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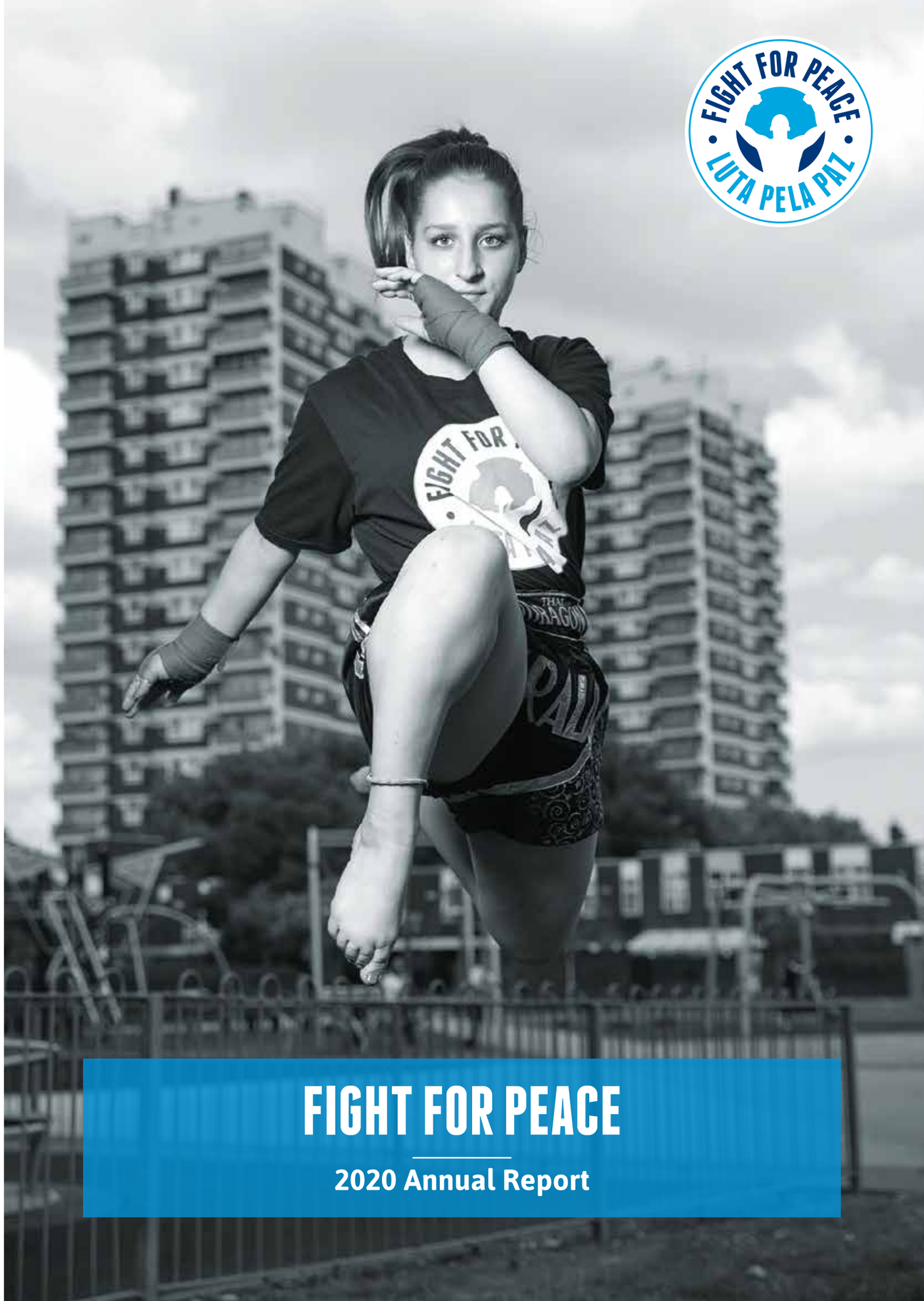

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2020 Annual Report

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MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

Dear Friends & Supporters,

The COVID-19 pandemic made 2020 an unprecedented and difficult year for everyone. It also presented significant challenges for our young people and staff, and made us have to rethink our regular activities and practices.

In addition to impacting our ability to provide services and support on a face-to-face basis, the pandemic hit the communities in which we work relatively harder than many other locations, creating new and challenging demands. As well as increased pandemic-related health risks and the closing of schools, these demands included some young people facing increased mental health issues, exposure to domestic violence and financial difficulties.

We responded to the crisis with a policy of safeguarding and sustainability. This meant prioritising the wellbeing, health and safety of staff and young people on our programmes, as well as providing on-going support wherever possible to those young people most in need throughout the period. It also meant working hard to ensure that Fight for Peace would be sustainable enough to continue for many years to come despite the economic challenges the pandemic has created.

2020 was also our 20th global anniversary, a milestone for any organisation, and I'm very humbled to say that our staff and young people showed the same strength, determination and resilience during the year that they have shown throughout the last twenty.

Thanks to this, and our amazing supporters and funders, we not only got through the year with all staff in place and key support being delivered safely, but, as you will see in this report, our teams innovated delivery methods, including introducing virtual support and delivery mechanisms, implemented new pandemic-related projects in partnership with local and international partners, and took the opportunity to adapt, learn and deliver possibly the broadest range of support services in our history.

Undoubtedly, there will be challenges ahead in this new-normal post-pandemic world. However, I can't think of anyone better than our young people, staff, trustees and supporters to see Fight for Peace through the next twenty years.

