



**Peace Corps  
2011 Annual Volunteer Survey Results**

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APPENDIX: PEACE CORPS 2011 ANNUAL VOLUNTEER SURVEY INSTRUMENT

# 2011 ANNUAL VOLUNTEER SURVEY

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## INTRODUCTION

In order to ensure that the views of Peace Corps Volunteers (“Volunteers”) inform ongoing decisions and operations, the Peace Corps conducts an annual anonymous survey of Volunteers. This report provides the results of the 2011 Annual Volunteer Survey (AVS), a key tool to help the agency assess progress towards its goals and identify areas for improvement. The survey asked Volunteers to gauge the impact of their work, the effectiveness of Peace Corps programs and in-country staff support, their personal health and safety, and their overall satisfaction with service. The 2011 AVS was conducted from June – August 2011, during which time a historically high 86 percent of the Volunteers (6,898) responded. Most Volunteers (96 percent) completed the online version of the survey; only 4 percent completed a paper version of the survey.

This report conveys the responses to the survey from Volunteers serving worldwide. The report contains the tables and short narrative responses from the questions offering a finite set of possible responses. The results provide a picture of the activities, experiences and views of Peace Corps Volunteers in 2011, including areas where Volunteers confirm that their needs are being well met and where improvements may be needed.

## ORGANIZATION OF THE REPORT

The report contains eleven sections, corresponding to the major sections of the survey questionnaire. The 2011 AVS questionnaire is included at the end of the report.

The tabular results are presented in the order in which the questions appeared in the 2011 AVS, which corresponds roughly to the phases of Volunteer service. The initial questions asked about preparing for Peace Corps. These were followed by questions about assignment activities and training. The final questions asked about overall satisfaction with service and demographic characteristics of the respondents.

The tables show the percentage of respondents who selected each choice and the total number of respondents who answered the question. Most survey questions asked respondents to select one answer from a set of choices. The percentages for the “select one” responses add up to 100 percent. Questions that allowed Volunteers to “mark all that apply” result in percentages that total to more than 100 percent. This is because each percentage equals the number of respondents selecting that choice divided by the number of respondents who answered the question. Most percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

Two sets of questions were available only to Volunteers who completed the online survey. First, Volunteers serving in the Masters International (MI) program were asked to complete four additional questions about that program. Second, Volunteers serving since December 2009 (and earlier) were asked to answer several questions about their post-service plans and awareness of the resources available to returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs). The responses to these online-only questions are not included in this report.

## A. Basic Information

This section reports on the overall response rate and percentages of online and paper surveys completed, as well as the Volunteers' descriptions of their project and site. Results are more representative of all Volunteers at post when the response rate is above 50 percent.

### Completed Online and Paper Surveys

	Percent	Number
Online	96%	6623
Paper	4%	275
Total	100%	6898

### A3: How many months have you been in country?

	Percent	Number
6 months or less	18%	1268
7 to 12 months	25%	1733
13 to 20 months	29%	1980
21 to 27 months	23%	1594
28 months or more	5%	323
Total	100%	6898

### Project Sector (based on Volunteer project)

		Percent	Number
Sector	Education	34%	2359
	Health	23%	1563
	Business	18%	1219
	Environment	11%	728
	Youth	8%	525
	Other	4%	255
	Agriculture	3%	231
	Total	100%	6880

## B. Preparing for the Peace Corps

This section reports Volunteers' motivations in applying and accepting a Peace Corps assignment, as well as how prepared they are currently to meet the challenges of service.

**B1: What prompted you to apply to the PC? Mark all that apply.**

	PCV Responses	% Selected This Choice	Total PCVs Responding
Prior overseas experience	2641	39%	
Friends/co-workers/class mates	2052	30%	
PC website	1995	29%	
Returned/current PC Volunteer you know	1846	27%	
PC campus or community information session	1728	25%	
Other (please specify)	1164	17%	
PC recruiter	1045	15%	
Presentation by returned PC Volunteer	971	14%	
School advisor or mentor	665	10%	
Family member/s who served in the Peace Corps	636	9%	
Advertisement	516	8%	
Book about Peace Corps	457	7%	
Newspaper or magazine article	275	4%	
AmeriCorps service	208	3%	
Television or radio news story	190	3%	
PC material in the mail	152	2%	
Social media network/website (Facebook, etc)	108	2%	
Total			6857

Percents may total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "Mark all that apply."

**B2: How important were the following factors in accepting a PC assignment?**

	Not Important	Somewhat important	Important	NA	Total
Different culture	3%	12%	84%	0%	6884
Work experience	8%	29%	62%	1%	6869
Help others	1%	11%	88%	0%	6878
International experience	2%	11%	86%	0%	6871
Language	12%	30%	57%	1%	6871
Personal growth	2%	14%	83%	0%	6871
U. S. job market	45%	31%	21%	3%	6862
Serve my country	27%	40%	33%	1%	6858
Travel/adventure	3%	20%	76%	0%	6866
Other: Please specify below	2%	1%	11%	86%	2864

