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## Press Release

### Community Group to Promote Unity Receives Nonprofit Status

The Tri-State Unity Coalition (TSUC) was granted nonprofit status (501c3) by the IRS. The TSUC is committed to promoting and enhancing inter-group understanding, cultural awareness and respect for differences within the tri-state area including Pike (PA), Orange (NY) and Sussex (NJ) counties. Our organization was formed as a response to the anti-Semitic statements sprayed on the Old Milford Inn in Milford, PA in August, 2000. Since then we have served the community through education, response and outreach. Much of what we have done has been on a relatively small scale but has contributed to fostering an environment in which everyone can live in harmony and unity. TSUC has held rallies, meetings, "Stop the Hate" presentations and other events promoting unity and harmony. TSUC believes that all people have the right to live free of harassment and discrimination. Our primary function is to serve as a resource for survivors of discrimination and bias crimes in the greater tri-state area. We are seeking more members and volunteers to expand our services. Our business meetings are held at 7pm on the second Tuesday of the month at the United Methodist Church in Milford. Tri-State Unity Coalition, P.O. Box 752, Milford, PA 18337. On the web at <http://www.veneziale.net/~tristateunity> and by email at [tristateunity@veneziale.net](mailto:tristateunity@veneziale.net).

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Tri-State Unity Coalition Mission Statement

Because we believe in the inherent worth and dignity of every individual, the innate equality of all people and the right of each person to live free of harassment or discrimination, we the Tri-State Unity Coalition take a stand for the establishment of a community in which harmony and justice thrive. We seek to achieve such a community by promoting respect for difference and by repudiating words and acts of hatred, intimidation and violence perpetrated by individuals or groups against others.

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Promoting Human Rights  
Creating a Moral Barrier to Hate  
Enhancing Community Harmony**