Luke Dowdney MBE
Founder

ABOUT OUR WORK

Fight for Peace supports young people to reach their full potential and promotes peace in our communities. We do this by providing access to the opportunities, support and safe environment that any young person needs to thrive, and by using a public health approach to violence prevention.

In the communities where we work, young people often face significant barriers to their development, including a lack of access to basic rights and high levels of violence. We work together with young people to address these challenges via three strategic focuses:

At our **Academies** we work directly with young people, developing their potential through integrated programmes of support and inclusion using our Five Pillars model;

Via our **Alliance** we exchange skills, knowledge and support with community-based partners around the world to strengthen our and their youth-focused programmes;

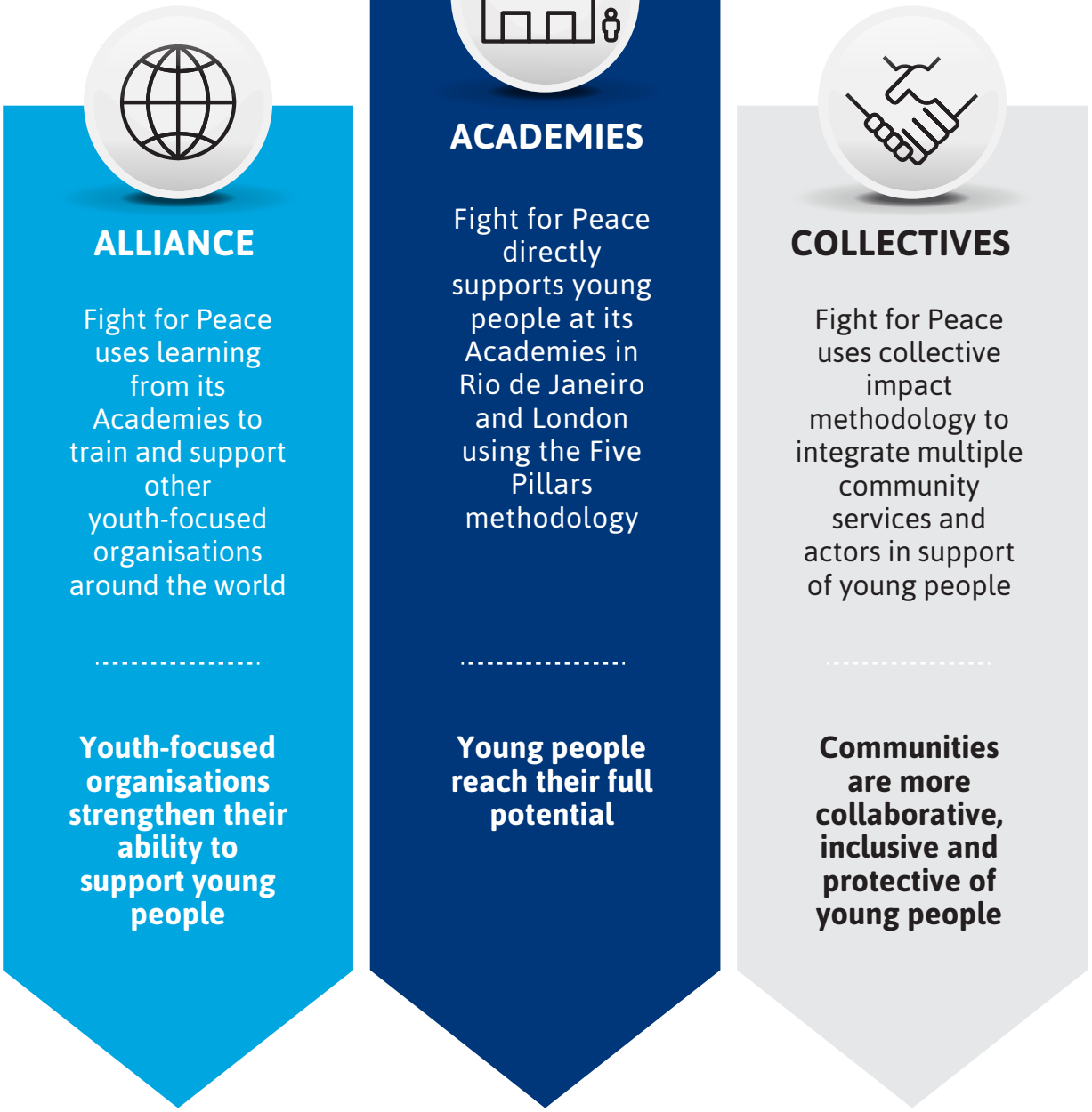
Through **Collectives** we work across communities, bringing together a range of actors, services and organisations to collaborate on a range of violence prevention and collective impact programmes to support young people.

Informed by a public health approach, and adapted to the different contexts in which we work, our programmes are designed to meet the needs of every young person in the community. Within this, we also focus on working intensively with individuals or groups identified as being at risk of becoming victims or perpetrators of violence. And we support young people most at risk of harm, or causing harm, to disengage from violence, and work to prevent them reoffending or being victimised again.

Fight for Peace and Luta pela Paz share methodology, values and strategy but are two separate legal entities. Fight for Peace is a UK registered charity and Luta pela Paz is a non-profit NGO registered in Brazil.

