



ISS Astronaut Susan J. Helms, KC7NHZ talking with Amateur Radio operators on Earth 7/16/2001

Call for Participation

The Make Operating Radio Easier (MORE) Project <n2re.org/m-o-r-e-project> aims to reduce both gender and age imbalances in Ham Radio, through education and hands-on activities. The intention is to provide mentoring, proactive intervention, and inclusivity, in order to help expand Ham Radio's outreach. The ambitious goals of the 2-year MORE Project are: to train and license 500 new U.S. Radio Amateurs; to encourage understanding of digital and analog aspects of radio communication through hands-on activities and explorations, including Software Defined Radio (SDR); and to help these new Hams learn basic communications protocols by observing and participating in HF and VHF operations. Each participant will have their testing and licensing fees paid for by the program. Successful licensees will also receive a hand-held 2 Meter (HT) radio, plus practice in Getting On The Air to make radio contacts.

To be considered for this program, you must be at least 12 years old (or older). As radio operations in the U.S.A. are overseen by the Federal Government, all participants in the MORE Project must be willing to create a permanent public record of certain salient personal information. Step 1: Go to <<https://www.fcc.gov/wireless/support/universal-licensing-system-uls-resources/getting-fcc-registration-number-frn>> to obtain an FCC Registration Number (FRN). Step 2: Email the FRN, along with your full name and email address (plus your parent's or guardian's full name and email address, if you are within 12 to 18 years of age) to Dr. Rebecca Mercuri, K3RPM at <rtmercuri@ieee.org>. You will be sent an application form that will enable us to place you into one of our training courses.

GROUP LEADERS: The MORE Project is also seeking to hear from STEM clubs, scouting groups, preparedness teams, societies and lodges, senior centers, and other educational or recreational activity organizers. If your members would like to learn about radio technology and how it is used in a wide range of applications, including informal chatting, emergency search and rescue, global and outer-space communication, and much more, please contact Dr. Mercuri at <rtmercuri@ieee.org> for further information.

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