators!



There's an opportunity right now for trained facilitators/educators of the 11-24 age group locally to sign up for an innovative multimedia based training programme. Gaslight Media Trust have won the £25,000 contract to train and support 32 teachers/youth workers in delivering highly focused citizenship lessons/workshops on racism, sectarianism, homophobia, legacy and contentious issues specific to the Northern Ireland political, religious and community context. If you want to be equipped to challenge attitudes and promote diversity and human rights with teenagers and young adults you routinely work with then sign up for the course now!

Stephen Gargan from Gaslight Media Trust said "As an innovative educational tool purposely designed for young people living here JustUs provides youth workers and teachers with the means to foster critical and to explore and challenge attitudes on contested issues that can give rise to conflict and violence."

To apply for a place on the course contact: Stephen Gargan, Gaslight Media Trust,

Tel: 028 71 308980 - Email: sgargan@gaslightproductions.net - Web: www.justusproject.net



PEACE IV Grants

Our small grants will go live on Monday 11th September 2017 at 10.00am on www.dcsdgrantaid.com With £500,000 to give out in grants, competition may be high. See our July e-newsletter on our website for details of what you can be doing in August to prepare for when the grants open in September or check out our draft guidance notes on:

<http://www.derrystرابane.com/Subsites/Peace-IV/Formal-Launch-Documents-June-2017>

Initial Community Information Workshops



Initial 90 minute Community Information session will provide an overview of the PEACE IV small grants programme, outline the Expression of Interest process and provide groups with an opportunity to gain further advice on specific applications, ideas and queries.

Please register attendance for initial information session with

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DEA area	Day/Date	Time	Venue
Ballyarnett	Wednesday 20 th Sept 2017	10.30am	Shantallow Community Centre
Derg	Tuesday 19 th Sept 2017	7.00pm	Derg Valley Leisure Centre, Castledearg
Faughan	Wednesday 20 th Sept 2017	7.00pm	RAPID Offices, Killaloo
Foyleside	Monday 18 th Sept 2017	10.30am	Outerwest Cultural Hub, Rosemount
Moor	Wednesday 20 th Sept 2017	2.00pm	Holywell Building, Bishop St.
Sperrin	Monday 18 th Sept 2017	7.00pm	Dennett Interchange, Donemana
Strabane Town	Monday 18 th Sept 2017	2.30pm	Council Offices, Strabane
Waterside	Tuesday 19 th Sept 2017	2.30pm	St.Columb's Park House, Limavady Rd.

Tenders

We have no tenders currently live but we anticipate that in September there may be a retender of elements of our PEACE IV 'Cohesive Neighbourhoods Minority Inclusion' tender which has a focus on Black and Minority Ethnic Work, and inclusion, capacity and sustainability of other minority groups such as disability groups, LGBT groups, victims/survivors, political ex-prisoners; and work around an anti-hate campaign.

Please spread the word of these opportunities to any relevant organisations / individuals who may be interested.

Thanks!

Please continue to encourage other organisations and individuals to sign up for PEACE IV e-bulletins by going onto the web page www.derrystrabane.com/Peace-IV where there is also more detailed information on the programmes.

The PEACE IV Team can be contacted on peace@derrystrabane.com tel: 02871253253

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