**B3: How helpful were the following pre-departure materials and activities provided/suggested by Peace Corps?**

	Not Helpful	Somewhat Helpful	Very Helpful	Did not use/NA	Total
Peace Corps website information	5%	58%	35%	3%	6869
Volunteer Assignment Description	12%	56%	31%	1%	6866
Volunteer Core Expectations	13%	60%	23%	5%	6853
Welcome Book (on your country)	5%	46%	48%	2%	6864
Emails from the Country Desk	11%	48%	27%	15%	6857
Conference call with PC staff in-country	6%	13%	8%	73%	6857
Peace Corps social media (YouTube, Facebook, etc.)	11%	23%	17%	50%	6856
Peace Corps country-specific website	11%	25%	12%	51%	6856
Contact with current Volunteers	4%	19%	35%	42%	6868
Language resources	18%	33%	13%	36%	6866
Videos	10%	19%	7%	64%	6848
Other, please specify below:	2%	2%	10%	85%	2984

**B3: How helpful were the following pre-departure materials and activities provided/suggested by Peace Corps?**

**(excluding Did not use/NA)**

	Not Helpful	Somewhat Helpful	Very Helpful	Total
Peace Corps website information	5%	59%	36%	6681
Volunteer Assignment Description	12%	56%	31%	6797
Volunteer Core Expectations	13%	63%	24%	6530
Welcome Book (on your country)	5%	47%	49%	6736
Emails from the Country Desk	12%	56%	32%	5857
Conference call with PC staff in-country	21%	48%	31%	1874
Peace Corps social media (YouTube, Facebook, etc.)	21%	45%	34%	3440
Peace Corps country-specific website	23%	52%	24%	3333
Contact with current Volunteers	7%	33%	61%	3995
Language resources	27%	52%	20%	4401
Videos	28%	53%	19%	2493
Other, please specify below:	12%	16%	72%	435

**B4: Upon departure for your host country, to what extent did your use of Peace Corps-provided pre-departure materials and activities prepare you for--?**

	Not at all	Somewhat	Very	Total
Learning a new language	51%	40%	10%	6862
Adjusting to new living conditions	21%	65%	14%	6864
Understanding your Volunteer assignment	17%	61%	22%	6865
Peace Corps mission and goals	6%	46%	49%	6871
Safety and security	16%	60%	24%	6866
Adapting to a new culture	15%	64%	20%	6861
Peace Corps rules and regulations	8%	53%	39%	6863
Understanding what is expected of you	9%	58%	33%	6849

**B6: Prior to your Peace Corps service, what best describes how long you have lived or studied in another country?**

	Never lived/studied overseas	Less than one month	One to three months	Four to eleven months	One year or more	Total
B6	21%	10%	20%	28%	21%	6882

**B7: How prepared for Peace Corps service did you feel when you arrived in-country?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
B7	2%	17%	46%	28%	7%	6885

## C. Your Peace Corps Activities

This section reports Volunteers' work on their primary assignment and their secondary activities. The term "primary assignment" refers to Volunteers' work that is part of an overall project plan designed by the host country partners and in-country Peace Corps staff. The term "secondary project/ community services" refers to activities other than the primary project's work activities.

**C1: Which best describes the focus of your primary assignment/work?**

	Percent	Number
English teaching	24%	1658
Health extension	10%	687
Youth development	10%	681
Community development	7%	500
Business education/advising	7%	496
Teacher training	5%	338
Agriculture/fish/livestock	5%	333
NGO development	5%	317
Math/science teaching	5%	314
Other:	4%	303
HIV/AIDS	4%	300
Water and sanitation	4%	241
Other education	3%	235
Agroforestry	3%	187
Information & communications technology (ICT)	2%	150
Urban & regional planning/ Municipal development	1%	60
Environmental education	1%	59
Forestry/parks	0%	13
Total	100%	6872

NOTE: Online AVS did not offer Environmental Education and Forestry/Parks choices, so PCVs wrote in those responses under "Other".

**C2. Are you a Master's International (MI) Volunteer?**

	Yes	No	Total
C2	4%	96%	6815

**C3: Which of the following activities does your primary assignment/work include?**

	PCV Responses	% Involved in Activity	Total PCVs Responding
Working with youth	3410	50%	
English teaching	2876	42%	
Girls' education	1551	23%	
Gender equity/empowerment (WID/GAD)	1447	21%	
Environment work	1440	21%	
Infectious diseases (AID, malaria, etc)	1433	21%	
Nutrition education	1391	20%	
Income generation	1333	19%	
Literacy	1298	19%	
NGO work	1136	17%	
Child, maternal and neonatal health	1054	15%	
Business advising	991	14%	
Rural development	990	14%	
Water and sanitation	960	14%	
Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools	899	13%	
Information & communications technology (ICT)	849	12%	
Arts	825	12%	
Sports/fitness	809	12%	
Library development	805	12%	
Natural resources management	803	12%	
Community food security (production/marketing)	716	10%	
Volunteerism/Mobilizing HCNs to volunteer (v2)	697	10%	
Microenterprise development	638	9%	
Household food security	627	9%	
Biodiversity conservation	607	9%	
Working with special groups (elderly, ethnic minorities, etc)	574	8%	
Work force development	509	7%	
Other (please specify)	485	7%	
Renewable energy	406	6%	
Working with the disabled	322	5%	
Urban/Municipal development	302	4%	
Total			6870

Percents may total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "Mark all that apply."

