

2017-2018 Impact Report

Universal Human Rights Initiative (UHRI) works in partnership with the United Nations (OHCHR and DPI), academic institutions and other non-profits, leveraging **technology** to extend the reach of human rights information and maximizing its impact through **face-to-face dialogue**.

Achieving Human Rights and Social Justice begins with Education

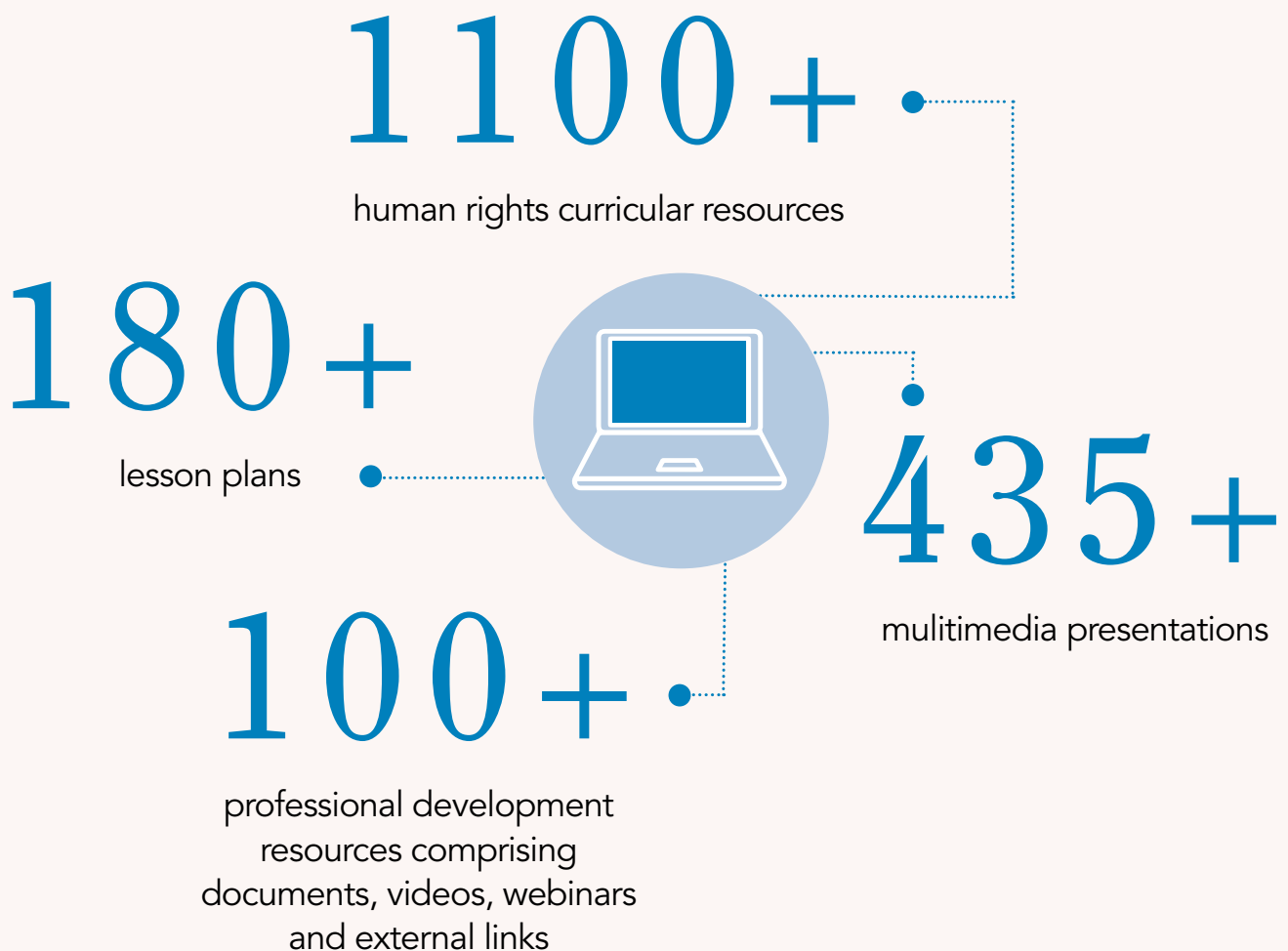
People cannot defend their rights, or the rights of others, if they don't know what those rights are. Intergroup dialogue is critical to ensuring that the recipients of this information are empowered to use it in pursuit of social justice.