OUR THEORY OF CHANGE

FIGHT FOR PEACE SUPPORTS YOUNG PEOPLE TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL AND PROMOTES PEACE IN OUR COMMUNITIES VIA THREE STRATEGIC FOCUSES:



2020 HIGHLIGHTS AND NUMBERS

2020 was not a typical year for anyone. The challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, and its associated measures and restrictions, significantly impacted our work and this is reflected in the format of programmes presented in this report, which is different to previous editions. As our report shows, the difficulties of the year also presented a huge opportunity for us to adapt and learn as an organisation, and to deliver possibly our widest and most innovative range of support services to date.

2020 HIGHLIGHTS

SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN AND EMERGENCY FOOD PACKAGES

Fight for Peace's solidarity campaign (*Coragem Solidária*) provided support to 3,500 residents in Complexo da Maré, with more than 3,140 food and essentials packages distributed in the community. 2,500 emergency food packages were also delivered to young people and families in Kingston, Jamaica.

COLLABORATION WITH SIR LEWIS HAMILTON

We partnered with Sir Lewis Hamilton and Comic Relief, both supporters of Fight for Peace, to raise awareness of our work via an Instagram takeover and a feature on BBC Radio 4, guest edited by the F1 Champion.

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE NOW AWARDS 2020

The impact of our London Academy Special Project was recognised with a 2020 Children & Young People Now Youth Justice Award.

BEST 100 NGOs IN BRAZIL

Fight for Peace was named one of the top 100 NGOs in Brazil for the third consecutive year.

A NEW APPROACH TO MENTAL HEALTH

An innovative partnership with UNICEF saw us roll out our Quarantine Diaries project, designed to support young people facing mental health challenges during the pandemic.

£99,770 OF FUNDS SUB-GRANTED TO ALLIANCE MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

We supported youth-focused organisations across the UK to provide alternative education programmes to local young people and deliver activities to those most affected by socio-economic inequality.

LAUNCH OF THE PAN-NEWHAM PARTNERSHIP

The Pan-Newham Partnership officially launched, bringing together partners from across the east London borough of Newham to share resources and expertise and deliver more joined-up, holistic support to children, young people and families.

ADVOCACY AND POLICY INFLUENCE IN KINGSTON

We supported and contributed to the design of COVID-19 responses by several Jamaican government agencies, using the opportunity to advocate on a range of critical issues affecting young people and community members.

2020 HIGHLIGHTS AND NUMBERS

2020 IN NUMBERS

1,889
young people attended remote and face-to-face programmes and services at our Academies in London and Rio

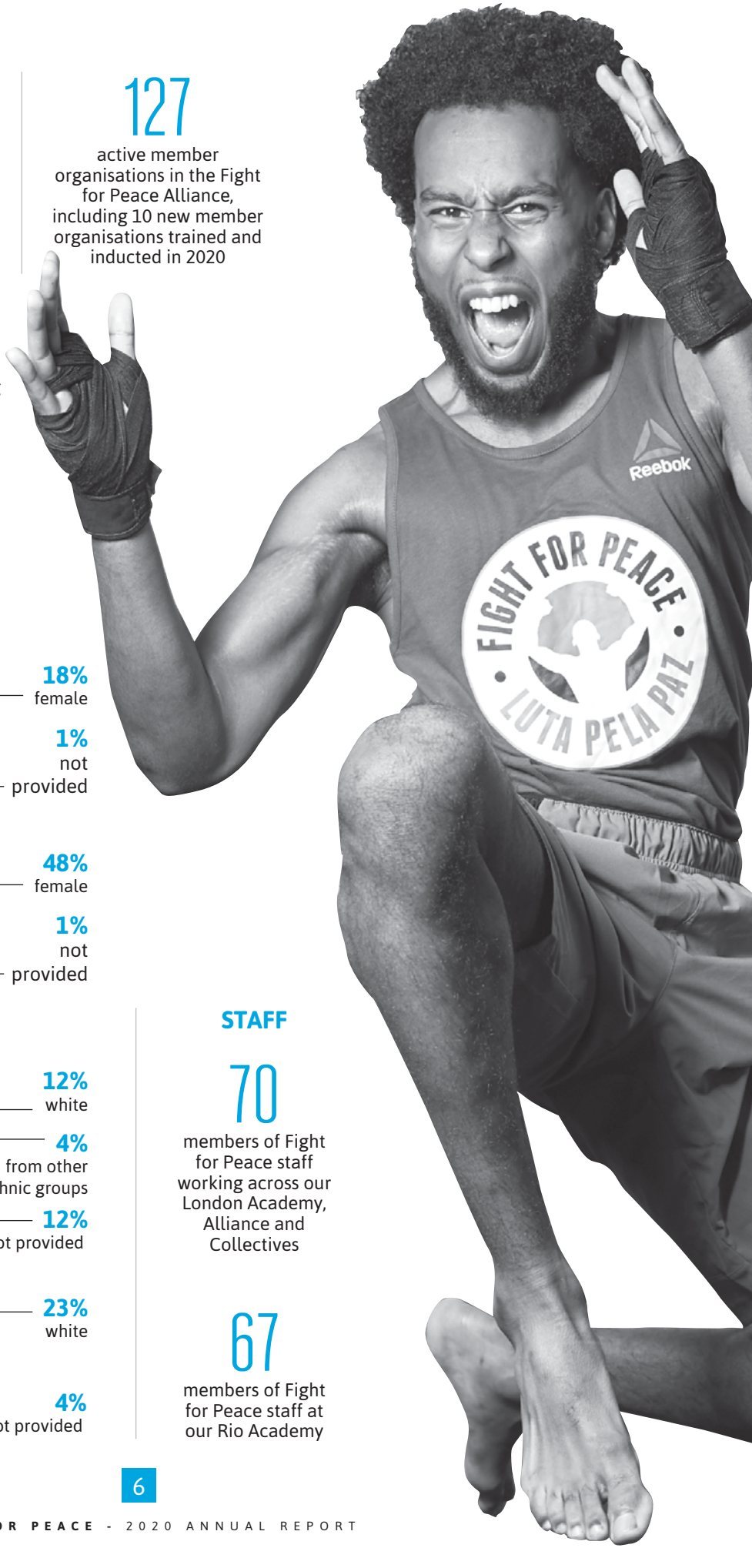
546
young people reached via the UP Unity & Peace* programme in Jamaica

