



Strides for Peace

Participation Opportunities and Criteria

Community Partners

General Eligibility

Non-profit organizations are eligible to become Strides for Peace Community Partners if they meet the following criteria:

- Have 501c(3) status
- Are based in Chicago and in good standing
- Have a mission that is directly or indirectly involved in reducing gun-violence including mentoring, sports and recreation, arts, education, job and career preparation, cognitive-behavioral therapy and community development
- Offer non-political/advocacy/lobbying programs
- Come recommended by a board member, Civic Partner or Community Partner
- Articulate a need for funding for a new, pilot or signature program
- Express an interest and willingness to work collaboratively and explore partnering with other like-minded organizations.

Application Process to Become a Community Partner

To be considered, please send a brief introductory email to info@stridesforpeace.org stating why your organization would like to become a Community Partner and how you believe your organization's mission will be advanced by being part of Strides for Peace.

PLEASE NOTE: Currently no Community Partner slots are available.

(Continued from “Application Process to Become a Community Partner”)

After your initial request is reviewed, you will be asked to provide the following documentation:

- proof of 501c(3) status
- your organization’s mission statement
- a brief overview of your organization’s core programs as well as the specific program for which you seek Strides for Peace’s support.

If you are accepted as a Community Partner, you will be asked to:

- Sign a memorandum of understanding regarding the use of funds, logo, and images as well as a general commitment to collaborate with and be part of the Strides for Peace community
- Provide camera-ready logo and 5 photographs to be used on Race related materials, promotions and website.
- “Like” and follow Strides for Peace on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter
- Submit blog posts and event notifications about your

Benefits of Being a Community Partner

- All the benefits described in the Race Against Gun Violence Overview
- Annual financial support
- Year-round exposure on Strides for Peace’s website, social media, publicity, and events marketing including but not limited to:
 - Link to donate on website
 - Peace Mobile: logo and events
 - Events listing and promotion
 - Invitations to special events
 - Other
- Introductions to individuals interested in supporting organizations who are working to stop gun violence
- Referral/Invitation to value-added opportunities and events
- Informal network of not-for-profits interested in helping to advance each other’s missions