

# Join us at the White House and Make History!

**Hindu American Seva Charities (HASC)** is sponsoring a two-day event aimed at increasing Seva (service) and visibility across America. This event will include a briefing by the White House Office of Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships.



# Essay Contest Specifics

## Essay Questions

1. What role does your dharma\*(religion/faith/spirituality) play in civic engagement, social justice and development issues? (Maximum 500 words)
2. How do you propose to establish and expand seva (service) on campus, places of worship, yoga centers, in towns, cities, or rural areas (for example through "seva centers" or virtual hubs?) What other ways will you grow the faith and /or interfaith seva (service) movement? (Maximum 1000 words)
3. What is the change you want to see in yourself and in your communities by doing selfless service? (Maximum 500 words)

*"Dharma(ic) is defined as one's obligation or duty to serve" The idea of dharma as duty or propriety implies there is a natural order and that justice, social harmony and human happiness are part of the balance.*

### Contestant Categories

1. High School
2. Undergraduate
3. Graduate/ Young Professionals
4. Senior Citizens

### Additional Guidance

- You should answer all the questions.
- Deadline for all entries is May 20, 2011
- Winners will be announced on June 20, 2011

***"Be the change you want to see in the world."***

***- Mahatma Gandhi -***

Email all entries and queries to: Uma Chaudhary at [uma@hinduamericanseva.org](mailto:uma@hinduamericanseva.org) with contact information and include a short biography.



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