127
active member organisations in the Fight for Peace Alliance, including 10 new member organisations trained and inducted in 2020

40
partners working together in the UP Unity & Peace programme*

30
partners working together in the Pan-Newham Partnership*

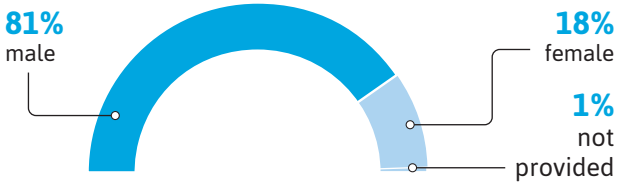
*A Fight for Peace Collective



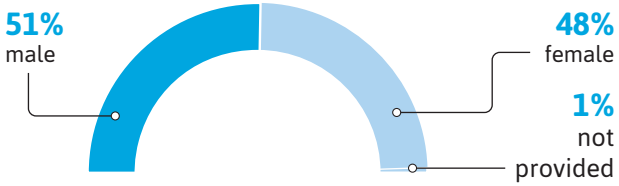
YOUNG PEOPLE

Gender

London Academy:



Rio Academy:



Race and ethnicity

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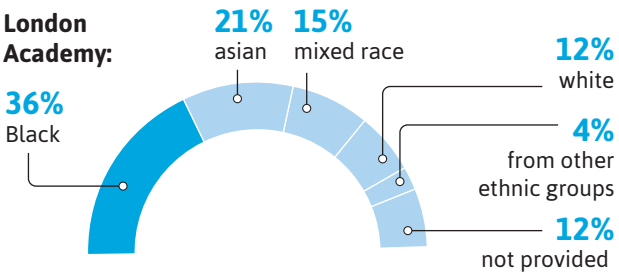

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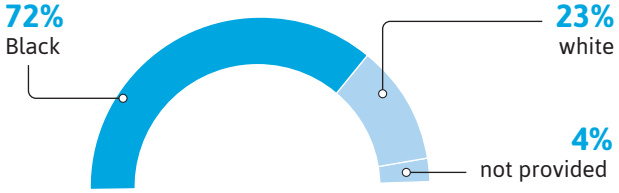


STAFF

70
members of Fight for Peace staff working across our London Academy, Alliance and Collectives

67
members of Fight for Peace staff at our Rio Academy

ACADEMIES

LONDON ACADEMY

In 2020 we ensured that our London Academy services remained available to our young people, particularly those who most need them. This meant adapting to changing degrees of lockdown restrictions by delivering programmes remotely, in large part online. We retained face-to-face support for those young people most vulnerable wherever possible and broadened our services within our local communities in North Woolwich and Newham to provide solutions to emerging needs.

IN 2020:

- We delivered **sport and personal development sessions, mentoring and wellbeing check-ins**, and support in finding employment and developing leadership skills. Our services were provided both in **face-to-face and remote settings** in line with lockdown restrictions and social distancing guidelines.
- Our programmes prioritised safeguarding our most vulnerable young people. This included our **Special Project**, which aims to address issues of violence and trauma amongst young men, offering intensive support to enable them to make significant changes in their lives.
- Through our **Emergency Living Fund**, we supported local young people whose families were facing severe financial difficulties as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Our **food drops** provided access to food and essentials for local young people and families most in need of support.
- We ran a **summer Twilight programme** for young people aged 7-14 years old incorporating sports and creative activities, and nutritious meals.
- We delivered **Lockdown Learning sessions** providing opportunities for professional development and upskilling for our staff. This included training our boxing and martial arts coaches in incorporating mentoring and personal development in sports sessions via the Life Champions course.
- We began work on the **London Academy Peace Garden**. Symbolising peace, tranquility and remembrance, this is a place to take time out, reflect and pay our respects to those loved ones we have lost.
- We welcomed Jenny Oklikah as the **new Fight for Peace CEO**, guiding our work in the UK, Jamaica and across our global Fight for Peace Alliance.
- We rolled out a series of measures aimed at ensuring the **wellbeing of our team of staff** including the creation of a professional employee assistance programme, extra training for line managers aimed at how to best support staff and a wellbeing survey to understand the needs and challenges of the team.

2020 IMPACT

367 sport sessions delivered, including 64 online workout videos

471 mentoring/casework sessions and check-ins delivered, including 164 remote check-ins with young people via telephone in periods of lockdown

113 food drops to young people and families in the local community

Financial support for **28** young people and families through the Emergency Living Fund

447 support sessions* delivered to young people on the Special Project

10 Lockdown Learning training workshops delivered to staff

*These sessions include sport, mentoring, personal development, education and employability elements.

