

Denver Proclaims September 21 'Day of Peace,' Calling on Young Coloradans to Create Positive Change

Proclamation marks the International Day of Peace and three decades of PeaceJam's service to Colorado youth.

DENVER, CO, UNITED STATES, September 21, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Denver Mayor Mike Johnston has proclaimed September 21, 2026, as "Day of Peace" in the City and County of Denver, joining the United Nations' International Day of Peace in calling on everyone to help turn humanity's highest hopes for peace into a lasting culture of peace for future generations.

The proclamation also marks the 30th anniversary of PeaceJam, a Denver-based nonprofit whose Nobel Peace Laureate-inspired programs have empowered thousands of young people across Colorado over three decades. In honoring that work, the City and County of Denver joins PeaceJam in "encouraging young leaders to be committed to positive change within themselves, their communities, and the world."



PeaceJam's Executive Director Lauren Coffaro holds the official proclamation declaring September 21, 2026 as 'Day of Peace,' in front of the City of Denver offices at the Colorado State Capitol.

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PeaceJam brings joy and fun to the hard work of changing the world.”

*Archbishop Desmond Tutu,
1984 Nobel Peace Laureate*

Established by the United Nations, the International Day of Peace is dedicated to strengthening the ideals of peace within and among all nations and peoples. The proclamation calls peace "humanity's guiding inspiration" and notes that global and local challenges ask all of us to act.

"Building peace takes all of us," said Lauren Coffaro, Executive Director of PeaceJam. "At its heart, PeaceJam is about young people translating inspiration into action for peace, and for 30 years, Colorado youth have done exactly that in their schools and communities. Denver has always been our home, and this community helped take the movement global. Many Denverites still remember our 10th anniversary gathering at the University of Denver, when thousands of young people joined 10 Nobel Peace Laureates, including the Dalai Lama."

PeaceJam's mission is to educate and empower youth to take action for peace, inspired by Nobel Peace Laureates. Since its first conference in 1996, hosted by Nobel Peace Laureate Betty Williams at Regis University in Denver, PeaceJam has engaged more than 1.3 million young people across 45 countries.

On this Day of Peace, Denver residents and communities across Colorado are invited to reflect on one action they can take to build greater peace within themselves, their neighborhoods, and the world.

About [PeaceJam Foundation](#)

Founded in Colorado in 1996, the PeaceJam Foundation educates and empowers youth to take action for peace, inspired by Nobel Peace Laureates. Led by 14 Nobel Peace Laureates, PeaceJam is the only global youth organization of its kind, growing a generation of young leaders who believe peace is possible and know how to get it done. PeaceJam's 30th anniversary celebration continues through early 2027, including an upcoming Global Alumni Reunion. Learn more at peacejam.org/30years.

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