# SHORT TERM. HIGH IMPACT.

PEACE CORPS

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS

Peace Corps Response sends experienced professionals to undertake short-term, high-impact service assignments in communities around the world. Since the program was established in 1996, over 2,500 Peace Corps Response Volunteers have served in more than 70 countries.

#### **About Peace Corps Response**

Peace Corps Response helps the agency meet host country requests for highly skilled Volunteers. From returning to post-conflict countries to jumpstarting new agency partnerships and initiatives, Volunteers provide targeted assistance in diverse assignments covering agriculture, community economic development, disaster risk reduction and mitigation, education, environment, health, and youth in development.

With their ability to adapt to changing situations and effectively engage diverse populations, Peace Corps Response Volunteers produce effective, measurable, and sustainable outcomes for their assigned communities.

### Peace Corps Response Fast Facts

- Americans who have served: 2,500+
- Host countries served to date: 70+
- Minorities: 20% of Volunteers
- Volunteers over 50: 38% of Volunteers
- Average age: 44

#### peacecorps.gov/response



#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### How long is Peace Corps Response service?

Peace Corps Response assignments range from three to 12 months; the average assignment length is 10 months.

#### What type of training is provided?

Volunteers receive a short orientation upon arrival to their country of service; however, no formal technical or language training is provided. Competitive candidates are expected to already possess the technical and language skills needed to successfully complete their assignments.

#### What are the benefits of service?

Peace Corps Response Volunteers receive transportation to and from their country of service; settling-in, living, and leave allowances; two vacation days per month of service; medical and dental care; and, for those who complete their service, the option to receive a fixed stipend in lieu of a return plane ticket. Peace Corps Response Volunteers also accrue a readjustment allowance of \$425 for each month of service completed.

#### Can I serve with my spouse or partner?

Couples may serve in the Peace Corps together; however, each person must apply and qualify separately. It can take longer to place couples, as the number of placements for two qualified Volunteers in the same location is limited.

#### Are there health requirements for service?

Due to the nature of countries where the Peace Corps serves and the medical services available in those countries, all applicants undergo a comprehensive medical and dental assessment to determine if they are medically qualified to serve in the Peace Corps and that any special medical needs can be supported in their country of service.

#### How do I apply?

Apply at peacecorps.gov/response. The online application takes less than 30 minutes to complete and applicants are welcome to apply to multiple positions. To be considered a competitive candidate, applicants must meet the mandatory qualifications listed in each specific position description.

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