ACADEMIES

> I've been doing loads of online classes to help maintain my fitness and alongside that I have also been doing some running as my outdoor exercise. The online classes have been a great way to socialise with my teammates and coaches who I wouldn't get to see due to the lockdown.
> **Fight for Peace London Academy young person**

CASE STUDY: MEGAN'S STORY

IF I CAN GET THROUGH THE INTENSITY OF FIGHT FOR PEACE'S SPORTS SESSIONS, I CAN GET THROUGH LIFE'S CHALLENGES

Megan* is a Fight for Peace member who attends boxing, muay thai, and Lutadoras** sessions, and receives one-to-one mentoring and employability support. She was first introduced to Fight for Peace eight years ago. Back then, Megan thought 'if I can get through the intensity of Fight for Peace's sports sessions, I can get through life's challenges'.

In 2020, Megan has had highs and lows. The COVID-19 pandemic meant that she felt motivated at times, but her motivation at times went right down. She found sports sessions more engaging when delivered face to face, rather than online. She has also been studying from home, and has found that challenging.

Megan was supported via food drops and the Emergency Living Fund, which she believes made a big difference for herself and her family members. It also helped her stay hopeful and positive.

Megan is now looking for a job. She has an updated CV and has already been invited to interviews, thanks to the employment support she received from Fight for Peace. Once she finds a job, she is hoping to move out from home – something she never thought was possible before.

*The name of this young person has been changed to protect their privacy.
**Lutadoras is a female only group working together in support of personal growth.

AN AWARD WINNING SPECIAL PROJECT

Children & Young People Now Awards 2020 Winner

Having been nominated for a Children & Young People Now Award in 2020, Fight for Peace's Special Project was named winner of the Youth Justice Award in an online ceremony held in early 2021.

Based at the London Academy, the Special Project aims to address issues of violence and trauma amongst young men, offering intensive support to enable them to make significant changes in their lives.

The project empowers participants to have a positive sense of self-identity, develop knowledge about their place in society and of cultural history, improve their financial management, access education and employment opportunities, build stronger, positive relationships with others, and have a more positive view of their future.

Through this intensive support, the project provides opportunities for young people to thrive, manage their emotional health, and to help prevent violent and offending behaviour.

ACADEMIES

RIO ACADEMY

In Rio de Janeiro, we reacted quickly to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, creating an emergency plan to address the most severe impacts on our community, Maré. We partnered with local organisations to run a wide-ranging emergency project, providing essential supplies to the most vulnerable households, safe online spaces for our children and young people, and a report with recommendations on strengthening the local child protection network.

We were able to maintain our regular support by pivoting towards digital provision of services, whilst the design of new, innovative methodologies enhanced our mental health support and amplified the voice and agency of our young people.

IN 2020:

- Together with partners, we ran a **solidarity campaign** on our social media channels to raise money to provide food and essentials for those residents most in need.
- We adapted our service provision to **online delivery** to ensure that our young people continued their development and maintained virtual contact with their peers.
- We **partnered with UNICEF, *Observatório de Favelas and Redes da Maré*** to strengthen the protection network for children in Maré. This was done via a series of integrated activities focused on support for the most vulnerable households, psycho-social support for children and young people, and research into the dynamics of violence in Maré. As part of this project, Fight for Peace:

- Offered **psycho-social support** to families in the most vulnerable situations through online and phone check-ins, home visits, and provision of the Maré Card, a top up card used to buy essential goods at local shops.
- Designed and piloted the **Quarantine Diaries**, supporting children and young people dealing with mental health challenges during the pandemic.
- **Trained 30 Young Mobilisers** from Maré to produce and share content on mental health. Videos produced by the mobilisers reached 28,000 people via social media.

- We held discussion groups and disseminated information booklets and videos on our ***Nós com Elas* campaign** aimed at reducing gender based inequality and violence. The campaign reached 54,121 people via our social media channels.
- We worked in partnership with other local organisations to found the **Maré Women's Support Network** with the aim of strengthening support and referral systems for women in the community.
- We held a **sponsored virtual run**, in partnership with our ambassador, journalist **Carol Barcellos**, with the aim of raising awareness about violence against women.
- Through our **commitment to a more inclusive society**, we held training for our staff team, made structural changes to our Academy and undertook an analysis of our organisation to understand how our programmes and services can better meet the needs of disabled people.
- We were once again recognised as one of the **100 Best NGOs in Brazil** by *Instituto Doar*, *AMBEV Voa* and *O Mundo que Queremos*.

2020 IMPACT

951 Maré cards, and 3,140 food and essentials packages distributed

451 online and combat sports sessions delivered, engaging 842 young people over a 10 month period in which our Academy was closed due to COVID-19 restrictions

253 face-to-face sport sessions delivered, engaging 503 young people. Face-to-face sessions were delivered in periods of the year when social distancing measures were eased and strictly followed health protocols to protect our young people and staff

98 employment support sessions, 67 education sessions, 61 personal development sessions and 108 youth leadership sessions delivered

240 mentoring and casework sessions and check-ins provided and 560 face-to-face household visits carried out in support of the most vulnerable families in Maré

Over **28,000** people reached via our *CRIAndo Rede* online campaign supporting young community leaders to create a dialogue on mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic

34 women supported through our *Nós com Elas* discussion groups.

