

A group of approximately 15 young people are captured in a moment of pure joy, jumping and cheering in a sunlit park. They are dressed in casual summer attire, including t-shirts, tank tops, and shorts. Several individuals are wearing grey tank tops with a circular logo that reads "LUTA PELA PAZ". The background is filled with lush green trees and a clear sky, with rolling hills visible in the distance. The overall atmosphere is one of positivity and community.

FIGHT FOR PEACE ALLIANCE

**A GUIDE FOR
MEMBER ORGANISATIONS**

MAXIMISING IMPACT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

As a Fight for Peace Alliance member organisation, you are part of a global network of over 120 organisations, working across 18 countries worldwide.

Focusing on communities affected by inequality and violence, where we believe our work is most needed, the Fight for Peace Alliance is all about delivering the biggest possible impact for our young people and communities.

As a global community of organisations working towards a common goal, we believe that the best way to achieve this impact is by providing support to each other, by pooling our collective knowledge and expertise, and by working in partnership.

This way we all grow, learn and develop as organisations, and are best able to meet our young people's needs.

Over
120

organisations
working together in
the Fight for Peace
Alliance

76

exchanges
between
organisations
in 2019

Reaching young
people in

18 COUNTRIES

across

5 CONTINENTS

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organisations
sharing
knowledge
in 2019

HOW THE FIGHT FOR PEACE ALLIANCE WORKS

Within the aim of supporting member organisations to maximise impact on the young people and communities we all serve, the Fight for Peace Alliance works via five elements:



TRAINING

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When joining the Fight for Peace Alliance, all member organisations undertake intensive training in the Fight for Peace methodology. This draws on 20 years of Fight for Peace's experience in delivering support to young people in communities in Brazil, the UK, Jamaica and around the world. Training forms a basis for you, as an Alliance member organisation, to adapt the Fight for Peace approach to working with young people in your communities.

Ongoing training delivered by Fight for Peace, fellow Alliance member organisations, and external bodies and professionals is available to you upon joining the Alliance. This training aims to support our continued learning and development as organisations, and improve our services for young people.

Bespoke training packages are also offered to Alliance member organisations across specific thematic areas. The Life Champions training programme, for example, supports sports coaches to develop their skills as mentors to support young people's growth as people as well as athletes.

ON DEMAND SUPPORT

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As an Alliance member organisation, you have access to on demand support from Fight for Peace and over 120 fellow Alliance organisations on an ongoing basis. This allows you to take advantage of the vast knowledge and expertise contained within the Alliance to develop areas of your organisation and service delivery.

You can find out which organisations belong to the Fight for Peace Alliance, their areas of expertise and their contact details on the Fight for Peace website [here](#).

In addition, you also have exclusive access to our Toolkit of resources, which is described in more detail below.

COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

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Membership of the Alliance allows you to collaborate with fellow member organisations, and with Fight for Peace, on projects generating impact on the young people you work with and the communities in which you operate.

An example of this is Creating Pathways, a project currently running in the UK which brings together Alliance organisations to adapt the Fight for Peace education programme for delivery in local communities. Young people in communities in Belfast, Derry-Londonderry, Tamworth and Port Talbot are all working towards the qualifications they need to move on to bigger and better things as a result of this project.

Tackling Inequalities is another example of a collaborative Alliance project generating impact for young people. This project sees five Alliance organisations in the UK delivering activities and support to young people to reduce the negative impact of COVID-19. In turn these Alliance member organisations share the experiences and learnings from the project in a podcast series called Fighting Back.

LEARNING AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

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The knowledge contained in the Fight for Peace Alliance is vast, stretching across four continents and covering an array of areas of expertise. This knowledge is available to all Alliance member organisations seeking to develop and maximise their impact.

Learning around best practice for supporting young people in communities affected by inequality and violence is being continually generated and shared in the Fight for Peace Alliance. As a member of the Alliance you have access to this knowledge and learning via regular workshops, publications and the Alliance Toolkit.

A GLOBAL MOVEMENT

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As a member of the Fight for Peace Alliance, you are part of a global movement committed to supporting young people to achieve their full potential and promoting peace in our communities. This offers the potential for enhanced reputation and access to funding, the opportunity to support and connect with other organisations facing the same challenges as you, and joint action to bring about change in our society.

