



SONGS FOR PEACE TO
Stop Gun Violence

SONG AND MUSIC CONTEST

July 18-August 15, 2011

Show Us Your Creativity ... And Win Prizes!

You can make a difference by writing an original song about stopping gun violence and entering it in the "Songs for Peace to Stop Gun Violence Contest."

The song can be rap, rock n roll, R&B, pop or whatever style works for you. But no plagiarizing.

Youth from South Mountain, Cactus Park and Maryvale Areas all Welcome!

FIRST PRIZE

Opportunity to record your song in a professional music studio, use of your song on a citywide marketing campaign and a \$100 Best Buy certificate (per entry).

TWO HONORABLE MENTION PRIZES

A \$50 Best Buy certificate (per entry).

WHY?

Kids are exposed to violence in many ways - through video games, movies, TV shows, and more. But a major concern is the number of kids who actually experience gun violence - kids who know someone who has been shot, or have been threatened by someone with a gun, or know someone who has carried a gun to school or in the community. Just last year, 32 kids under age 18 were killed by gunshot injuries in our state. Many more kids were injured by gunshots, but survived after a long stay in the hospital and recovery. Gunshot injuries are now the leading cause of death for teens 15-17 in Arizona. Gun deaths and injuries affect not only children but also their families and their communities. But we can do something about it - even kids. If we work together to prevent kids under 18 from carrying guns, resolve conflicts in peaceful ways, and create safe communities and schools, we can stop gun violence.

HOW DO I ENTER?

Write and perform a song with lyrics and messaging teaching others about the importance of STOPPING gun violence and keeping families safe. Draw from your personal experiences and include the key message of PEACE in your lyrics.

CONTEST RULES

- All music must be original.
- Do not use any distasteful language or profanity in your song—keep it clean!
- No literal references to inappropriate behaviors, such as drug use, killing, sexual activity, etc.
- You can submit alone or as a team, maximum of four kids per team per entry.
- Song should be four minutes in length or less.
- Music lyrics must be attached to the entry form.
- Entry may include, but is not limited to audio only, audio and video, computer graphics and voiceover.
- Entries must be submitted on DVD or flash drive and labeled with your name and the name of the song. Entries will not be returned. If more than one person is on an entry, each person must fill out a form, all referencing the name of the song.
- Submit your entries to Kingdom Communities of the Valley at South Phoenix Youth Center, 5245 S. 7th St., Phoenix, AZ 85040; Maryvale Community Center, 4420 N. 51st Ave., Phoenix, AZ, 85031; or Golden Gate Community Center, 1625 N. 39th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85009 by August 15, 2011 at 5 p.m.



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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Contest Dates – July 18-August 15, 2011

Your Name _____ Age _____

Email Address _____ Home Phone _____

Home Address _____

Name of Song _____

I give _____ my permission

to participate in the Sing Your Way to "Stopping Gun Violence" contest.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Today's Date _____

DON'T WAIT TO SPEAK UP.

REPORT GUN VIOLENCE TODAY.

Always Anonymous Hotline: 800-SPEAK-UP

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