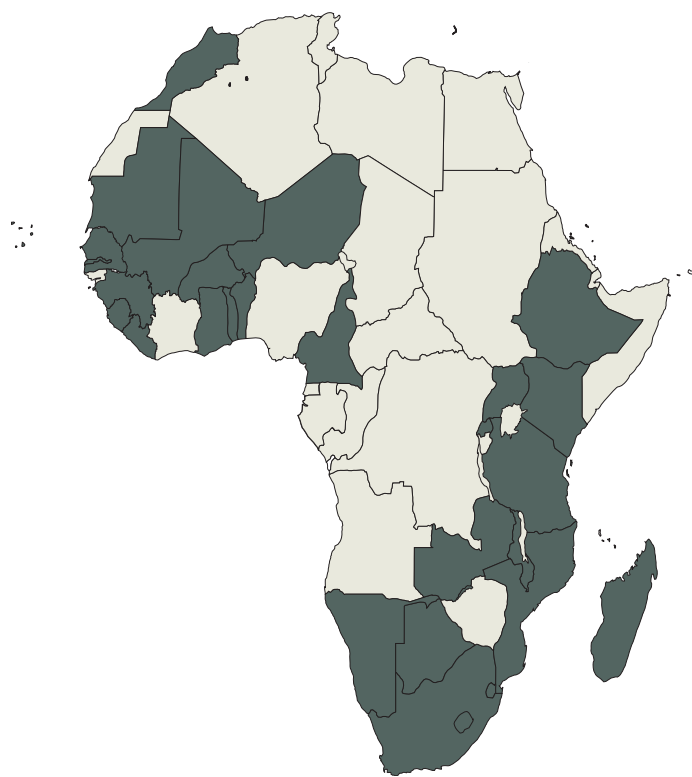


The Peace Corps in Africa

Promoting world peace and friendship



- Since 1961, nearly 72,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in 47 African nations. Today, Peace Corps has programs in 29 African host nations.
- The Africa programs currently account for 41 percent of all Peace Corps Volunteers serving in 77 countries worldwide. Nearly 3,300 Volunteers presently work in partnership with host government ministries, nongovernmental organizations, and local communities on sustainable development and capacity-building initiatives.
- Peace Corps Volunteers in Africa work in a wide range of areas and sectors, including:
 - Agriculture (food security, crop science, agribusiness, fisheries)
 - Education (primary, secondary, vocational, and teacher training)
 - Girl's Education and Empowerment
 - Health (maternal and early childhood, community and public, water and sanitation, systems strengthening, and health education)
 - Natural Resource Management (forestry and national parks preservation; environmental education)
 - Small Enterprise Development (from village savings and loan projects to business advising and organizational development)
- Regardless of primary job responsibility, Volunteers serving in countries impacted by HIV/AIDS will also likely be involved in support efforts related to the pandemic.



- Ghana was the first country in the world to welcome Peace Corps. The first group of Volunteers arrived in Ghana on August 30, 1961. More than 4,500 Americans have successfully served as Peace Corps Volunteers in Ghana since 1961.

As Peace Corps approaches its 50th anniversary, its service legacy continues to promote peace and friendship around the world with 7,671 volunteers serving in 77 host countries. Historically, nearly 200,000 Americans have served with the Peace Corps to promote a better understanding between Americans and the people of 139 host countries. Peace Corps Volunteers must be U.S. citizens and at least 18 years of age. Peace Corps service is a 27-month commitment. To learn more about the Peace Corps, please visit our website: www.peacecorps.gov

PEACE CORPS POST	PROGRAM YEARS	VOLUNTEERS 2010	TOTAL VOLUNTEERS SERVED
BENIN	1968-present	155	1687
BOTSWANA	1966-1997; 2003-present	118	2097
BURKINA FASO	1966-1987; 1995-present	167	1584
CAMEROON	1962-present	148	3091
CAPE VERDE	1988-present	57	475
ETHIOPIA	1962-1977; 1995-1999; 2007-present	69	3012
GHANA	1961-present	195	4056
GUINEA	1962-1966; 1969-1971; 1985-present	0	1287
KENYA	1965-present	108	4877
LESOTHO	1967-present	99	2112
LIBERIA	1962-1990; 2008	31	3832
MADAGASCAR	1993-present	75	811
MALAWI	1963-1969; 1973-1976; 1978-present	136	2388
MALI	1971-present	203	2379
MAURITANIA	1967; 1971-present	0	1259
MOROCCO	1963-present	226	4177
MOZAMBIQUE	1998-present	127	558
NAMIBIA	1990-present	97	1150
NIGER	1962-present	101	3058
RWANDA	1975-1993; 2008-present	94	149
SENEGAL	1963-present	162	2969
SIERRA LEONE	1962-1994; 2010-present	39	3479
SOUTH AFRICA	1997-present	169	847
SWAZILAND	1968-1996; 2003-present	85	1404
TANZANIA	1962-1969; 1979-present	165	2202
THE GAMBIA	1967-present	96	1480
TOGO	1962-present	114	2580
UGANDA	1964-1973; 1991-1999; 2000-present	117	1004
ZAMBIA	1993-present	138	1028

FORMER PEACE CORPS POSTS

BURUNDI	1983-1993	–	150
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	1972-1996	–	906
CHAD	1966-1979; 1987-1998; 2003-2006	–	726
COMOROS	1988-1995	–	79
CONGO, REPUBLIC OF	1991-1993; 1993-1997	–	139
COTE D'IVOIRE	1962-1981; 1990-2003	–	1533
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO	1970-1991	–	2530
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	1988-1993	–	61
ERITREA	1995-1998	–	86
GABON	1963-1967; 1973-2005	–	1460
GUINEA-BISSAU	1988-1998	–	177
MAURITIUS	1971-1975	–	48
NIGERIA	1961-1971; 1992-1995	–	2094
SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	1990-1996	–	62
SEYCHELLES	1974-1995	–	49
SOMALIA	1962-1970	–	357
SUDAN	1984-1986	–	8
ZIMBABWE	1991-2002	–	366