**C4: Hours Spent on Primary Assignment During Average Work Week**

	None	1-10 hrs	11-20 hrs	21-30 hrs	31-40 hrs	More than 40 hrs	Total
C4Hrs6grp	1%	13%	32%	31%	17%	6%	6785

**C4: How many hours do you spend on your primary assignment during an average work week?**

	All Volunteers	Average hours	Lowest hours reported	Highest hours reported	Did not answer
C4	6898	24.9	0	96	113

**C5: Which of the following do your secondary activities (other than your primary assignment work) include?**

	PCV Responses	% Involved in Activity	Total PCVs Responding
English teaching	3121	50%	
Working with youth	3049	49%	
Gender equity/empowerment (WID/GAD)	1750	28%	
Sports/fitness	1663	27%	
Girls' education	1622	26%	
Arts	1483	24%	
Environment work	1266	20%	
Library development	1145	18%	
Literacy	1119	18%	
Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools	1061	17%	
Infectious diseases (AID, malaria, etc)	1004	16%	
Nutrition education	920	15%	
NGO work	888	14%	
Income generation	861	14%	
Volunteerism/Mobilizing HCNs to volunteer (v2)	805	13%	
Information & communications technology (ICT)	785	13%	
Rural development	631	10%	
Water and sanitation	618	10%	
Working with special groups (elderly, ethnic minorities, etc)	606	10%	
Business advising	566	9%	
Other (please specify)	557	9%	
Child, maternal and neonatal health	470	7%	
Community food security (production/marketing)	398	6%	
Natural resources management	389	6%	
Microenterprise development	359	6%	
Renewable energy	359	6%	
Household food security	356	6%	
Working with the disabled	321	5%	
Biodiversity conservation	315	5%	
Work force development	301	5%	
Urban/Municipal development	202	3%	
Total			6271

Percents may total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "Mark all that apply."

**C5: No Secondary Activities**

	Percent	Number
Currently involved in secondary/community service activities	92%	6271
Currently NO secondary/community service activities	8%	562
Total	100%	6833

**C6: Hours Spent on Secondary Activities During Average Work Week**

	None	1-10 hrs	11-20 hrs	21-30 hrs	31-40 hrs	More than 40 hrs	Total
C6Hrs6grp	5%	62%	25%	6%	2%	0%	6479

**C6: How many hours do you spend on secondary activities during an average work week?**

	All Volunteers	Average hours	Lowest hours reported	Highest hours reported	Did not answer
C6	6898	10.9	0	100	419

**Total Hours (primary+secondary) Worked During an Average Work Week**

	No hours	10 hours or less	11-20 hours	21-30 hours	31-40 hours	41 hours or more	Total
TotHrsgrp	0%	3%	11%	27%	31%	29%	6419

**Total Hours (primary+secondary) Worked During an Average Work Week**

	All Volunteers	Average hours	Lowest hours reported	Highest hours reported	Did not answer
Totworkhrs	6898	35.6	0	168	479

## D. Training for Your Peace Corps Assignment

This section reports Volunteers' assessment of the effectiveness of Pre-Service Training (PST) and In-Service Training at post. In-Service Training (IST) includes: Reconnect, Technical IST, Mid-Service and Close of Service Conferences, project management/leadership conferences, and other post-sponsored training sessions.

**D1: How many weeks of PST did you have before you were sworn in?**

	Less than 8 weeks	8 weeks	9 weeks	10 weeks	11 weeks	12 weeks	More than 12 wks	Total
D1grp	5%	14%	17%	32%	19%	10%	2%	6301

**D2: Please evaluate your Pre-Service Training (PST) in preparing you to--**

	Not effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very effective	Total
Manage cultural differences	1%	5%	32%	42%	19%	6875
Deal with adjustment issues	1%	7%	37%	40%	14%	6857
Work with counterparts/community partners	4%	22%	43%	23%	7%	6835
Use language needed in work and social interactions	2%	9%	29%	34%	26%	6814
Perform technical aspects of your work	6%	19%	37%	27%	10%	6790
Work on your project goals and objectives	4%	15%	41%	31%	10%	6762
Conduct a participatory community needs assessment (e.g., PACA)	5%	15%	38%	29%	14%	6593
Monitor your project goals and outcomes	4%	19%	43%	27%	7%	6656
Maintain your physical health	2%	7%	29%	38%	24%	6801
Maintain your mental/emotional health	2%	9%	33%	37%	19%	6826
Maintain your personal safety and security	1%	3%	22%	39%	36%	6845
Identify the unique gender needs of women, girls, men, and boys (WID/GAD)	4%	16%	40%	30%	11%	6394

**D3: How many days of PC-sponsored training have you had since you were sworn in?**

	None	1-5 days	6-10 days	11-15 days	16-20 days	21-39 days	40+ days	Total
D3grp	13%	14%	29%	21%	11%	9%	3%	6810

**D4: How effective was your In-Service Training (IST) in preparing you to--**

	Not effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very effective	Total
Manage cultural differences	4%	10%	45%	32%	9%	5153
Deal with adjustment issues	3%	10%	45%	32%	10%	5210
Build and strengthen working relationships with counterparts/community partners	3%	12%	36%	34%	15%	5564
Use language needed in work and social interactions	5%	14%	38%	30%	13%	5055
Perform technical aspects of your work	4%	11%	35%	35%	15%	5596
Work on your project goals and objectives	3%	8%	35%	37%	17%	5608
Conduct a participatory community needs assessment (e.g.,PACA)	7%	16%	42%	26%	10%	4496
Monitor project goals and outcomes	3%	11%	40%	33%	13%	5465
Maintain your physical health	4%	8%	39%	33%	16%	4944
Maintain your mental/emotional health	4%	9%	38%	33%	15%	5057
Maintain your personal safety and security	2%	5%	34%	36%	23%	5344
Meet the unique gender needs of women, girls, men, and boys (WID/GAD)	5%	13%	43%	29%	10%	4648

NOTE: Not all PCVs have had IST, depending on their time in country.

