

## LOVE OUTREACH INTERNATIONAL

Date established	September 1997
Date and type of registration	September – Friendly societies – Act #644
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Number of active members	40
Number of paid staff	-
Number of regular volunteers	20
Estimated annual budget	-
Main sources of funding	1. members 2. Supportive friends 3. Carter Center
Geographic scope of activity	Generally: the whole of Guyana Specific: Region 3

### Mission or primary goal of your organization:

*To provide a future where the commonality among the three main religions in Guyana, united by belief in one common creator, brings ethnic harmony, peace and love and stronger traditional Guyanese morals among youths particularly, both in Guyana and the world*

### Main subject areas of activity or programmes

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| x Education/training   | x Human rights      |
| x Student/youth issues | x Violence          |
| x Advocacy             | x Poverty reduction |

### Major projects in last two years, including current projects

<b>Project #1 Name/Goal</b>	<b><u>Sensitising the West Demerara Community of the need of a greater degree of social awareness and socio-economic development.</u></b>
<b>Start date</b>	-
<b>End date</b>	-
<b><u>Main activities</u></b>	
	Cultural Activities
	Exhibitions depicting solidarity and togetherness
	Lectures and talks
	Television showings, radio and press releases
	Distribution of reading material
<b>Main source(s) of funding</b>	The Carter Center
<b>Project theme or sector</b>	Democracy & Governance
<b>Project partners</b>	West Bank Demerara Peace Council, The Regional Education District and Schools on the West Bank

**Geographic scope**  
**Results of Project**

Demerara, The Youth Department of Ministry of Youth Sports & Culture, Region 3, St Stanislaus College Region 3

This project was successful in its endeavour to sensitise the target areas of the need for an upgraded consciousness relative to tolerance to values, attitudes and morals.

**Project #2 Name/Goal**

**Ethnic Relations Project**

To address the ethnic / race imbalance existing particularly between the Afro and Indo Guyanese.

**Start date**

Jan. 2003

**End date**

October 2003

**Main activities**

1. Cultural activities at various schools along West Bank Demerara
2. Youth seminars
3. Talks to pupils and teachers of schools in the West Bank Demerara
4. Getting the various religious sectors to address the issue at their worship sessions
5. Establish the Region 3 Race / Ethnic Committee
6. Inter-Religious church services
7. Exhibition
8. Television Programmes
9. Training and workshops in Youth leadership.

**Main source(s) of funding**

The Carter Center

**Project theme or sector**

Democracy & Governance

**Project partners**

See Project Partners as above

**Geographic scope**

Region 3

**Results of Project**

*The aimed awareness has been positive and is indicative of the enormity of the “mind set” challenges present.*

*The Region 3 Race/Ethnic Relations Committee was established. This body is working towards formal integration with The National Race/Ethnic Commission.*

## **Major projects planned for at least next two years**

**Project #1 Name/Goal**

**Mobilise members in Region 4 and Region 10 to form their own branches**

**Start date**

March 2004

**End date**

December 2004

**Main activities**

Communication with interested NGOs, Religious Organisations and Schools in Regions 4 and 10. Seminars and workshops at strategic locations. Formation of groups.

**Main source(s) of funding**

Own efforts, grants

**Project theme or sector**

**Project partners**

Friends of Peace Pilgrim Reg. 4, Min. of Education – Reg. 4, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Club in Reg. 10

**Geographic scope** Region 4 & 10  
**Results of Project**

**Project #2 Name/Goal** **Fundraising**  
**Start date** March 2004  
**End date** December 2005

**Main activities**

1. Take home lunch
2. Bar-B-Que and lime
3. Raffle / Fair
4. Corn House
5. Pledges
6. Sale of relevant reading material
7. Cultural Events

**Main source(s) of funding** Own efforts, expected funding from external agencies.  
**Geographic scope** Region 3  
**Results of Project** Raise 10% of project financial needs.

## **Networking**

What other NGOs would you like to share information with or collaborate with in your activities?

21<sup>st</sup> Century Group, Linden  
Ankerville Community Group, Corentyne