

About The Community Peacebuilding and Cultural Sustainability (CPCS) Initiative

The Community Peacebuilding and Cultural Sustainability (CPCS) Initiative provides research for critical challenge alerts, and support for collaborative problem solving initiatives which seek to maximize citizen participation.

Stefan Pasti is the Resource Coordinator for The CPCS Initiative, and currently the sole organizational person.

Stefan Pasti has been actively involved in peacebuilding and community revitalization work for over 30 years— as a writer (in a variety of genres, including short novel and short story); an editor (newsletters, quotation collections); an advocate of ecologically sustainable communities; a practitioner of voluntary simplicity; and, from 2001-2013, as founder and outreach coordinator for The Interfaith Peacebuilding and Community Revitalization (IPCR) Initiative [currently with a “homebase” at <http://cpcsc.info/the-ipcr-initiative/>].

In May, 2013, Mr. Pasti consolidated 4 websites—The Interfaith Peacebuilding and Community Revitalization (IPCR) Initiative, Community Visioning Initiatives Clearinghouse, Community Teaching and Learning Centers Clearinghouse, and his Collected Writings website—and the common thread running through the result was Community Peacebuilding and Cultural Sustainability.

Although Mr. Pasti does not have traditional credentials or professional experience, he has a “trained eye”, and a well seasoned intuitive “feel”, for analyzing complex information regarding challenges of our times, identifying pathways for solution-oriented activity to flow, synthesizing such information into understandable parts, and organizing those parts into a well organized document (much like the work which would need to be done to sort through participant input during a Community Visioning Initiative).

In October-November, 2013, Mr. Pasti wrote and compiled a summary statement document titled [“Invitation Package for Possible Board of Advisors”](#) (589 pages; 3.65MB). The “Invitation Package...” is a compilation of observations from a wide range of vantage points, which provides both a “big picture” assessment of the critical point we are at, and more than enough evidence that we have the resources to overcome the challenges of our times. Mr. Pasti also created many supporting documents for the “Invitation Package”, including a [20 page introduction](#), and a [27 page “long version Table of Contents”](#)—both of which can be used as an “Executive Summary”. Shorter supporting documents include [“A List of Ten Critical Challenges”](#) (1 page), and [“The Potential of Community Visioning Initiatives \(in 500 words\)”](#). The “Invitation Package...” document, and related supporting documents, are accessible at <http://cpcsc.info/invitation-package/>

Beginning in December, 2013, The CPCS Initiative launched a new and comprehensive campaign called “Tipping Point Action: Citizen Participation in Times of Unprecedented Challenges” (information and supporting documents at <http://cpcsc.info/tipping-point-action/>). (see “Press Kit”)

The primary goal of the Tipping Point Action Campaign is to encourage citizens from every variety of circumstances to help create, become involved, contribute to, and participate in one or more of the thousands of Community Visioning Initiatives (or similar stakeholder engagement/collaborative problem solving processes designed to maximize citizen participation) which will be needed to exponentially accelerate solution-oriented activity at this critical time.