**D6: How well can you communicate in the language used by most local people in your community?**

	Not at all	Poorly	Adequately	Well	Very well	Total
D6	1%	15%	39%	27%	18%	6879

**Local language proficiency (D6) by Time in Country (A3)**

	Not at all	Poorly	Adequately	Well	Very well	Total
6 months or less	1%	24%	50%	18%	7%	1266
7 to 12 months	1%	16%	44%	25%	14%	1726
13 to 20 months	1%	13%	38%	31%	17%	1976
21 to 27 months	1%	12%	30%	32%	26%	1589
28 months or more	1%	7%	16%	31%	45%	322
Total	1%	15%	39%	27%	18%	6879

**D7: In general, how prepared do you feel today to meet the challenges of Peace Corps service?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
D7	0%	3%	26%	49%	22%	6883

**Preparedness to meet PC challenges (D7) by Time in Country (A3)**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
6 months or less	0%	6%	40%	45%	9%	1268
7 to 12 months	0%	4%	30%	50%	16%	1729
13 to 20 months	0%	3%	25%	51%	21%	1973
21 to 27 months	0%	1%	15%	50%	33%	1592
28 months or more		0%	8%	43%	49%	321
Total	0%	3%	26%	49%	22%	6883

## E. Goals and Impact

This section reports Volunteers' self-assessments of their impact on the individuals and organizations in the communities in which they serve. The results address the extent to which Volunteers' work and other community interaction have achieved the following three goals:

- Goal 1: To help the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women by transferring skills to, and building capacity of, host country partners
- Goal 2: To help promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served
- Goal 3: To help Americans understand the people and cultures of other countries

### E1: To what extent does your work for your primary project---

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
Meet the objectives of the project plan	2%	9%	29%	42%	18%	6573
Build local capacity for sustainability (Goal 1)	3%	17%	34%	34%	12%	6665
Involve local people in planning and implementing activities	2%	14%	29%	36%	19%	6662
Complement other local development activities	5%	17%	34%	32%	12%	6344
Transfers skills to host country individuals and organizations (Goal 1)	2%	12%	29%	39%	19%	6689
Mobilizes host country individuals to volunteer	11%	29%	31%	21%	8%	6373
Help promote HCNs' understanding of Americans (Goal 2)	1%	9%	25%	39%	25%	6681
Help promote Americans' understanding of peoples served (Goal 3)	4%	12%	26%	35%	23%	6584
Meet the unique gender needs of women, girls, men, boys	7%	20%	37%	26%	9%	6102

### E2: Overall, in all of your activities and interactions, how effective are you in transferring knowledge and skills to help the following build their capacities?

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
Your counterpart/community partner	4%	15%	30%	35%	16%	6634
Your host institution/organization	4%	17%	37%	33%	9%	6314
An organization other than your host institution	7%	18%	36%	30%	8%	5471
Members of your host community	2%	14%	37%	36%	11%	6663
Other Peace Corps Volunteers	2%	10%	34%	38%	16%	6474
Other: Please specify	9%	6%	25%	34%	27%	315

### E3: To what extent is your work effective in transferring skills and building capacity?

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
Primary assignment work	3%	15%	37%	34%	10%	6819
Secondary project/Community service work	5%	12%	39%	34%	10%	6693

**E5: Based on all of your activities and interactions with host country nationals, to what extent have they gained a better understanding of Americans?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Too early to tell	Total
E5	0%	5%	23%	48%	17%	6%	6848

**E5: Based on all of your activities and interactions with host country nationals, to what extent have they gained a better understanding of Americans? (excluding "Too early to tell" responses)**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
E5	0%	5%	25%	51%	18%	6455

**E6: In which of the following third goal activities have you participated during your PC service? Mark all that apply.**

	PCV Responses	% Doing This	Total PCVs Responding
Electronic updates, stories and/or photos to inform Americans about your host country	6067	89%	
Posting through social media such as Facebook, Twitter or other social media	4615	68%	
Hosting American visitors (friends, family or others)	3916	58%	
Personal website or blog to inform Americans about your host country	3622	53%	
Paul D. Coverdell World Wise School/Correspondence Match (CWWS/CM) program	3067	45%	
Hard copy/paper updates, stories, or photos to inform Americans about your host country	2687	39%	
Letter exchange other than CWWS/CM	1832	27%	
While on home leave, speaking at a school or to a community group	945	14%	
Peace Corps Week activities	440	6%	
Podcasting, creating a slide show or video that was posted online	426	6%	
Other (please specify)	323	5%	
Posting to the Peace Corps Digital Library	148	2%	
<b>Total</b>			<b>6803</b>

Percents may total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "Mark all that apply."

**E6: When asked about third goal activities, Volunteer answered "No involvement in third goal activities."**

	Participate in Third-Goal activities	No involvement in Third-Goal activities	Total
No involvement in Third Goal activities	99%	1%	6869

**E7: Based on your activities and interactions (e.g., in person and through electronic communications) with Americans, to what extent have Americans gained a better understanding of the people of your host country?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Too early to tell	Total
E7	0%	6%	23%	45%	22%	4%	6885

**E7: Based on your activities and interactions (e.g., in person and through electronic communications) with Americans, to what extent have Americans gained a better understanding of the people of your host country?**

**(excluding "Too early to tell" responses)**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
E7	0%	6%	24%	47%	23%	6582

## F. Peace Corps Support

This section reports Volunteers' satisfaction with in-country Peace Corps staff support and how the Volunteers communicate with the post.

