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Your Support Fuels Compassion Around the World

Dear Charter Members,

When Chris Anderson awarded the first TED monetary prize to Karen Armstrong and the Charter for Compassion at the Washington Press Club, he declared it the "best idea the world had seen in a long time." Shortly thereafter, the Dalai Lama praised the Compassionate Cities movement initiated by the Charter, calling it essential for our interconnected world. Since then, the Charter has continued to inspire and transform lives

globally, fueled by the power of compassion and the generosity of supporters like you.

As we reflect on this year's accomplishments, we're reminded that the true impact of the Charter isn't measured in accolades or awards but in the real, tangible change happening in compassionate communities across the globe...

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Gifting Through the Charter: Unique and Meaningful Holiday Gifts

This holiday season, celebrate compassion and connection with gifts that inspire and uplift. As we approach three significant holidays—**Hanukkah** (December 8-16, 2024), **Christmas** (December 25, 2024), and **Kwanzaa** (December 26, 2024 – January 1, 2025)—the Charter for Compassion Store has curated a selection of thoughtful offerings for your friends, family, and colleagues.

Explore our special holiday gifts, including:

- **The Spirit of Ubuntu:** Give the gift of this multi-award-winning documentary launching in 2025, a profound exploration of compassion and interconnectedness.
- **Wisdom Tales from Africa:** Enhance the Ubuntu experience by pairing the film with this beautifully illustrated book, available in hardcover or softcover, bringing African folklore to life.
- **The Essence of Compassion and The Science of Compassion:** Share the gift of learning with our newly revised online courses. Recipients will receive a course link, and upon completion, a certificate of achievement to commemorate their journey.

Browse these and many other thoughtful gifts in the Charter for Compassion Store. Each purchase supports our mission of fostering compassion and building a more connected world.

Together, let's give gifts that reflect the spirit of compassion. Thank you for supporting the Charter and spreading kindness this holiday season!

Click/tap the image above or the button below to explore our offerings and make this holiday season one of giving and meaning.

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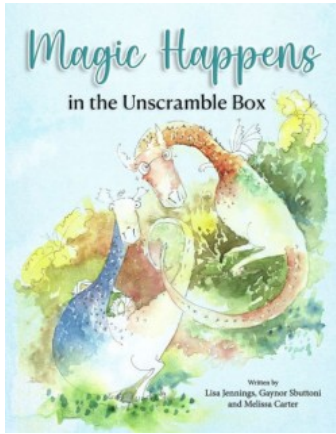


Kitchen Table Chat with the Health Sector

**Friday, December 6 at 8.30am PT /
11.30am ET / 4.30pm GMT / 10pm IST**

Every First Friday of Every Month the Health sector invites everyone to join and share what's happening with friends in our work to elevate compassion in Health.

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Global Read for Kids+Co: Magic Happens in the Unscramble Box by Lisa Jennings, Gaynor Sbuttoni, and Melissa Carter

Saturday, December 7 at 9.30am PT / 12.30pm ET / 5.30pm GMT / 11pm IST

As the first book in this enchanting new series, "Magic Happens in the Unscramble Box" tells the tale of two lovable dragons, called Bella and Bean, who fly off the pages and into the minds and hearts of children and adults alike.

In a time when children struggle with feelings of anger, sadness, and frustration, this story offers a whole box of tools, which children can make their own, to help ease their feelings and manage better. Every reader will learn how to become resourceful and mindful.

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Allies in Action: UK CHAT

Tuesday, December 10 at 4pm GMT / 8am PT

This is an invitation to everyone in the United Kingdom - that's all partners, community and city leaders, as well as individuals - to come and have a chat with us, update on what the Charter is doing; what you are doing, and we'll share all the new projects we have initiated this year to help you extend compassion in your communities

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Harmony Of Humanity: Exploring Common Ground Through Music with Marilyn Turkovich

**Every Wednesday (Dec 11, 18), at 8am PT /
11pm ET / 4pm GMT / 9.30pm IST**

Music has been an integral part of every culture throughout history, reflecting the unique characteristics and traditions of different societies. From the rhythmic beats of African drums to the intricate melodies of Indian ragas, music provides insight into the lives, histories, and identities of people around the world. By studying various musical traditions, we gain a deeper appreciation for the diversity and richness of global cultures.