All Alliance member organisations are affiliated to Fight for Peace, which has a proven 20 year record of delivering impact for young people in communities affected by inequality and violence around the world.

FIGHT FOR PEACE'S ROLE IN THE ALLIANCE



Fight for Peace is a member of the Alliance, participating fully in Alliance activities while also fulfilling a coordinating role. Training, activities, communications, strategy and other core functions are facilitated by Fight for Peace, with the ongoing input and collaboration of other Alliance member organisations.

THE FIGHT FOR PEACE ALLIANCE TOOLKIT



The Toolkit is an online platform containing an array of resources designed to support Fight for Peace Alliance members to develop and have a greater impact on young people and communities.

These resources are based both on the Fight for Peace methodology and on best practice from Alliance member organisations, and from across our sector.

The Toolkit is exclusively available to Fight for Peace Alliance member organisations and can be accessed [here](#).

HOW TO BE AN ACTIVE PART OF THE

FIGHT FOR PEACE ALLIANCE

The strength of the Alliance depends on the proactivity of you, its member organisations, and your openness to sharing, participating and staying in touch.

Here are some key ways that you can be active members of the Fight for Peace Alliance.

STAY CONNECTED

Stay in touch with us via our WhatsApp groups and via telephone and email.

SEEK SUPPORT

Reach out to fellow Alliance member organisations and to Fight for Peace to get support, advice and to collaborate. You can do this via WhatsApp, email, telephone or by contacting fellow member organisations directly through the [Fight for Peace website](#).

PARTICIPATE

Make time for Alliance workshops and check ins. Actively share your knowledge and learning, it can have an immensely powerful impact!

ACCESS THE TOOLKIT

Take advantage of the array of resources available to your organisation on the Alliance toolkit. Suggest additional resources that you think should be there or that you'd like to add.

SHARE YOUR FIGHT

Share your stories, projects, successes and learning with us so that other organisations can benefit. Tag Fight for Peace in your social media content so that we can highlight what's going on with you and the impact you're having. Use the hashtags #Alliance and #ShareYourFight when you post.

REACH OUT TO FELLOW ALLIANCE MEMBERS

Proactively connect with other Alliance member organisations via the [Fight for Peace website](#). Offer and ask for support where you see an alignment of activities or challenges.

VOICE YOUR OPINION

Participate in consultations, reach out to tell us how the Alliance can be improved, complete our regular feedback surveys. Your views matter!



WHO'S IN THE ALLIANCE?

The Fight for Peace Alliance brings together over 120 organisations from 18 countries worldwide. To see a full directory of Alliance member organisations along with their areas of expertise and contact details, head to the map via [this link](#).



GET IN TOUCH

There are a couple of different ways you can reach out to us an Alliance member organisation. The member of staff at Fight for Peace that handles your region should be your first point of contact. For general enquiries you can also email alliance@fightforpeace.net

FIGHT FOR PEACE ALLIANCE IMPACT

The Fight for Peace Alliance generates significant impact for young people and communities.

Here are a couple of examples of member organisations who have developed and benefited from being part of the Alliance.



INSADE (Interculturalidad, Salud y Derechos AC)

Mexico City, Mexico

ALLIANCE MEMBER ORGANISATION SINCE 2015

Interculturalidad, Salud y Derechos A.C. (INSADE) works to support people of all ages serving custodial sentences to reintegrate into society upon release from prison. Since joining the Fight for Peace Alliance in 2015, INSADÉ has developed its programmes, built delivery and funding partnerships locally and internationally, and has become a key provider of information, knowledge and support to fellow Alliance member organisations working in Mexico and beyond.

With the support of the Alliance, and in partnership with fellow member organisation Angel's de Lima Lama, INSADÉ introduced combat sports to its methodology and this has become central to the organisation engaging with those on its programmes and delivering impact. INSADÉ also developed a funding partnership with the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation, bolstering the sustainability of its programmes. Likewise it has strengthened its Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) practices and has become a regional reference for governance, strategic thinking and safeguarding policy.

This expertise has lead INSADÉ to support a number of fellow Alliance member organisations through the sharing of its practices. They have lead pan-regional Alliance workshops on fundraising and strategy and appeared as the international guests on an online conference convened by Alliance member organisation ADA. INSADÉ's nomination for a prestigious Beyond Sport Award in 2020 is testament its development as an organisation and the impact it is having on those participating in its programmes.