**F1: When you arrived at your community, how prepared for your arrival were the host people with whom you would be working?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
F1	7%	26%	35%	22%	9%	6876

**F2: To what extent is your country director aware of Volunteer issues and concerns through interactions with Volunteers?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
F2	3%	15%	36%	30%	15%	6856

**F3: How satisfied are you with the health care you received from your PCMO(s)?**  
(excluding "Not used" responses)

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
F3	1%	6%	21%	29%	43%	6743

**F4: How satisfied are you with the following support provided by in-country Peace Corps staff?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
Administrative/logistical	2%	11%	33%	33%	21%	6840
Cross-cultural	2%	10%	36%	35%	17%	6693
Emotional	5%	15%	36%	28%	16%	6277
Feedback on my work reports	7%	21%	34%	25%	14%	6119
Job assignment	5%	16%	35%	28%	17%	6762
Language learning	3%	10%	29%	32%	26%	6740
Medical	1%	5%	21%	31%	40%	6816
Monitoring/evaluating project goals	5%	20%	42%	24%	9%	6362
Project specific skills	5%	20%	39%	26%	10%	6565
Safety and security	1%	5%	22%	34%	39%	6833
Site selection/preparation	9%	20%	28%	24%	18%	6825

**F5: Are you aware of services available from the following Peace Corps offices/staff?**

	No	Yes	Total
<b>AMERICAN DIVERSITY PROGRAM</b> [advice and guidance on Volunteer rights and responsibilities with regard to discrimination and harassment (sexual and non-sexual)]	65%	35%	6875
<b>COUNSELING AND OUTREACH UNIT</b> /formerly Office of Special Services [support for the emotional resiliency and well-being of Volunteers and staff]	45%	55%	6869
<b>VOLUNTEER LINK</b> to Office of Volunteer Support's medical quality improvement unit (qualitynurse@peacecorps.gov) [for non-urgent concerns about Volunteer healthcare]	63%	37%	6858

**F6: What level of support have you received from post staff to help cope with stress from living and working in your community? (Including PCVs with no need for support)**

	No support	Minimal support	Adequate support	Considerable support	Exceptional support	NA/ Need no support to cope with stress from living/working in my community	Total
F6	3%	14%	24%	15%	9%	34%	6859

**F6: What level of PC support have you received to help cope with stress from issues such as HIV/AIDS, food insecurity, etc. in your community? (excluding "NA/No need for support" responses)**

	No support	Minimal support	Adequate support	Considerable support	Exceptional support	Total
F6	5%	21%	36%	23%	14%	4557

**F7a: How satisfied are you with your interaction with your Country Director in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
CD Responsiveness	12%	88%	1977	4921
CD Provides useful info	11%	89%	980	5918
CD Comfort level	18%	82%	1130	5768

**F7b: How would you rate your interaction with the PTO/DPT (Director of Programming and Training) in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
PTO/DPT Responsiveness	11%	89%	1611	5287
PTO/DPT Provides useful info	10%	90%	1187	5711
PTO/DPT Comfort level	13%	87%	1327	5571

**F7c: How would you rate your interaction with the APCD/Program Manager in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
APCD/PM Responsiveness	17%	83%	696	6202
APCD/PM Provides useful info	17%	83%	628	6270
APCD/PM Comfort level	16%	84%	657	6241

**F7d: How would you rate your interaction with the Peace Corps Medical Officer (PCMO) in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
PCMO Responsiveness	8%	92%	380	6518
PCMO Provides useful info	8%	92%	398	6500
PCMO Comfort level	7%	93%	367	6531

**F7e: How would you rate your interaction with the Safety and Security Coordinator (SSC) in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
SSC Responsiveness	6%	94%	843	6055
SSC Provides useful info	7%	93%	538	6360
SSC Comfort level	6%	94%	630	6268

**F7f: How would you rate your interaction with the Training Manager in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
Training Manager Responsiveness	9%	91%	1143	5755
Training Mngr Provides useful info	9%	91%	986	5912
Training Manager Comfort level	9%	91%	1071	5827

**F7g: How would you rate your interaction with Director of Management & Operations (formerly AO) in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
DMO/AO Responsiveness	8%	92%	1912	4986
DMO/AO Provides useful info	7%	93%	1711	5187
DMO/AO Comfort level	9%	91%	1812	5086

**F7h: How would you rate your interaction with administrative staff in terms of --?**

	Not satisfied	Satisfied	NA/Missing	Total Responses
Admin Responsiveness	10%	90%	704	6194
Admin Provides useful info	10%	90%	749	6149
Admin Comfort level	8%	92%	830	6068

**F8: In the past 12 months, which of the following Peace Corps representatives visited you at your site?**

	PCV Responses	% Visited	Total PCVs Responding
APCD/Program Manager	4274	70%	
Peace Corps Medical Officer (PCMO)	1801	30%	
Safety & Security Coordinator (SSC)	1710	28%	
Country Director	1476	24%	
PC Volunteer Leader	1316	22%	
Other (specify)	974	16%	
Administrative staff	924	15%	
Dir of Programming & Training (DPT/PTO)	710	12%	
Training Manager	588	10%	
Dir of Management & Operations (DMO/AO)	216	4%	
Total			6089

\*Percents total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "mark all that apply."

