

FFWPU UK: Creating A Peace Garden In Small Heath, Birmingham, England

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Working in partnership with the Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust, we want to make a beautiful Peace Garden for all to enjoy in their EcoPark in Small Heath, one of the most deprived areas of Birmingham. An 'oasis in the desert'.

We will bring young adults (17 years to late 20's) together - 12 young men and 12 young women - across race, culture and faith, to create the Peace Garden and, in the process, help them to build friendships with one another. They will learn more about nature and the environment, feel good about serving the local community, and receive some education and training as well. We hope that some of the young people who take part will want to organise a similar service project afterwards, back in their own community.

The Peace Garden will be for families, school groups, refugees, faith communities, etc. to enjoy and will be a place where meditation, art, yoga, storytelling and counselling can be held. The Peace Garden, and the whole EcoPark, will continue to help to improve peoples' physical and mental well-being.