Human Rights Education (HRE) Web Portal

The Human Rights Education (HRE) Web Portal is a free, online teacher resource, providing the foundation of a comprehensive program of **human rights education for students of all levels.**

Quite possibly the largest online collection of HRE resources, the Portal provides access to a vast collection of carefully selected human rights curriculum, classroom projects, opportunities for service-learning and professional development resources. The curriculum can be searched, filtered and sorted, making it easy for educators to select materials that are relevant and appropriate for their students. It is currently in testing with Los Angeles and Santa Monica Malibu Unified School districts



UDHR Audio Project

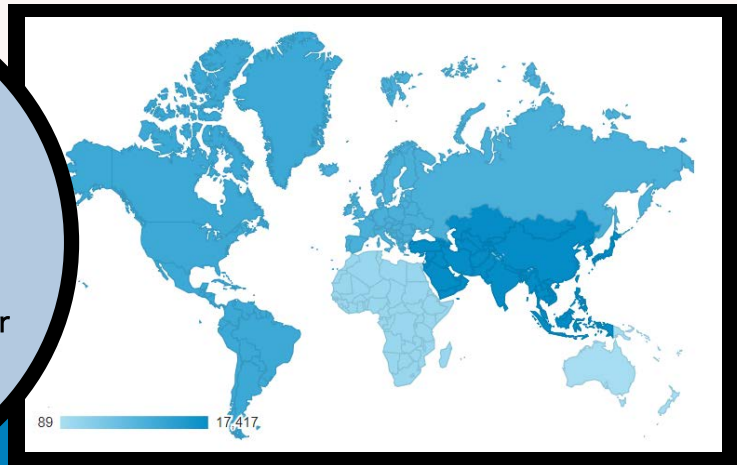
Working in partnership with the United Nations and other organizations, this project is recording native speakers reading the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) in all of its 500+ translations.

Once a recording is made, it's integrated into our UDHR App and links are sent to schools and human rights NGOs where that language is spoken. The UDHR App has been viewed in over 199 countries by speakers of 195+ languages. In addition to presenting the UDHR in a more compelling way, the UDHR App makes the UDHR accessible to the hundreds of millions of people who are illiterate or visually impaired.

94 translations of the UDHR have been recorded, from the most widely spoken languages, to endangered languages spoken by less than 1,000 speakers

Native speakers from all over the world have volunteered their time and expertise to record the UDHR, and many sound studios have donated studio-time free of charge.

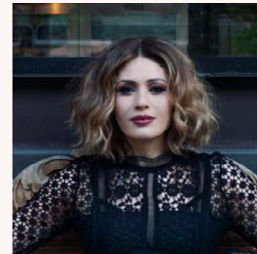
The UDHR Web App has been **viewed by tens of thousands of individuals**, speakers of **over 199 languages** in **over 195 countries**



A demographic analysis of the UDHR Web App indicates that its audience is nearly split between men and women, with **people under the age of 44 making up nearly 80% of visitors**

There is a close correlation between countries where the UDHR Web App is being viewed the most and places experiencing human rights crises (e.g., Philippines, Brazil, and India)