**F8: In the past 12 months, which of the following Peace Corps representatives visited you at your site?**

No Peace Corps representative has visited my site in past 12 months			
I was visited by 1+ staff	No staff visits	Missing	Responses
89%	11%	37	6861

**F9: What is the best method for you to communicate with your Peace Corps office?**

	Percent	Number
Cell phone calls	39%	2703
Email	33%	2246
Cell phone text messages (SMS)	22%	1525
In-person visits	3%	231
Other: Please specify below	1%	90
Landline telephone at residence or work	1%	35
Letters/postal service	0%	12
Landline telephone not at residence or work	0%	7
Total	100%	6849

**F11: Are you enrolled in the Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools/Correspondence Match (CWWS/CM) program?**

	Percent	Number
I am NOT enrolled in the CWWS/CM program	42%	2846
I am enrolled but not actively participating	33%	2272
I am enrolled & actively participating in CWWS/CM program	22%	1540
Don't know about the CWWS/CM program	3%	193
Total	100%	6851

**F11: I am enrolled but not actively participating in the Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools/Correspondence Match program for the following reasons:\***

	PCV Responses	% Visited	Total PCVs Responding
Other	1133	38%	
Infrequently heard from teacher	888	30%	
Never heard from teacher	786	26%	
Took too much time away from other projects	246	8%	
Not a very interesting project	237	8%	
Cost of communication (Internet/mail) is a financial burden	213	7%	
Took too long to get a match	124	4%	
Total			2992

\*Percents total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "mark all that apply."

**F12: How well informed are you about the following opportunities for returned Volunteers?**

	Not informed	Somewhat informed	Well informed	Total
Peace Corps Response	10%	54%	36%	6880
Paul D. Coverdell Fellows Program	26%	45%	29%	6868
Noncompetitive eligibility	21%	55%	24%	6871
RPCV Career Center in Washington, D.C.	52%	38%	11%	6874
Returned Volunteer Services	45%	45%	10%	6868

## G. Safety and Security

This section reports on how safe Volunteers feel. Volunteers' experiences with various types of insensitive remarks or behaviors, harassment or discrimination, and crime are summarized, as well as whether harassment and crime events were reported to Peace Corps.

**G1: How safe do you feel...?**

	Very unsafe	Less than adequately safe	Adequately Safe	More than adequately safe	Very Safe	Total
Where you live	1%	2%	20%	30%	47%	6891
Where you work	1%	1%	16%	29%	53%	6878
When you travel in-country	2%	7%	47%	27%	16%	6877
City where main Peace Corps office is located	3%	8%	45%	27%	18%	6869

**G2: Have you encountered insensitive comments or behavior toward you based on your race, ethnicity, age, gender, or sexual orientation from any of the following sources?**

	Yes	No	NA	Total
Host/home stay family member(s)	15%	82%	2%	6884
Community member(s)	55%	44%	1%	6878
Other Volunteer(s)	10%	89%	1%	6876
Peace Corps staff in-country	5%	94%	1%	6874
Counterpart/community partner	16%	82%	2%	6868

**G2: Have you encountered insensitive comments or behavior toward you based on your race, ethnicity, age, gender, or sexual orientation from any of the following sources?**

**(excluding "NA" responses)**

	Yes	No	Total
Host/home stay family member(s)	16%	84%	6733
Community member(s)	56%	44%	6817
Other Volunteer(s)	10%	90%	6789
Peace Corps staff in-country	5%	95%	6796
Counterpart/community partner	16%	84%	6759

**G3: Please indicate the number of times you experienced the following types of discrimination/harassment in your host country in the past 12 months: PERCENTAGES**

	Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	Total
Age Discrimination/Harassment	87%	2%	6%	2%	2%	1%	6331
Being an American Discrimination/Harassment	60%	7%	16%	5%	4%	7%	6331
Disability Discrimination/Harassment	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6331
Gender Discrimination/Harassment	67%	3%	9%	5%	5%	11%	6331
Race/color Discrimination/Harassment	71%	2%	7%	4%	3%	12%	6331
Religion Discrimination/Harassment	88%	2%	5%	2%	1%	2%	6331
Sexual orientation Discrimination/Harassment	97%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	6331
Gender identity & expression Discrimination/Harassment	96%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	6331

**G3: Please indicate the number of times you experienced the following types of discrimination/harassment in your host country in the past 12 months: NUMBERS**

	Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	Total
Age Discrimination/Harassment	5533	112	382	131	95	78	6331
Being an American Discrimination/Harassment	3826	418	999	344	282	462	6331
Disability Discrimination/Harassment	6302	13	7	4	3	2	6331
Gender Discrimination/Harassment	4223	220	584	287	308	709	6331
Race/color Discrimination/Harassment	4505	129	463	248	221	765	6331
Religion Discrimination/Harassment	5562	152	342	101	79	95	6331
Sexual orientation Discrimination/Harassment	6123	62	77	26	23	20	6331
Gender identity & expression Discrimination/Harassment	6055	36	125	33	37	45	6331

**G3: Volunteers experiencing AGE discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Age Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Age Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	108	3	1				112
	2-5 times	367	6	9				382
	6-10 times	124	1	6				131
	11-25 times	92	1	2				95
	26+ times	76	1	1				78
	Total	767	12	19				798