ZKJ DOJO

Belfast, Northern Ireland

ALLIANCE MEMBER ORGANISATION SINCE 2014

Since first joining the Fight for Peace Alliance back in 2014, the ZKJ Dojo has worked together with fellow Alliance member organisations and formed partnerships with funding bodies to broaden its provision of programmes and increase its impact. Having completed training at the Fight for Peace Rio Academy upon joining the Alliance, ZKJ partnered with fellow Alliance member organisation the Northern Ireland Youth Forum to launch Fight to Unite, funded by Comic Relief. This programme offers young people aged 12 and older an integrated programme of activities combining specialist mentoring and support, education, leadership and employment opportunities alongside martial arts training.

ZKJ has since worked collaboratively with other organisations across the UK, and with the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation and National Lottery Community Fund, as part of the Fight for Peace Alliance Creating Pathways programme. For ZKJ this has led to the development of a pioneering programme that combines mixed martial arts with education and mentoring to get young people re-engaged with learning and able to move on to further education, employment or training.

ZKJ Dojo Founder Danny Corr: "To offer recognised qualifications alongside sport specific training is a dream come true. Not everyone can be a top competitor, but everyone can gain a positive life changing experience through a focused programme. Being part of the Fight for Peace Alliance has really worked for us."

IN THE PRESS

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VESTED INTEREST

CHAMPIONS IN A BETTER WORLD

The club of Finito Lopez has a special social mission



John Dennen
Boxing News
Amateur Editor

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HE LUPITA gym in Mexico City has a glorious past. The 54-year-old club has helped create some of the finest fighters in history.

Ricardo "Finito" Lopez, a superb amateur in the early 1980s who never lost in 51 professional fights, came from the local area and was a product of the gym. Other world champions who trained there in their heyday were Carlos Zarate, Luis Pintor, Alexis Arguello, Raul Bernal and Barocho Lino.

In this day and age, a host of amateur hopefuls train at the gym. But the club owner, Alberto Navarrete, now has a broader ambition: for the gym that his grandfather founded. Four years ago, in his 50th anniversary, he had a new

aim which was around having more champions but in a better world. That's why we started thinking we had to work more around social issues," Navarrete told Boxing News.

He invited TRASO, a charity that works towards social transformation in the community. Tacubaya, in Mexico City, is the building that housed the boxing gym. Later, thanks to a link through Fight For Peace alumni network, TRASO began working in the area to create a social programme that would help young people. TRASO's mission is to reduce youth violence, "it's to help young people that are involved in or affected by youth violence to steer clear of that, live happy and secure lives. But our approach is that youth violence is a manifestation of many different and complicated issues. So to work on youth violence you need to work on education and employability and personal development issues and leadership issues and all of that sort of thing. So yes, our mission is all about youth violence. But we're not running singular programmes that go 'do not pick up a knife'. We're saying what's going on in that young person's life more broadly that's led them to this situation? How can we develop opportunities for them? How can we unlock potential in them

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WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Big Lottery Fund grant will help spread the Fight For Peace method across the country, writes John Dennen

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OXING, we know, is a tough, intense and at times risky combat sport. But it's not an act of violence. It is controlled, regulated and takes place both under a set of rules and an understanding of the conduct required. The sport in fact helps reduce violence. Not in isolation but as a part of an overall programme it can play a role. That is the real, observable experience of the charity Fight For Peace. There are five pillars to the Fight For Peace method: training in boxing or combat sport, education, employability, support services and leadership.

James Baderman, their head of programmes, explained, "So young people don't come in and just do sport. They come in because they want to do combat sports but then we layer all of those different activities around the sport. So the public health approach is about being holistic. It's about targeting those who are living in communities that have difficulties with violence but who will probably never get involved, so having preventative measures. It's about working with those who face multiple risk factors, that's what we would call intervention approaches and then there are rehabilitation approaches for those who are heavily involved and they're much more intensive and complicated."

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that will mean that they don't get involved with that particular behaviour?" Baderman said. "So it's very important to have somewhere for them to go and a diversionary activity (for which boxing is ideal) that occupies them. But that's the start. That's the platform on which you build."

"Combat sport delivered in a certain way, within certain values frameworks and alongside other services has a role to play," he added. "If you walk into a club where it's got inclusive values, it's safe, young people are valued and they have an understanding of their broad needs and they have other elements of the project, like education and personal development, then you're on to something really strong."