UDHR Project Participants

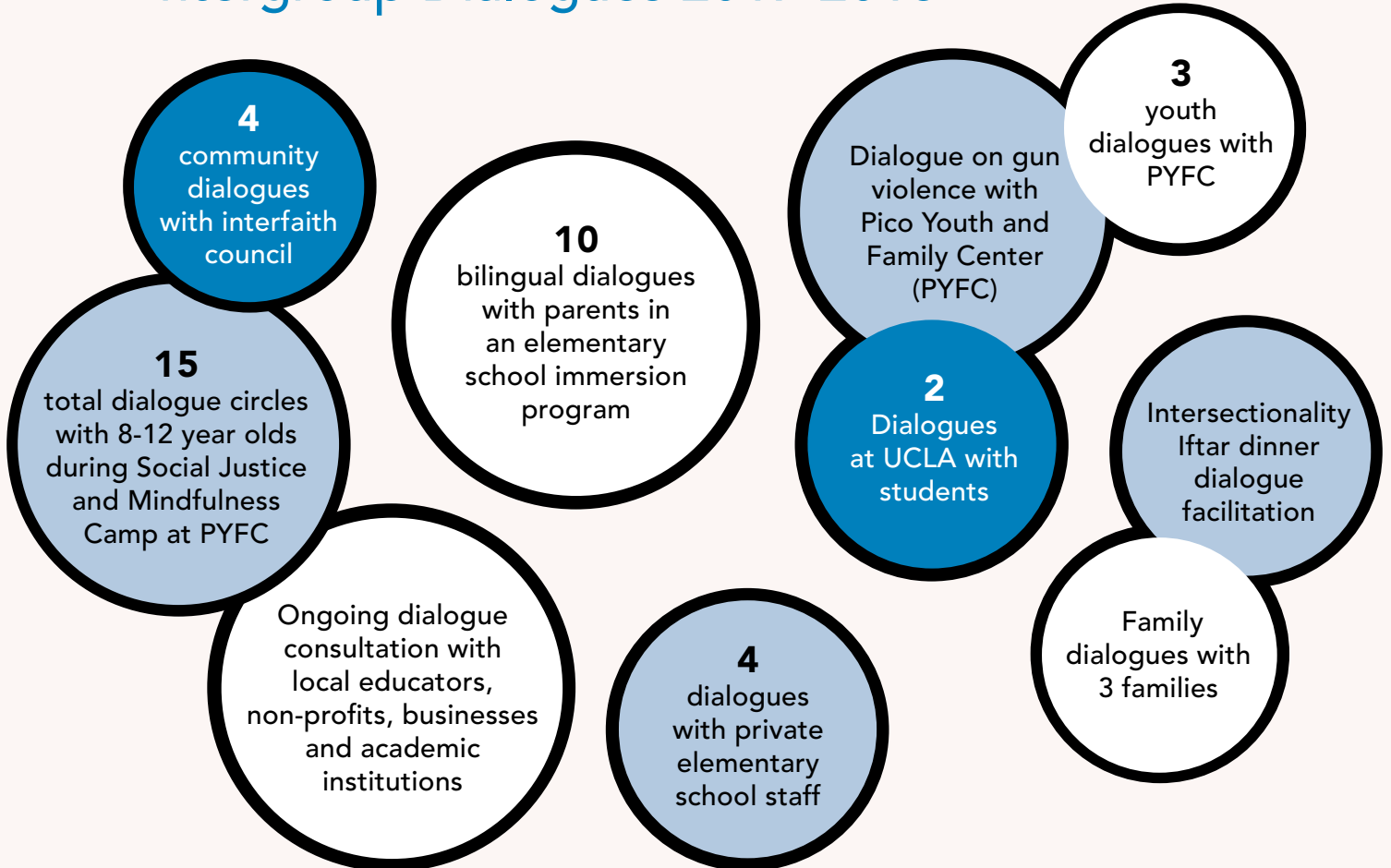


Facilitated Dialogue

Community IDEA, a program of the Universal Human Rights Initiative (UHRI), works to bridge communities through facilitated intergroup dialogues that promote engagement AND action. We believe that communities thrive when they come together through critical and reflective processes in order to learn from their shared and diverse experiences.



Intergroup Dialogues 2017-2018



Partnerships Confirmed Or In Process

Confirmed

UN Department of Public Information (DPI) | UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) | International Organization for Migration (IOM) | Human Rights Education USA (HRE USA) | University of Essex Human Rights Centre | UCLA Graduate School of Education | Reed College Linguistics Department | Partnership for Los Angeles Schools | Arts for Incarcerated Youth | Living Tongues | Free the Slaves | Tumblr | Localingual | LibriVox | Unicode.ORG | Wikitongues | Global Voices | Iniciativa Social Blanco y Negro | Association Paroles d’Afrique | internationales literaturefestival berlin | Omniglot | Glosbe | Main & Rose | The New Zealand Human Rights Commission

Pending (As of 12/2018)

MOU with LAUSD | MOU with SMMUSD | Partnership for LA Schools | UCLA Center X | Amnesty International | Pico Youth and Family Center

Presentations

United Nations, DPI | California Council of History and Social | Studies Conference in San Diego | LAUSD History/Social Studies Working Group | SMMUSD Social Justice Cohorts | LAUSD Human Relations Council | Partnership for LA Schools’ 3rd Biennial Restorative



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Sharing this “brave space” with others connected me more to my community. It helped me empathize more with others who hold different perspectives. It made discussing issues of power and privilege less daunting.”

— from a dialogue participant

THANK YOU for making all
of this happen!

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