

Regional Bahá'í Council of the Atlantic States

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Call to Action – Urgent Need for Homefront Pioneers

Dearly loved brothers and sisters,

We are so excited to hear of a number of campaigns throughout our region involving high school and college age youth and their accompaniers. Our hard-working Regional Training Institute has provided a framework called “Summer of Service” to allow youth to engage the Institute process intensively and apply their new learning in the field of service in numerous clusters. With blessings from the Concourse on High, this sacrificial effort is sure to swell the available human resources necessary to win the goals of the Five Year Plan.

We last wrote you on March 31 of this year, encouraging every single lover of Baha’u’llah to join in the work of the Five Year Plan and to arise in an unprecedented and unified effort to address “the world’s desperate condition”. As we mentioned in that letter, there are numerous ways to arise and offer your time and effort to Baha’u’llah. However, a critical need of this Plan calls for your particular attention: Homefront Pioneering.

In response to our last letter, one heroic soul has arisen very recently and relocated to the Rocky Mount Cluster of North Carolina. He has begun his service with a period of spiritual preparation, immersed in prayer and Writings, and in consultation with regional institutions and other servants of the cluster. Soon, he will join in the cluster’s initial efforts to reach out to the local population, having many conversations with youth and other receptive souls, and inviting them to engage in the institute process as a means to building a vibrant community – one which can act as a beacon of hope for more and more residents over time. Dear friends: If we are to win the goals of the Plan for our beloved Universal House of Justice, the sacrificial act of arising in this way must be repeated in the Atlantic Region at least 17 more times.

With careful preparation, we are attaching a list of all current Homefront Pioneering Goals for our region, as well as a map of their locations for your consideration. We have also compiled comprehensive demographics for each of these goal clusters (including information on schools, colleges, industries, and the like), and these can be made available once you apply or express interest in pioneering. Moreover, as mentioned in our previous letter, financial assistance is available to support this service, if necessary. Even so, what is most important is the act of arising itself.

Should you desire to explore this critical field of service, we invite you to apply via this link:

<https://rbcatlanticlogisticscoordinator.wufoo.com/forms/homefront-pioneer-mobile-resource/>

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You may also feel free to contact the Council Secretariat by email at secretariat@rbcatlantic.org or by phone at (919) 914-0156; or you may reach out to your Auxiliary Board Member directly for consultation. Additionally, members of the Council and/or the Homefront Pioneer Resource Team may be visiting your community soon. This will provide yet another opportunity for you to explore this field of service.

Dear friends: We, the believers in the Atlantic Region, have pledged to the Universal House of Justice to raise a total of 72 clusters to an intensive program of growth. As the House of Justice writes, "A continuing flow of homefront pioneers will contribute significantly to this monumental goal". In the assessment of the Regional Council and the Auxiliary Board Members, a minimum of 17 clusters must receive homefront pioneers. We will regularly keep you informed of our collective progress in meeting this audacious goal.

With great love, hope and anticipation,

REGIONAL BAHÁ'Í COUNCIL OF THE ATLANTIC STATES

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