



SEASON FOR
HUMANE SERVICE

ORGANIZER'S GUIDE

AGNT is cultivating a Season dedicated to promoting the heart of global healing: Humane Service. As one of four Seasons for Peace and Nonviolence, we welcome your suggestions and assure you that your participation in Season for Humane Service programs will contribute to a “world of good.”



S.P.A.N. = SEASONS FOR PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE

A Season for Humane Service is 1 of 4 Annual "Seasons for Peace and Nonviolence".

As a result of a decade of sustained strategic action, the Gandhi King Season for Nonviolence has helped to launch a new model for omni-local, spiritually-based peace governance, igniting a fusion of new communities and initiatives. "S.P.A.N. the Next Decade" celebrates four "Seasons" each year; groups may choose to participate in every season, specific seasons, or focus on one season as a theme for their permanent work.



A Season for Nonviolence: January 30 - April 4

A Season for Nonviolence is a national 64-day educational, media, and grassroots campaign dedicated to demonstrating that

non-violence is a powerful way to heal, transform, and empower our lives and our communities.



A Season for the Earth: April - June

Season for the Earth is devoted to focusing our consciousness-in-action

so we are better able to heal, nurture and transform the environment-- an undertaking now vital beyond description.



A Season for Humane Service: June - August

A Season for Humane Service is all about compassionate service and giving. We assure you that your

participation in these humanitarian projects will contribute to "A World of Good".



A Season for Interfaith -Intercultural Celebration: September - December

Join hundreds of task forces around the world in prayer gatherings and workshops focusing on interfaith communication and harmony.

WHAT DOES A SEASON FOR HUMANE SERVICE TASK FORCE DO?

The primary role of the local task force is to identify and connect organizations and individuals that are engaged in work promoting human rights, equality, and humanitarian aid in their city.

These organizations and individuals will describe a specific project, program, or initiative that emphasizes service to others. Featuring these programs and projects during the Season will build trust and enthusiasm within your community.

The Task Force Leader(s) will coordinate activities such as:

- Organize meetings
- Coordinate task force volunteers and their activities
- Communicate and transfer information to AGNT
- Represent your city on national steering committee
- Coordinate and plan local events
- Work with local media

Local task forces work to profile the organizations and individuals in their city who reflect the core principles of peace and equality. This will eventually create a “map” of “what’s working.”



HOW DO I BEGIN?

Call a meeting of key people in your church, spiritual community, or organization.

These would include, ministers and executive assistants, program directors, staff, core volunteers, members. Use the website to prepare handouts and discussion points. The online resources listed are hand-picked to bring you to the best resources available as quickly and easily as possible. We have already done the extensive research for you, so take advantage of this opportunity.

Schedule a brief meeting or conference call to determine if the group wants to go further. [USE THE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS AT THIS LINK TO FACILITATE A DIALOGUE.](#)

Your task Force will consist roughly of the following constituents:

- A. An organization in your community demonstrating commitment and leadership in this area
- B. Task Force Coordinator - You, or someone within your organization
- C. Core group of volunteers to serve as local Steering Committee:
SUGGESTIONS
 - Administrative, database, records, phone
 - Person who knows local media
 - Event planner
 - Meeting facilitator
 - Funding and promotion
 - Graphics and artwork; printing services
- D. 2nd “ring” of volunteers from community, to assist in:
 - Mailings
 - Promotion in the community to support events
 - General legwork
 - Offer hospitality, rides to visiting speakers
- E. Local leaders of organizations outside the core group

WHAT TYPES OF EVENTS CAN I PLAN?

If your team hasn't already come up with plans, here are some general ways that you can be part of our global community to bring peace and A Season for Humane Service to your community.

Food bank drive

Group volunteering at a local shelter

Community potluck

Series of workshops or classes

Sunday sermons; services

Book Discussion Groups

Movie Nights

Days of prayer, meditation

In service of local needs & issues

Local school programs and teaching curriculum

Fundraiser for local charity of your choice

See more examples [HERE](#) and [HERE](#)



Reporting and Posting Your Events

PLEASE tell us about all of your events and activities—AGNT would love to feature your projects and events to a global audience. The website allows you to easily submit your events, media activity, and projects. You can direct people to the Upcoming Events page for information on your event, and it will give others the opportunity to get involved.

[Fill Out Event Form](#)
[View Upcoming Events](#)

Please send reports about special events, including articles, photos, or videos that you are able to share to: span@agnt.org.

These items will be featured on our "[Current Task Force Reports](#)" page.

Your Task Force Listing

If you are an active task force, please check to be sure that your information is listed correctly on our [Task Force Map](#)

If you need to make any corrections or remove your group from the map, you can use [this form](#).



Season for Humane Service

IMPORTANT LINKS

- [Season for Humane Service Homepage](#)
- [Task Force Directory](#)
- [Upcoming Events](#)
- [Submit Event Form](#)
- [Task Force News](#)
- [Program Index](#)
- [Resources Index](#)
- [Service Quotations](#)
- [Interdependence Day 2013](#)
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