



Peace Corps Volunteers provide technical assistance to countries that have requested it in a wide variety of Volunteer positions throughout the world. All Volunteers serve in six general work areas: Agriculture, Community Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health, and Youth in Development.

Search for currently available opportunities at peacecorps.gov/openings. Each posted opportunity includes apply by and departure dates. We recommend that you submit your application as early as possible: The sooner you apply, the sooner you could be invited to be a Peace Corps Volunteer.

Agriculture Volunteers

Agriculture is the primary economic activity of most of the world's people, yet many communities are unable to produce enough food. Peace Corps Volunteers contribute sustainable solutions to a community's agricultural issues and help preserve natural resources.

Programs and Sample Projects

Agriculture and Forestry Extension

- Collaborate with farmers and associations to improve agriculture and agribusiness practices
- Establish and maintain soil and water conservation structures and practices
- Raise trees in small nurseries and work in fruit tree production
- Train communities in nutritional education through vegetable and semi-urban gardening and permaculture
- Support livelihoods through income-generating projects

Applied Agricultural Science

- Teach agriculture methodologies in formal training institutions
- Test new varieties of seeds and demonstrate post-harvest management methods
- Introduce composting, green manures, and other soil-improvement techniques
- Conduct workshops on integrated pest management
- Develop marketing strategies

Farm Management and Agribusiness

- Teach basic business practices such as marketing, credit, production cost analysis, price determination, and general business planning
- Work on crop and livestock production and preservation
- Identify market structures and channels
- Assist in organizing networks of local farmers





What Makes a Successful Volunteer

From the application process through completion of service, successful Peace Corps Volunteers demonstrate motivation, flexibility, curiosity, cultural sensitivity, leadership, and a commitment to service.

Launch Your Career

Peace Corps Volunteers who served in the field of agriculture have gone on to careers with a variety of leading agriculture and development institutions, including: U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, USDA Extension Service, U.S. Food and Nutrition Service, Food and Agriculture Organization, United Nations Environment Program, and many private companies and nongovernmental organizations. Visit our website to learn how returned Peace Corps Volunteers receive advantages in federal employment.

Benefits of Peace Corps Service

- Language, cross-cultural, and technical training
- Travel costs to and from the country of service covered
- Stipend for overseas living and housing expenses
- Medical and dental coverage
- Student loan deferment and partial cancellation of some loans
- Vacation time
- More than \$8,000 (pre-tax) after two years of service to help you transition to life back home.
- Career and transition assistance
- Advantages with Peace Corps graduate school partners
- No fee to participate

“The solution to the world food crisis is not to ship goods, but to get serious about investing in communities around the world.”

Carl Pope, CEO of Sierra Club
Peace Corps Volunteer in India

***Make a difference.
Be a Volunteer.***



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