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Social Justice Partner & Sector Meeting

**Friday, December 13 at 8am PDT / 11am
EST / 4pm GMT / 9.30pm IST**

We are excited to invite you to an important meeting aimed at convening our partners and sharing current and upcoming initiatives from the Charter for Compassion and the Social Justice Sector.

Your presence and input would be greatly appreciated as we chart the way forward together.

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EdNet Forum: "Compassion in Action" with Andrea Monsanto from Prosocial

Thursday, December 19 at 7.30am PT / 10.30am ET / 3.30pm GMT / 9pm IST

The "Inspire, Compassion in Action" project exemplifies how educational interventions can cultivate collaboration, compassion, and psychological flexibility while providing valuable service to under-resourced communities. The fact that college students played a key role in designing and delivering experiential learning activities for different groups—parents, teachers, and children—demonstrates the power of active teaching in fostering deeper learning and internalization of social-emotional skills.

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From our Partners



Alignment's Calendar of Light

Join people around the world who are centering their day in a practice of peace. As we engage in the ongoing work of seeking peace in a world ravaged by war, pain, and loss, we look to the wisdom of our world's traditions. Each door offers a short daily practice of peace and light from a different tradition.

This is a collaboration in which all traditions are honored, all prayers uplifted, in the hope that this will pave the path to greater peace among all the peoples and nations of this world. And in finding this intersection, there may we find the road to justice.

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If you are a Partner organization, or belong to a registered Compassionate City/Community with us, and want to promote your events in The Spark, the Charter for Compassion's newsletter, email contact@charterforcompassion.org



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Dec 12. - Lunice StFort with New Partner organization [Camp Perrin Project](#) in Haiti.

Dec. 19 - Mugala Dervile with New Partner organization [UJUZU Go-Creation Hub](#) in Uganda.

If you'd like to be featured in the LIVE show, email felipe@charterforcompassion.org



Featured items on the Store



Compassion Hoodie

US\$44

Everyone needs a cozy go-to hoodie to curl up in, so go for one that's soft, smooth, and stylish. It's the perfect choice for cooler evenings, especially when it has compassion all over!

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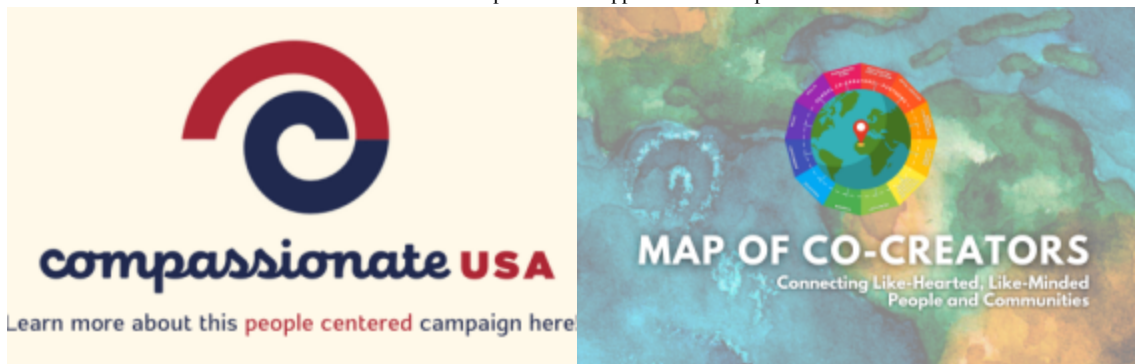


Infinity Logo Cuffed Beanie

US\$28

A snug, form-fitting beanie with the infinity sign. It's not only a great head-warming piece but a staple accessory in anyone's wardrobe.

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