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Date**

**August 25, 2009
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**U.S.
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Justice
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**Please Join The U.S. Department of
Justice in celebrating
the 45th Anniversary of the
*Community Relations Service***

The Community Relations Service is the Department's "peacemaker" for community conflicts and tensions arising from differences of race, color, and national origin. Created by the Civil Rights Act of 1964, CRS is the only Federal agency dedicated to assist State and local units of government, private and public organizations, and community groups with preventing and resolving racial and ethnic tensions, incidents, and civil disorders, and in restoring racial stability and harmony. CRS facilitates the development of viable, mutual understandings and agreements as alternatives to coercion, violence, or litigation. It also assists communities in developing local mechanisms, conducting training, and other proactive measures to prevent or reduce racial/ethnic tension. As CRS is not an interested party of the conflicts, the Agency is able to effectively apply the skills and training needed to allow parties to come to their own resolution.