The Fight For Peace method works and they have the evidence to prove it. As well as their base in London the charity has a network of partners, gyms, clubs or organisations that do similar work.

With this Fight For Peace Alliance the charity shares its methods and provides training so that clubs can do this kind of social work and fundraising on a more formal basis. Fight For Peace has now received a substantial grant from the Big Lottery Fund, to the tune of £2.3 million over three years, to find existing clubs to join their network and development of programmes they can provide. "All of that money is focused on sharing the methodology," Baderman says. "It's about us growing and strengthening and scaling the programming via the network."

They're looking in particular to find partners in regions where they don't already have a presence. "The first element is to grow it to all corners of the UK more comprehensively. So we'll find between five and 10 partners in Scotland and between five and 10 partners in Wales and then we'll do one more cohort of any pockets in the UK we haven't got good coverage. So it will enable us to get full coverage around the UK and grow by about 25 new alliance members. There's a strengthen element which is about saying we've got these other 35 or so existing partners around the UK and we've trained them over the course of a year and we don't want to stop at that point we want to give them >

THE ART OF FIGHTING WITHOUT FIGHTING: The charity Fight For Peace has an established methodology for using boxing to reduce violence



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Meet the personalities at the heart of the sport
With JOHN DENNEN



VIDEO: Manuel Mosquera set up the Box Fighters club in Cali, Colombia to help young people escape the clutches of criminal gangs. [right]

'THANK GOD I'M NOT A WORLD CHAMPION'

Gustavo Mosquera describes his mission in boxing and the 'punching bag of emotions'

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I knew how to fight with a knife before he even understood how to use his fists. Manuel Mosquera didn't think he'd even live to adulthood. The aim, when he was growing up in Cali, Colombia, was just to get an ID. Those weren't issued until you were 18. Gustavo thought it would be an achievement to live that long.

"The neighbourhood became a really dangerous place." Young people started taking sides in fights. That's how the first gangs started. Young people started coming into gangs just to defend themselves. They were fighting for something when they didn't even know what was the problem," he continued. "I was accepted as part of the gang because I was a fighter."

But internal politics on the squad and his life dragged Mosquera away from the squad. "It was very painful because he had potential," his coach said.

Boxing though had done something profound to Gustavo. "My relationship with my coach made me realise I could receive good things without being a bad person," he said.

He was stabbed but did not seek revenge. Ultimately Gustavo decided to become a coach himself. "I was warned not to do something bad but do something good with my sport," he said. "There's no more powerful thing I could be doing than saving lives of young people. Thank God I'm not a world champion because I think if I was successful in the sport I wouldn't be doing what I do now. Because I see world champions not doing what I'm doing."

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WEB WISDOM

Wilder - what a fight. WBC heavyweight champion Deontay Wilder impresses CALVIN FRANKS with his effort against Luis Ortiz.

It's National Apprenticeship Week! What better time than now to encourage your young people to think about their future.

THE FIGHT FOR CHANGE charity makes an important point.

After the first five weeks of WSE season 8, the Fighting Roosters lead introduces the small team cooking! Who do you think will make the cut to the playoffs? The French Fighting Roosters are ranked number one, at the moment, in season eight of the WSE D SERIES OF BOXING. The British Lionhearts are currently number two.



pregnancy" Margaret said. "Little by little we have realised so many benefits from boxing at Lupita. Discipline that comes with the sport and co-ordination of the body and the mind that you have to achieve when you are training, but the most important thing people are the empowerment it means for young people. When we see a young person come in very shy a young kid that may suffer violence outside or in their houses, when we just practise their tools, different options."

In a deprived area afflicted by the problems associated with drugs, crime, gambling and poverty, what the charity offers is important, especially the lessons in personal development and transferable skills, not to mention human rights and civic duties. "Their students don't get that anywhere else in Tacubaya. [There is] a big problem between gangs, gang issues. There are problems from gambling, gambling addiction is quite a big issue. We have a lot of violence issues, drugs are quite a well. I'm so happy

is to engage with the programme, come in every two weeks and make sure the children attend," Hector said. Lupita Albano Navarrete insisted on this. He reflected on the importance of the examples that young people see inside their houses. So you can tell them many things outside but if they go home and they see different rolemodels, you won't have a big impact. So I'm convinced of that, that's why I insisted as well."

OUR AIM NOW IS CREATING