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing AGE discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Age Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	27	19	40	16	6	7	3
	2-5 times	156	156	153	44	10	47	11
	6-10 times	77	80	66	14	6	21	6
	11-25 times	58	67	50	11	6	22	6
	26+ times	57	59	45	12	8	27	3
	Total PCVs	375	381	354	97	36	124	29

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing ANTI-AMERICAN discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Being an American Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Being an American Discrimination/Harassment	Once	371	47					418
	2-5 times	950	30	19				999
	6-10 times	330	6	6	2			344
	11-25 times	271	3	7		1		282
	26+ times	440	10	6	3	1	2	462
	Total	2362	96	38	5	2	2	2505

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing ANTI-AMERICAN discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Being an American Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	317	50	15		3	6	11
	2-5 times	830	249	110	5	4	53	25
	6-10 times	311	140	68		4	32	12
	11-25 times	264	150	78	3	1	45	9
	26+ times	441	279	155	8	14	97	20
	Total PCVs	2163	868	426	16	26	233	77

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing DISABILITY discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Disability Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Disability Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	11	2					13
	2-5 times	7						7
	6-10 times	4						4
	11-25 times	2		1				3
	26+ times	2						2
	Total	26	2	1				29

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing DISABILITY discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Disability Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	2		1	2	6	1	
	2-5 times	2	1		2			1
	6-10 times	2	3				1	
	11-25 times	2	1	2	1	3	1	1
	26+ times	2	1	2	1	1		1
	Total PCVs	10	6	5	6	10	3	3

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing GENDER discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Gender Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Gender Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	166	54					220
	2-5 times	515	41	27	1			584
	6-10 times	258	15	10	4			287
	11-25 times	277	10	17	1	3		308
	26+ times	595	51	50	7		6	709
	Total	1811	171	104	13	3	6	2108

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing GENDER discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Gender Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	123	44	36	3	3	12	4
	2-5 times	425	218	118	12	5	42	10
	6-10 times	243	129	75	12	3	34	7
	11-25 times	268	167	105	13	8	40	11
	26+ times	672	429	267	31	34	115	30
	Total PCVs	1731	987	601	71	53	243	62

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing RACIAL/COLOR discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Race/color Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Race/color Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	113	16					129
	2-5 times	443	9	10	1			463
	6-10 times	236	4	4	4			248
	11-25 times	198	7	10		6		221
	26+ times	718	11	22	2	1	11	765
	Total	1708	47	46	7	7	11	1826

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing RACIAL/COLOR discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Race/color Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	87	18	10	10	2	3	2
	2-5 times	376	125	47	24	2	39	16
	6-10 times	230	84	22	16	2	20	7
	11-25 times	200	93	43	11	6	21	7
	26+ times	731	462	259	40	24	139	35
	Total PCVs	1624	782	381	101	36	222	67

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing RELIGIOUS discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Religion Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Religion Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	147	5					152
	2-5 times	331	9	2				342
	6-10 times	97	1	3				101
	11-25 times	76	1	2				79
	26+ times	91	1	1			2	95
	Total	742	17	8			2	769

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing RELIGIOUS discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Religion Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	36	49	15	17	7	16	2
	2-5 times	139	171	68	35	8	59	8
	6-10 times	61	60	23	12	2	23	5
	11-25 times	55	63	36	8	3	23	3
	26+ times	79	79	55	5	6	36	7
	Total PCVs	370	422	197	77	26	157	25

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing SEXUAL ORIENTATION discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months:**

**Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Sexual orientation Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Sexual orientation Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	55	7					62
	2-5 times	68	5	4				77
	6-10 times	23	2	1				26
	11-25 times	17	2	4				23
	26+ times	16	1	2	1			20
	Total	179	17	11	1			208

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing SEXUAL ORIENTATION discrimination/harassment in host country in the past 12 months:**

**Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Sexual orientation Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	14	11	9	11	8	6	1
	2-5 times	27	26	12	28	9	6	1
	6-10 times	17	17	10	9	6	5	2
	11-25 times	16	16	11	9	5	4	2
	26+ times	16	19	10	5	4	7	1
	Total PCVs	90	89	52	62	32	28	7

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing GENDER IDENTITY & EXPRESSION discrimination/harassment in host county in the past 12 months: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Gender identity & expression Discrimination/Harassment Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Gender identity & expression Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	33	3					36
	2-5 times	116	4	5				125
	6-10 times	31		1	1			33
	11-25 times	33		3		1		37
	26+ times	40		2	1		2	45
	Total	253	7	11	2	1	2	276

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G3: Volunteers experiencing GENDER IDENTITY & EXPRESSION discrimination/harassment in host county in the past 12 months: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Gender identity & expression Discrimination/ Harassment	Once	16	7	3	6	2	3	
	2-5 times	76	63	30	10	5	15	4
	6-10 times	21	21	12	3	1	7	1
	11-25 times	27	28	15	4	3	9	2
	26+ times	38	33	24	2		16	2
	Total PCVs	178	152	84	25	11	50	9

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G4: On average, how many times during a month do you experience sexual comments, jokes, gestures, looks or other non-physical sexual harassment?**

	Sexual harassment						Total
	None	1-5	6-10	11-20	21-60	More than 60 times a month	
Female	17%	29%	13%	14%	17%	11%	4138
Male	60%	24%	6%	4%	3%	2%	2534
Total	34%	27%	10%	10%	11%	8%	6672

**G5: How stressful is it when you experience sexual comments, jokes, gestures, looks or other non-physical sexual harassment?**

