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**GROUP WORKSHOPS & FACILITATOR TRAININGS:
PACIFIC SCIENCE CENTER EXHIBIT *RACE: ARE WE SO DIFFERENT?***

Group Workshops (Pre- and Post-exhibit)

Pacific Science Center and the City of Seattle Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI) are recruiting groups of all kinds and sizes in King, Snohomish and Pierce Counties to participate in free group workshops about the exhibit *RACE: Are We So Different?* (www.understandingrace.org). Running September 28, 2013 – January 5, 2014 at Pacific Science Center, this nationally-touring exhibit raises profound questions about the U.S. concept of race. The exhibit opens the door for visitors to explore how racism has shaped us as a nation and why we need to work to end deeply rooted racial inequities in order to achieve a truly just and equitable society.

Businesses, non-profits, PTSAs, faith-based organizations, neighborhood associations, youth groups and other groups from the community are invited to participate in pre- and post-exhibit workshops.

These experiences are designed for groups to use the exhibit to expand and apply their understanding of racial equity in their own communities. RSJI staff and our trained facilitators will work with your group to tailor the workshop experience to your particular needs and goals. All groups will be provided with resources and next steps to make on-going commitments to work to end racial inequity.

Each Group Workshop includes two sessions:

- A **1-hour and 15-minute pre-exhibit session** to learn more about what you will see. How do you define race? How many races are there? Where do our ideas about race come from? How has race affected our lives?
- A **2-hour post-exhibit session** to reflect on the exhibit and explore the reality of race in our own groups and communities. Which parts of the exhibit impacted you most? What do we know about the impact of race in education, health and criminal justice in the Seattle area? How can we take action to achieve racial equity in our groups and communities?

Group Workshops are free to groups who experience the exhibit. Pacific Science Center is committed to making the *RACE* exhibit experience affordable for everyone who would like to engage with it. Discounted group admission rates are available to all groups of 10 or more who make advanced reservations. If you are concerned that your workshop group will not be able to cover the cost of admission, please contact Diana Falchuk at the Race and Social Justice Initiative to discuss ways that we can make your group's participation possible: diana.falchuk@seattle.gov or (206) 684-5282.

You can learn more about Group Workshops on the RSJI and PSC websites. Online group registration will open in early September. In the meantime, if you would like to sign-up for a group workshop or have any questions about how your group can participate in this free opportunity, please contact RSJI Outreach Specialist Diana Falchuk: diana.falchuk@seattle.gov or (206) 684-5282.

Facilitator Trainings

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Volunteer facilitators will lead pre- and post-exhibit workshop sessions for groups of all kinds and sizes, including businesses, non-profits, PTSAs, faith-based organizations, neighborhood associations, youth groups and other groups from the community. In order to become a Group Workshop facilitator, volunteers need to complete a free, one-day training. Three trainings in Seattle and one training in Redmond are now full; additional trainings are being organized for Federal Way and Snohomish County for volunteers who live and/or work in the communities of South King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties.

As a volunteer facilitator, you will be trained to engage people using interactive learning activities, provide more information, answer people's questions and encourage people to take action for racial equity in their own communities.

Once you complete a RACE exhibit facilitators training, you will be scheduled to co-facilitate pre- and post-exhibit workshop sessions. As a volunteer facilitator, you will be able to facilitate workshops with a group you are already part of, or you can be assigned a group that does not have facilitators.

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To become a volunteer facilitator, you must:

1. Complete the online registration form: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PSCRACetrainings>
2. Attend one, day-long facilitator training. You will be able to select your training date at the end of the registration form.
3. Have had some training on racial equity.
4. Be able to co-facilitate at least two workshops, each of which includes a one-hour pre-exhibit session and a two-hour post-exhibit session, between late-September 2013 and mid-January 2014. We will be matching facilitators and groups according to their availability and other needs. Some pre- and post-sessions will happen at Pacific Science Center on the same day as a group goes through the exhibit, and others will happen on different days and/or at a location of the group's choosing. There will also be some self-scheduled prep time for you and your co-facilitator.

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