



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.

Youth in Development Volunteers

Through strong relationships forged with students, parents, and other community members, Peace Corps Volunteers engage in a wide variety of locally sustainable projects. Volunteers act as catalysts for change by working within their communities on projects that spread across all Peace Corps work areas.

Programs and Sample Projects

- Help young people form youth groups, clubs, sports teams, or extracurricular activities that build teamwork, confidence, and positive relationships with peers, parents, and adults
- Through interactive training methods, develop critical life skills in boys and girls, such as decision-making, goal setting, communication, leadership, and self-esteem

- Design programs and training that help young people make the transition from school to productive, dignified work or careers through vocational or technology training, entrepreneurial education, or develop mentoring and apprenticeship opportunities
- Act as a health promoter while training young people to serve as peer educators, enabling them to provide HIV/AIDS education and awareness to other youth and adults in their communities
- Mobilize young people to work on community improvement projects while they build critical civic engagement, life, and leadership skills
- Train youth development workers to design and facilitate high quality youth programs
- Engage parents, community leaders, and organizations to support youth programs





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 youth or community development have gone on to careers with a variety of leading institutions, including: U.S. Agency for International Development, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Teach for America, 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

“Peace Corps is a special job. There is a focus on understanding the people from our community. It is when people know and trust us that we are most effective.”

Chris Morrill
Volunteer in Bolivia and El Salvador

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



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