Meet and work with people from different religions and cultures to educate our kids and help Eliminate Discrimination

A new generation will arise that appreciates all people for who they really are and that is aware of their ability to make a difference through action together based on shared values.

You are invited to participate in a most rewarding experience. As part of a diverse team of people, you can help in pioneering changes to the way people relate to religious diversity. You will gain a deeper understanding of yourself and others and develop friendships with fascinating, genuine people you might otherwise never meet.









#### Who? The Organisation, presenters and target audience

- The Together for Humanity Foundation is a genuine interfaith Organisation and enjoys the support of religious communities, government and educators.
- Teams of Christian, Islamic, Jewish and Indigenous role models present the programs together.
- Primary and High School students, aged 8-17 in Brisbane and other QLD locations, some of whom have limited positive experience of religious diversity.

# What does it involve?

- In teams of at least three, facilitators from diverse backgrounds conduct one hour workshops and presentations. The sessions, for large or small groups of students, have an element of fun and a serious, substantial message.
- Students are encouraged to question assumptions and to take action as part of a diverse team of 50,000 people with an aim to accomplish 1,000,000 positive actions.
- Presenters follow a program outline with a clear focus. Within that structure presenters bring their own ideas and respond to children's input.
- We also conduct interschool programs for two schools that have students from different backgrounds. Students discuss common values, learn about each other and plan or do community service projects together.
- Schools are visited twice by presenters. The first visit usually involves working with two groups for an hour each. A second visit usually involves spending a larger block of time with students, eg approximately 9 am to 1:00 pm, or till 3:00 pm. An inter-school visit would typically run from 10 am-2 pm.

# Commitment sought – volunteer and paid positions

Facilitators are welcome to observe or try one session. Generally we are seeking to fill volunteer and a limited number of paid positions, with commitments of at least two half days per month, from March - December 2008. Commitments of weekly or fortnightly full days also needed.

## Criteria for presenters and Training

A. A personal commitment to appreciation and cooperation between people of different beliefs/cultures and eager to see greater commitment to action on core values.

B. Being an engaged member of one the faith communities or are of Indigenous heritage with a level of knowledge/participation that is acceptable to the representatives of that community.

C. Being respectful of others opinions/beliefs and a willingness not to advocate for or persuade others of the merits of ones own beliefs or opinions. (We explain our own perspective without seeking to convince others).

D. Being the kind of person young people can relate to. Facilitators would have an engaging personality with a sense of fun element and a relaxed, sincere but not an earnest manner.

Experience in youth work or teaching is an advantage, but not a requirement.

Training and guidance as needed will be provided.

### Next Step

Please take some time to consider participating in this very exciting program. To join or to find out more please contact Kathleen 0419-737 694 <a href="mailto:admin@togetherforhumanity.org.au">admin@togetherforhumanity.org.au</a> or visit <a href="mailto:www.togetherforhumanity.org.au">www.togetherforhumanity.org.au</a>



Australian Government

Department of Immigration and Citizenship The Together for Humanity Project is funded by the Australian Government's Department of Immigration and Citizenship's Living in Harmony programme and the Queensland Government- Multicultural Affairs QLD. Since 2002, this activity has reached almost 50,000 students and has been acclaimed by the ABC's TV Compass program, educators and community leaders. It started as with interfaith conversation initiated by one man, a realisation of our shared ideals and a dream to hang a banner of children's harmony messages on the Sydney Harbour Bridge or the Parliament House. In 2004 1300 children and teachers from public and religious schools witnessed these messages by 5000 children being displayed on the NSW parliament House (photo on previous page) a symbol of what we can achieve together

