World-Changing Kids Kindness Petition

What is a Petition?

A petition is a document you create to ask someone in power to do something or to stop doing something. You then get signatures of all the people in your community who agree with this request.

For example, if you want the City to replace the play structure at your park, you could write a petition asking for this. If you then got signatures from 200 families in your neighbourhood, the people in charge of parks for the City would see that this was an important issue to a lot of families and they would start working on this.

We have written this petition because we want to send a message that the children of Ontario believe that everyone is welcome in our community. We want to send this message as a response to the recent hateful messages that some religious institutions in Ottawa received spray painted on their buildings in November 2016. The people who received this hate are our neighbours. They might be feeling a bit afraid and alone after reading the terrible words. We want them to know that they are not alone, that they are part of our community and that we love them. We want to show the world that we will not stand for this hate – instead, we will stand together in love and kindness.

If you agree with our message, then we would love for you to sign this petition.

Where Does a Petition Go Once It Is Signed?

This petition will be read by a Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) in the Legislature of Queen Park in Toronto, Ontario. Petitions are read in the first 15 minutes of the Legislature. They are then placed into Hansard, which means that there is a typed record of every word said and this record will be kept forever. You can search for any records of anything said in Legislature from 1977 until now on the Legislative Assembly of Ontario website at www.ontla.on.ca.

We will also be able to receive a video of the MPP reading our petition so that we can see that we have performed an amazing Act of Kindness that will change the world.

Instructions for Signing

Please have interested children sign the petition. If it is an entire classroom or grade signing the petition, you may put the address of the school instead of a personal address. Please have each child attempt a signature or simply put their initials in the signature column. When you have all the signatures, please mail the petition to John Fraser, Member of Provincial Parliament's office at the following address:

Office of John Fraser MPP Ottawa South 1828 Bank St. Ottawa ON K1V 7Y6

Contact Us

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or comments about this. You can send us an email at worldchangingkids@gmail.com or send us a note on Facebook at www.facebook.com/worldchangingkids - we would love to see some photos of kids signing the petition!