1,212 people from across Brazil ran over 44,500km in support of our *Corra por Elas* campaign

526 individual and group psychological support sessions provided

ACADEMIES

> Being a Young Mobiliser in the *CRIAndo Rede* project really helped me to get interested in mental health. Being able to help myself and the people closest to me really motivates me. After participating in the online meetings, I learned that we all have lots to work on internally. We don't need to face this alone, we can always look for help.
>
> **Laura*, Fight for Peace young person and Young Mobiliser.**

CASE STUDY: GABRIELA'S STORY

I LEARNED LOTS ABOUT LISTENING RESPECTFULLY AND WITHOUT JUDGEMENT

Gabriela* first came to Fight for Peace when she was almost nine years old. Initially she studied English as her parents didn't like the idea of her participating in combat sports. She was able to persuade them otherwise, however and began doing judo sessions. After three years, she joined the Rio Academy Youth Council, representing Fight for Peace and her peers in lots of different ways.

In 2020, Gabriela used her influence to pass on mental health knowledge and experience to other young people in the community. "I learned lots about listening respectfully and without judgement. Everyone has their own experiences. I think that I learned so much more than I could pass on but I believe I was able to communicate what it means to be a woman in society, the reality we face in Brazil and the different types of harassment and abuse."

*The name of this young person has been changed to protect their privacy.

QUARANTINE DIARIES: A NEW APPROACH TO MENTAL HEALTH

Isolation from friends and family coupled with food insecurity and reduced access to education and recreational activities presented serious mental health challenges for children and young people from Maré in 2020.

In response to this, and as a means of offering support to young people at this unprecedented time, the Fight for Peace team in Rio created a new approach to mental wellbeing - the Quarantine Diaries. This involved brief interventions and participation in networks, with sessions being divided into three main categories:

- Individual support sessions for those with more serious mental health challenges;
- Group support sessions for those with similar challenges;
- Peer support between young people.

PROJECT IMPACT

Increased motivation and a positive change in self-perception:

- **95%** of participants felt that the sessions changed their lives in some way
- **95%** of participants reported having more motivation to reach their goals

Increased empathy, self-care and autonomy

- **89%** of participants were better able to see things from other people's perspectives
- **75%** of participants took more care of their body and hygiene

> "I learned to listen and understand people more and I can open up more - I feel more positive about the things that are happening to me now."
>
> **Quarantine Diaries participant**

EDUCATION THAT PROTECTS

unicef

The closure of schools during the COVID-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on children all around the world. Remote learning has presented a series of new challenges, both for schoolchildren and their teachers.

Recognising the fundamental role that schools and schoolteachers play in the protection and development of children and young people, Fight for Peace launched Education that Protects, in partnership with UNICEF. The aim of the initiative was to strengthen the ability of schools to provide access to education and of schoolteachers to identify and respond to students' increased vulnerabilities during the pandemic.

This took the form of a national online training course for schoolteachers and children's rights professionals, addressing themes like mental health, violence, and school exclusion. The initiative was delivered via two approaches:

1) MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSES (MOOCS)

Three courses were delivered, focusing on addressing mental health issues, identifying and responding to cases of violence, using referral networks, and school exclusions in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.
Over four weeks:

897
people participated on the Education that Protects course

648
people completed the course and were awarded certificates

2) SPECIAL CLASSES

Participants from five Brazilian municipalities (Rio de Janeiro, Boa Vista, Sobral, Recife and São Luís) took part in immersive classes that focused on learning exchange, mentoring and drawing up action plans to sustain the impact of the course.

124
people participated in Special Classes

74
people completed classes and were awarded certificates

> "The course was really well organised, both in terms of online meetings and the Virtual Learning Environment. The speakers and educators were very professional and friendly and helped my development a lot. In terms of the content, the activities, forums and complementary materials were really enriching. And we had an attentive team on hand to always help us. I really loved participating in this course and I look forward to new learning opportunities!"
>
> **Course participant**

ALLIANCE

The Fight for Peace Alliance adapted its approach in 2020, using online spaces to train new member organisations, share learning and best practice, provide tools and resources, and work together to change policy.

IN 2020:

- We **trained community based organisations** from the UK and Sweden in the Fight for Peace methodology and welcomed them into the Fight for Peace Alliance. This training was adapted from face-to-face to online delivery to allow it to take place in unprecedented circumstances.
- We **strengthened online collaboratio**n between Alliance member organisations via webinars and online learning workshops with the aim of collectively tackling and finding solutions to challenges emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic. This included topics on financial hardship, mental health and employment prospects among young people, and supporting the sustainability of organisations and ensuring the wellbeing of staff.
- We produced **best practice content** for the Alliance online toolkit for member organisations to access learning and resources to help them best support their young people and communities.
- We **sub-granted funding to four Alliance member organisations** in the UK to allow them to run programmes supporting young people most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- We launched the **Fighting Back podcast series** bringing together four Alliance organisations in the UK and Fight for Peace to share learning and best practice on supporting the most vulnerable young people in our communities.
- We provided support to allow Alliance member organisations to continue to implement **locally delivered alternative education programmes** for young people to re-engage with learning via the Creating Pathways project.
- We **published an external evaluation** of the Fight for Peace Alliance over the period 2017 to 2020 which drew on extensive consultation with Alliance member organisations.

