The Center for African Peace and Conflict Resolution (CAPCR) was established to provide conflict resolution and reconciliation services for agencies, governments, organizations, businesses communities and groups through training, education, research, and intervention.

OBJECTIVES

CAPCR's goal is to develop and provide training on mediation, negotiation, arbitration, and other conflict resolution services for institutions, community agencies, governments, and related professional groups (in US/Africa).

GOALS

- Develop and implement programs that educate and promote peace & conciliation among African families, organizations, community groups, and governments, both in the US, and Africa
- Conduct research and evaluations on African conflict situations, and serve as a clearinghouse/resource center
- Establish institutional and community network of support in the US/Africa on conflict resolution and assist in creation of indigenous conflict resolution institutes in Africa
- Assist in mediation/arbitration/resolution of conflicts among Africans, when possible and with consent of disputing parties
- Create an agenda for economic-political empowerment in 21st century with African/African American Organizations in the U.S.

MILESTONES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Programs in West Africa on Alternative Dispute Resolution (Nigeria, Ghana, Senegal, Liberia)
- Advanced Conflict Resolution Workshops on Early Conflict Warning & Implementation of a Peace Accordance
- Assessing the Feasibility for ADR and Court Case Management studies in Ghana
- An Inter-ethnic Ethnic/Religious Conflict Resolution seminar in Nigeria
- An annual international conference on Africa on various conflict resolution and peace themes at Sacramento State
- The Africa-US Youth Peace & Cultural Education Program (on-going)
- Annual summer institute/workshop on Conflict Resolution at Sacramento State
- Annual Africa Peace Awards
- Africa/U.S. Peace Studies Exchange of students, scholars, professionals, policy makers and community leaders
- Development of culturally relevant training videos and case simulations
- The Youth Mentoring Program in Sacramento inner-city communities and schools
- Production of various educational videos
- The Visiting Scholars and Dignitaries program
- Partnerships with numerous non-governmental organizations in Africa
- Sponsored Publications
- Conflict Resolution and Peace Education in Africa (2002)
- Alternative Dispute Resolution training manuals
- Making Peace, the CAPCR newsletter (biannual)

Since CAPCR's founding in 1996, we have developed independently, and in conjunction with other agencies, a number of initiatives. We work with the U.S. State Department and Department of Education, the U.S. Institute of Peace, the U.S. AID, the California Wellness Foundation, the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies in Lagos, the
Nigerian Human Rights Commission, the University of Ghana in Legion, the Ghana Bar Association and Ministry of Justice, the University of Liberia in Monrovia, and the University of Dakar in Senegal.

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