



**Tariq  
Khamisa**  
FOUNDATION

*The mission of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation is to create safer schools and communities through educating and inspiring children in the restorative principles of accountability, compassion, forgiveness, and peacemaking.*

**You're Invited**  
for a magical evening

**PETER YARROW**  
(of Peter Paul and Mary)

*in a special concert for TKF*

**September 17, 2017 at 5:30pm**  
at the The Unity Center San Diego

Dinner and Refreshments available  
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE TARIQ KHAMISA FOUNDATION



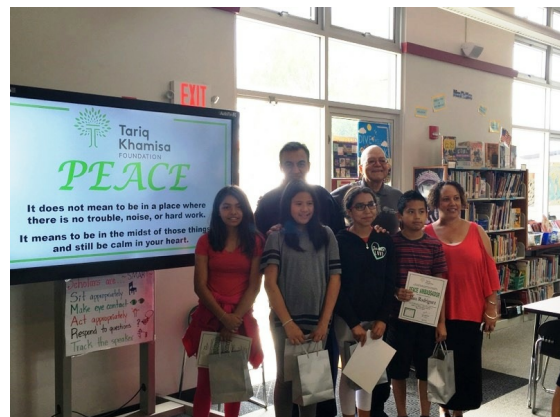
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## *School Year Highlights (2016-2017)*

Last school year, TKF reached 9,000 students through our Peacemaker Assemblies, Restorative Workshops, Peace Education Mentoring Program, and Peace Clubs.

TKF held 29 Peacemaker Assemblies at 15 schools across San Diego County. Our presentations reached 6,000 students

We facilitated the TKF Restorative Workshops in 7 schools. The innovative curriculum was taught to 2,200 6th and 7th



graders, from Sweetwater Union, San Diego Unified, and La Mesa Spring Valley Unified school districts

TKF continued to expand the presence of its student leadership Peace Clubs. In 2017, 140 students participated in 4 school peace clubs.

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## *TKF featured on North County Talks: Young Voices TV*



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## TKF 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

- TKF will be partnering with five school districts across San Diego County, with a plan of reaching over 10,000 students this school year.
- TKF Executive Director, Tasreen Khamisa, and Program Director, Benita Page, will be presenting at two national conferences, the International Institute for Restorative Practices and the Association for Middle Level Education Conference, this fall..
- TKF will be launching a training module for our 10 session Restorative Workshops.
- TKF will also be launching our Peace Clubs online to be readily accessible to schools across the country.

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*"When I first joined TKF I was shy and didn't have many friends but now I'm confident and have lots of friends. The confidence that TKF has helped me built has allowed me*



*to speak my mind and stand up for myself. I will never forget my TKF mentor."*

## Staff Spotlight:

### *Benita Page Program Director*



Benita Page, TKF Program Director, is a hard working professional committed to changing the lives and opportunities of children. Benita has bachelor and master degrees in education and almost 40 years of experience in social services and youth development programming. She is also the proud mother of three and "The Best Grams Ever" to her four young grandchildren.

#### ***What led this amazing woman to the TKF?***

Throughout her career Ms. Page has experienced many challenging situations that have only served to make her wiser and stronger in her desire to be a part of programs that bring hope and transformation to children, especially those considered at-risk. In past jobs, she has faced racism in the classroom, angry men in our prison system, and rejection from established

educational institutions. In 2008, TKF had an opportunity to receive a California awarded, national AmeriCorps grant that could bring a mentoring intervention to the organization. TKF was approved for the grant, but only if Ms. Page was willing to come with it. She came to TKF as a skilled administrator with a resume that highlighted an extensive background in program implementation and organizational development. Other gifts she brought to the organization included her excellent grant writing abilities, experience as a trainer-of-trainers, evaluation knowledge, and abilities to develop compassionate youth services. At TKF, she has found a home deeply rooted in the shared principles of education, empathy, peace, and collaboration. Her passion for the organization and the children we serve shines through whether she is on stage facilitating an assembly, teaching a curriculum session in a classroom, training teachers at a conference, or just staying late to work on a grant.

When Benita is not in the office, which is rare, you can find her outdoors- either in the sanctuary of her calming backyard, walking in her up-and-coming Normal Heights neighborhood, or out in nature camping in the local mountains. The tranquility she finds in these open spaces gives her the peace of mind and ease needed to be rejuvenated and energized in her personal life and her work at TKF.

Benita Page is a confident, passionate leader and an invaluable asset for TKF. She truly believes in the growth potential of the organization and is in the forefront as we focus on future-oriented changes that could expand TKF's peace education programs to a national level.



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