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**12-City Summer Summit Series Launched to Prevent Gun Violence in Black & Brown Communities, Hosted by Fund Peace Campaign & National Community Leaders**

*Summer Series Created by National Black & Brown-Led Gun Violence Prevention Groups to Celebrate Momentum for Bringing Peace to Communities Nationwide.*

WASHINGTON—Today, [Fund Peace](#)—a coalition of the nation's leading Black and Brown gun violence prevention organizations, experts, and community leaders—[unveiled a schedule](#) for its summer summit series taking place in cities across the U.S. The summits are designed to celebrate the grassroots organizations creating peace in our communities across the country by lifting up the work and voices of community-based violence intervention groups. The summits also include on-site training and technical assistance to strengthen organizations' gun violence reduction strategies.

Each of the cities where summits will occur was chosen because it has been critically impacted by the pandemic and an uptick in violence. The next city to host a summit is Houston, which will take place on Friday, May 21 and will precede the George Floyd Remembrance March over the weekend. Following Houston, Fund Peace's summits will migrate to Kenosha, WI; Atlanta, GA; St. Louis, MO; Washington, D.C.; Oakland, CA; Chicago, IL; Los Angeles, CA; Minnesota, MN; and New York, NY, among other cities.

The first summit successfully launched on May 15 in Louisville, Kentucky, in partnership with The Louisville Metro Government's Office for Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods (OSHN). During the summit, Fund Peace and Cities United also announced a \$5,000 grant for the Louisville-based community violence prevention organization No More Red Dots, which was matched by a secondary donor.

The summer summits build on Fund Peace's local and national initiatives to reduce gun violence by turning to community-based solutions. This series also stems from Fund Peace leaders' work with the Biden administration to secure \$5 billion in federal funding for evidence-based community violence intervention programs. This funding, if passed by Congress, will provide an unprecedented opportunity to build an infrastructure of peace to heal communities and disrupt cycles of violence. Ensuring that groups on the ground have the access to the resources, technical support, and capacity needed to act on these opportunities is a fundamental component of this work, which the summits help to accomplish.

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