Lake Chabot Peace Pole

Building a Culture of Peace, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Sustainability



The Peace Pole movement with the message May Peace Prevail on Earth was started in 1955 by Japanese philosopher Masahisa Goi in response to the devastation of World War II. He believed that if we put our efforts into cultivating inner peace and working together, we could advance peace in the world.

The Peace Pole before you was dedicated in September 2021. It is linked in kindred spirit to the 250,000+ Peace Poles planted worldwide. The Peace Poles express the hopes and dreams of the entire human family for peace on earth.

The International Day of Peace was established in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly. Every year on September 21, the world is exhorted to observe 24 hours of nonviolence and ceasefire; and to celebrate peace by spreading compassion, kindness, and hope.

In 2015 the UN Member States adopted the 17 Sustainable Development Goals as a roadmap to build a peaceful world that is more equitable, inclusive, safe, and sustainable for all peoples. The East Bay Regional Park District is aligned with all the 17 Goals. Our initiatives, programs, and parklands contribute towards physical health and mental wellbeing, clean air and water, wetlands and habitat restoration, environmental education, green transportation, wildfire protection, and economic growth in the East Bay.



The Peace Pole displays some of the languages spoken in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

"May Peace Prevail on Earth"

Chochenyo – Píšen Kítti Káy'e Piretka

Spanish – Que la paz prevalezca en la tierra

Chinese – 祝愿世界和平

"Peace"

American Sign Language – 柳竹柳原

Amharic – ሰላም

سىلام – Arabic

Filipino, Tagalog – Kapayapáan

French – Paix

German – Frieden

Hawaiian – Maluhia

שלום – Hebrew

Hindi, Nepali – शांति

Hmong – Kev tiaj tus

Indonesian, Malay – Kedamaian

Italian – Pace

Japanese - 平和

Nahuatl – yocoxcayotl

صلح – Persian, Farsi

Portuguese – Paz

Punjabi – ਸ਼ਾਂਤੀ

Russian, Ukaranian – Мир

Samoan – Filemū

Swahili – Salamu

Thai – สันติภาพ

Tibetan – ਕ੍ਰਿਸ਼ਤ੍ਰੇ

Tongan – Melino

Vietnamese – Hòa bình

Yoruba – Alaáfía

"True peace is not merely the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



