



# PEACE IN OUR CITIES CAMPAIGN

## PEACE IN OUR CITIES SDG16+ ACTION PLEDGE

We have the tools, evidence, and knowledge to reduce and prevent violence. Yet, global levels of violence are on trend to increase by at least 10% by 2030.

Cities are on the frontlines of the fight to reduce global violence. Already, cities constitute half of the world’s population. They are expected to absorb nearly all new population growth and much of the increase in violence in the coming decades.

Cities hold vast potential. The concentration of people offers opportunities for innovation, collaboration, and growth. This concentration can also facilitate violence, requiring localized, evidence-oriented, and community-owned strategies.

**I pledge to take accelerated actions to reduce violence and build peace. I pledge to lead global momentum towards reducing levels of violence, and to help shape a city-to-city collaboration framework to develop and drive global best practice in support of Sustainable Development Goal 16.1 – significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates and the broader SDG16+ agenda.**

Signed Keith Porter

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