



**Tariq  
Khamisa**  
FOUNDATION

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**LEGENDARY PEACE ACTIVIST TO  
PERFORM BENEFIT CONCERT**

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**BACK-TO-SCHOOL FUNDRAISER  
BENEFITING TARIQ KHAMISA FOUNDATION**

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August 17, 2017 -- San Diego, CA. The legendary Peter Yarrow (of Peter, Paul and Mary) – singer, songwriter and peace activist will be performing a benefit concert at 5:30pm on September 17<sup>th</sup> at San Diego’s Unity Center on behalf of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation’s (TKF) <https://tkf.org/> whose violence prevention efforts on behalf of children align powerfully with the work of Operation Respect, the anti-bullying educational non-profit that Peter co-founded 18 years ago. [www.operationrespect.org](http://www.operationrespect.org)

“In a world where we are surrounded by a culture of ever- intensifying emotional and physical violence, we must give children the tools to build a more caring, kind, and peaceful world from their earliest of ages. That is the road to reversing the current shift to greater polarization, fear and hatred in America and TKF is a national leader in this crucial work.”

Yarrow is donating this performance on behalf of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation’s (TKF) Safe School Model programs that teaches children reflective and healing problem solving skills that help build strong, caring, communities and allow children to grow up to be positive, constructive, members of society. Due to Yarrow’s generosity, 100% of the event proceeds will benefit TKF.

TKF's mission, as is that of Peter's non-profit, Operation Respect, is to create safer and more peaceful schools and communities. TKF's vision is "a world free from youth violence." It serves over 10,000 students each year through the following programs: Peacemaker Assemblies; Restorative Practice Workshops; Peace Clubs; and Peace Educator Mentoring— all provided on school campuses across San Diego County.

**WHAT:** Back-to-School Fundraiser Benefiting Tariq Khamisa Foundation by Peter Yarrow (of Peter, Paul and Mary)

**DAY/DATE:** Sunday, September 17, 2017 – 5:30 pm-8:30 pm

**WHERE:** The Unity Center, 8999 Activity Road, San Diego, CA 92126. Free and plentiful parking.

**PROGRAM:**

5:30-6:30pm: Registration and Social Hour

6:30-6:45pm Welcome and Remarks – Azim Khamisa and Ples Felix, TKF Co-Founders

6:45-8:00 pm: Peter Yarrow in Concert

8-8:30 pm: Private VIP Meet and Greet with Peter Yarrow for Preferred Seating Level ticket buyers who will have their photo taken with Peter Yarrow and receive an autographed copy of his "Puff, the Magic Dragon" illustrated children's book & CD.

**TICKETS:** can be purchased online at [TKF.org](http://TKF.org) – see September Events.

**MEDIA INTERVIEWS:** TKF can arrange media interviews prior to, and at the event.

**ABOUT THE TARIQ KHAMISA FOUNDATION (TKF):** Established in 1995, the Tariq Khamisa Foundation (TKF) is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization that was founded after 20-year-old college student, Tariq Khamisa, was killed during a robbery by 14-year-old gang member, Tony Hicks. Moved by profound loss on both sides of this tragedy, the families involved united in a spirit of healing and forgiveness, and with the goal to end youth violence. TKF's innovative services have successfully connected with over 500,000 San Diego County youth over the last 20+ years. TKF relies on the generosity of the community to not only maintain, but to grow its programs, which are needed more than ever before.

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