2020 IMPACT

10
new Alliance member organisations trained in the Fight for Peace methodology in the UK and Sweden

37
webinars, online training sessions and online learning workshops held with Alliance member organisations

28
pieces of content created, sharing best practice among Alliance member organisations

£99,770
of funds sub-granted to Alliance member organisations in the UK by Fight for Peace

63
young people from Alliance member organisations gained one or more qualification (English, maths and vocational)

ALLIANCE

> Organisations are undoubtedly strengthened as a result of belonging to the Fight for Peace Alliance. The energy and ideas shared between members has strengthened organisations and their ability to deliver for young people.
>
> **SocialQual/Cloud Chamber External Evaluation of the Fight for Peace Alliance**

> I feel like the Alliance has helped us believe in ourselves, in our capacity, and have a vision for the future of where we want to be as an organisation. It built our confidence. Today we are an international organisation because we walked in Fight for Peace's steps and we realised it was possible.
>
> **Representative of an Alliance member organisation**

CASE STUDY: WORKING TOGETHER TO CHANGE THE GAME

Fight for Peace Alliance member organisation St. Columbs Park House works with Fight for Peace and fellow Alliance organisation, Strike Academy, to deliver a groundbreaking alternative education programme to young people at HMP Magilligan, a prison in Northern Ireland. The 2020 COVID-19 pandemic threatened to derail this vital programme with all face-to-face sessions being suspended.

Following collective efforts by the Alliance, however, St. Columbs Park House was able to pave the way for a policy change at the Northern Irish Ministry of Justice and HMP Magilligan to allow vital support to young people to continue on a remote basis. This has had a dramatic impact on those young people participating both in their continued development and their ability to finish their courses.

COLLECTIVES

UP UNITY & PEACE, Kingston, Jamaica

Fight for Peace adapted the UP Unity & Peace programme in Jamaica in 2020 to safely deliver on its current commitments to beneficiaries and donors; respond to urgent needs created by the COVID-19 pandemic; and strengthen its advocacy on behalf of young people living in communities affected by violence, their families and the organisations that serve them.

IN 2020:

- We **transitioned the majority of our programmes to online delivery**. This included a pilot virtual reading programme, virtual exam-prep sessions, sport and personal development sessions, parenting workshops and capacity-building workshops for partner organisations.
- We delivered comprehensive **psycho-social support** via telephone check-ins reaching more than 500 young people and their families. Young people and families were guided through state services for additional support.
- We partnered with private sector entities and several of our current donors to deliver more than **2,500 emergency food packages** to young people and their families.
- We supported and/or contributed to the **design of COVID-19 responses and adaptations** by several Jamiacan government agencies, using the opportunity to advocate on issues critical to young people and community members. This included work with the Department of Correctional Services and the Department of Probations, and Ministries of Health and Wellness, and Education, Youth and Information.
- We **contributed insights** from the UP Unity & Peace programme to discussions, including on violence prevention and educational performance, facilitated by the Ministry of Culture, Gender, Entertainment and Sport, the Education Transformation Commission and the National Commission on Violence Prevention.

2020 IMPACT

151
sport sessions (online and face-to-face) delivered

940
psycho-social support sessions and check-ins delivered to 500 young people and their families

2,500
emergency food packages delivered to young people and their families

COLLECTIVES

> "This joint Collective Impact approach fascinated us. It has benefitted us. We are a better agency as a result of Fight for Peace",
> **Representative of UP Unity & Peace partner organisation**

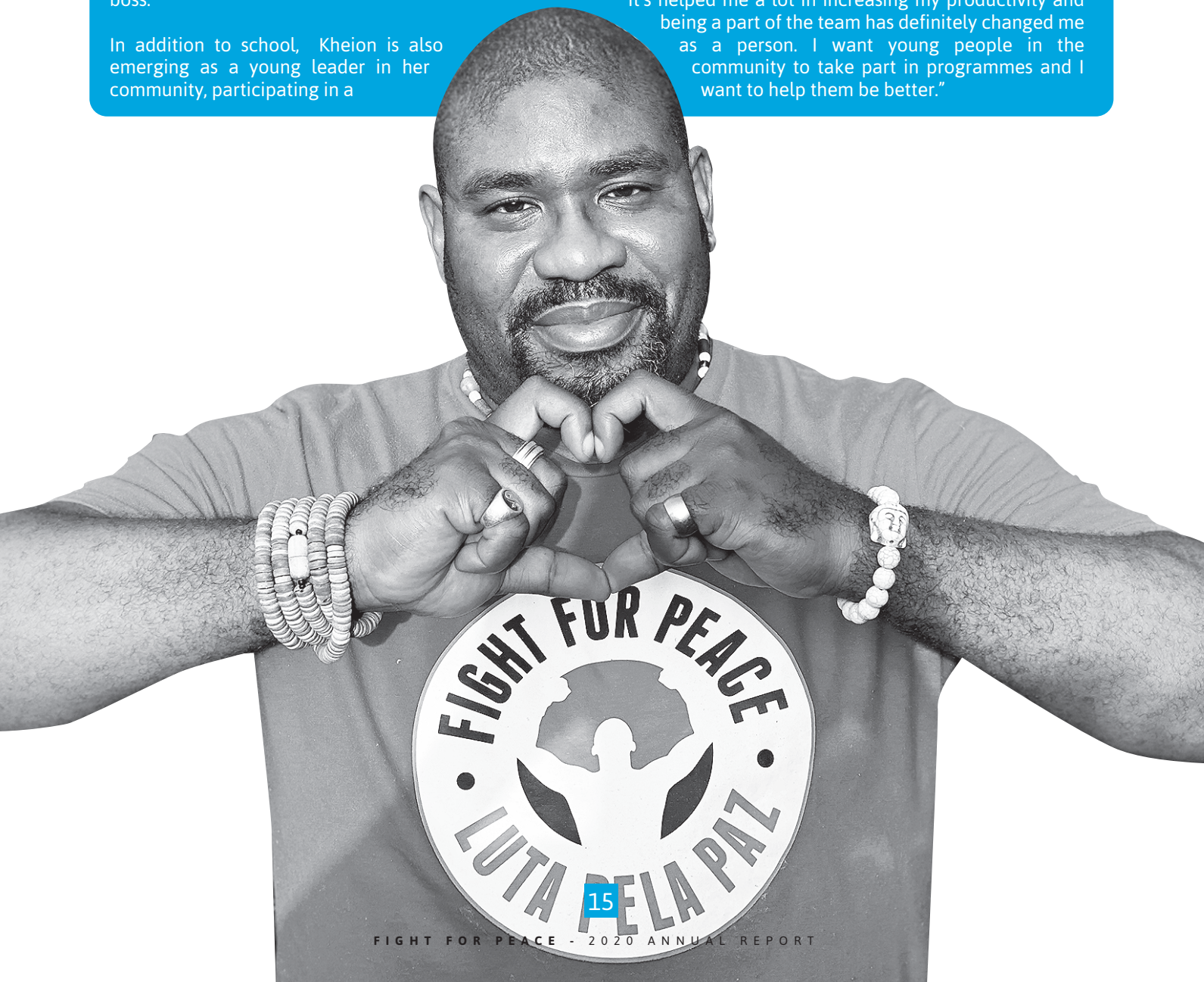
CASE STUDY:

WHENEVER I FELT DEMOTIVATED, I WOULD REMIND MYSELF OF MY DREAM

Through her determination, and taking advantage of the support and opportunities offered by the UP Unity & Peace programme, Kheion is blazing a trail directly towards her future goals. From Trench Town, Kingston, she recently got eight passes in her school leaving exams and is now enrolled in university. Her goal is to complete a double major in business and in civil engineering. "I did what I had to do to get my exams done and then I went and got the scholarship. Whenever I felt demotivated or overwhelmed, I would remind myself of my dream to study abroad and be my own boss."

In addition to school, Kheion is also emerging as a young leader in her community, participating in a number of projects to support other young people. And she is honing her leadership skills as part of the UP Unity & Peace Youth Council, influencing how the programme operates and the direction it takes.

She has also more recently started contributing to the day to day work of the programme, taking up an assistant role in the Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) team. "Being a member of the Youth Council and working with the MEL Officer has improved my initiative, and helped with my time management and procrastination. It's helped me a lot in increasing my productivity and being a part of the team has definitely changed me as a person. I want young people in the community to take part in programmes and I want to help them be better."



COLLECTIVES

PAN-NEWHAM PARTNERSHIP, Newham, London

The Pan-Newham Partnership officially launched in 2020, bringing together partners from across the London Borough of Newham to share resources and expertise and deliver more joined up, holistic support to children, young people and their families.

IN 2020:

- Young people from four Pan-Newham Partnership member organisations came together to take part in a paid **creative writing project** about the local community. In addition, young people from three organisations in the Pan-Newham Partnership undertook paid roles in co-designing a digital map of youth services for Newham with University College London (UCL).

- Fight for Peace and two Pan-Newham Partnership member organisations received funding from Newham Council to deliver a **Youth Zone for the Royal Docks**. This includes the recruitment of a Youth Psychologist at Fight for Peace to work with young people and support their mental health and wellbeing.

- **Fight for Peace re-granted funding to two Pan-Newham Partnership** member organisations - West Silvertown Foundation and Royal Docks Learning and Activity Centre - to support young people with the transition back to education during the pandemic.

- **Policies and procedures, risk assessments and online safeguarding training** were shared among Pan-Newham Partnership member organisations via fortnightly online meetings and a WhatsApp group, ensuring everyone was learning together and not working in isolation.

> "Being involved in the Pan-Newham Partnership workshops has given us as an organisation so much ... The most important aspect of the work is that it has brought so many different members of the community together with a common goal of safeguarding our young people and working together to support their wellbeing and reduce violence in the borough."
>
> **Becky Dawson, Headstart Newham (Pan-Newham Partnership member organisation)**

THE PEACE GARDEN

The Peace Garden at our London Academy flourished in 2020 despite a year of lockdowns. Through the wonderful support and hard work of HTA Design and Build Up, phase one of the project was approaching completion at the end of 2020 with a number of Fight for Peace young people and staff having contributed to both the design and physical building of the garden.

This space, located at the rear of the Fight for Peace London Academy, symbolises peace, tranquility and remembrance. Once completed, it will be a place for young people and staff to take time out to reflect and be peaceful.

It is also a place where we can remember and pay our respects to those loved ones that we have lost in our lives. Sadly, this includes the young person and two members of staff that we lost in 2020. As we look forward with excitement to the installation of symbolic artwork in phase two of the project, and the official opening of the Peace Garden later in 2021, we pay tribute to those no longer with us and remember the wonderful role they played at Fight for Peace and in our lives.

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