	Sexual harassment stress					Total
	Not applicable/ no experiences	Not at all stressful	Minimally stressful	Moderately stressful	Very stressful	
Female	15%	9%	42%	25%	8%	4132
Male	56%	19%	20%	5%	1%	2519
Total	31%	13%	34%	18%	5%	6651

**G5: How stressful is it when you experience sexual comments, jokes, gestures, looks or other non-physical sexual harassment?**

	Sexual harassment stress				Total
	Not at all stressful	Minimally stressful	Moderately stressful	Very stressful	
Female	11%	50%	30%	10%	3510
Male	43%	44%	11%	2%	1110
Total	18%	49%	25%	8%	4620

**G6: Please indicate the number of times you experienced the following types of crimes in your host county in the past 12 months: PERCENTAGES**

	Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	Total
Theft	70.1%	19.5%	9.8%	.4%	.2%	.0%	6318
Stalking	89.8%	5.2%	3.8%	.6%	.4%	.2%	6318
Burglary no assault	93.3%	4.9%	1.7%	.1%		.0%	6318
Other physical assault	91.1%	5.2%	3.0%	.3%	.3%	.2%	6318
Other sexual assault	89.8%	5.9%	3.5%	.4%	.3%	.1%	6318
Burglary with assault	99.7%	.3%	.0%			.0%	6318
Major physical assault	99.5%	.4%	.0%			.0%	6318
Aggravated assault	99.0%	.9%	.1%				6318
Robbery	96.6%	3.0%	.3%	.0%			6318
Major sexual assault	99.8%	.2%	.0%				6318
Attempted rape	99.6%	.4%	.0%	.0%			6318
Rape	99.7%	.3%		.0%			6318

**G6: Please indicate the number of times you experienced the following types of crimes in your host county in the past 12 months: NUMBERS**

	Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	Total
Theft	4430	1233	617	27	10	1	6318
Stalking	5675	327	243	38	24	11	6318
Burglary no assault	5893	311	107	6		1	6318
Other physical assault	5756	331	188	16	17	10	6318
Other sexual assault	5672	373	219	25	22	7	6318
Burglary with assault	6297	19	1			1	6318
Major physical assault	6288	27	1			2	6318
Aggravated assault	6252	60	6				6318
Other physical assault	5756	331	188	16	17	10	6318
Robbery	6106	191	20	1			6318
Major sexual assault	6305	11	2				6318
Attempted rape	6290	25	2	1			6318
Rape	6298	18		2			6318

**G6: Volunteers experiencing THEFT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Theft Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Theft	Once	630	602	1				1233
	2-5 times	327	150	140				617
	6-10 times	19	4	4				27
	11-25 times	7	2	1				10
	26+ times	1						1
	Total	984	758	146				1888

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing THEFT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Theft	Once	906	136	13	30	4	63	38
	2-5 times	486	148	13	21	4	53	19
	6-10 times	19	14	1	3		3	
	11-25 times	7	3	1	2		2	1
	26+ times				1			
	Total PCVs	1418	301	28	57	8	121	58

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing STALKING: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Stalking Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Stalking	Once	213	114					327
	2-5 times	174	38	31				243
	6-10 times	27	4	6	1			38
	11-25 times	18	3	2		1		24
	26+ times	9	1	1				11
	Total	441	160	40	1	1		643

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing STALKING: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Stalking	Once	144	131	10	2	4	12	6
	2-5 times	134	118	17		1	4	7
	6-10 times	19	25	4		1	4	4
	11-25 times	12	13	2	1		1	
	26+ times	7	5		1			1
	Total PCVs	316	292	33	4	6	21	18

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing BURGLARY NO ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Burglary no assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Burglary no assault	Once	88	223					311
	2-5 times	42	16	49				107
	6-10 times	1		3	2			6
	11-25 times							
	26+ times	1						1
	Total	132	239	52	2			425

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing BURGLARY NO ASSAULT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Burglary no assault	Once	187	68	2	1	2	24	10
	2-5 times	60	33	4	1		12	9
	6-10 times	2	2		2			
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	249	103	6	4	2	36	19

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing OTHER PHYSICAL ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Other physical assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Other physical assault	Once	221	110					331
	2-5 times	146	23	19				188
	6-10 times	15	1					16
	11-25 times	15	2					17
	26+ times	7		3				10
	Total	404	136	22				562

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing OTHER PHYSICAL ASSAULT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Other physical assault	Once	230	38	7	3		6	5
	2-5 times	150	30	5	2		2	2
	6-10 times	14	4					1
	11-25 times	14	1					
	26+ times	5	3	1				
	Total PCVs	413	76	13	5		8	8

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing OTHER SEXUAL ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Other sexual assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Other sexual assault	Once	264	106	3				373
	2-5 times	164	31	24				219
	6-10 times	21		3	1			25
	11-25 times	21		1				22
	26+ times	6		1				7
	Total		476	137	32	1		

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing OTHER SEXUAL ASSAULT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Other sexual assault	Once	216	74	18	9	2	19	2
	2-5 times	172	47	12	4	1	9	7
	6-10 times	16	9	2	1			
	11-25 times	19	7	2				
	26+ times	4	1					1
	Total PCVs	427	138	34	14	3	28	10

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing BURGLARY WITH ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Burglary with assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Burglary with assault	Once	5	14					19
	2-5 times	1						1
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times	1						1
	Total	7	14					21

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing BURGLARY WITH ASSAULT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Burglary with assault	Once	17	1					
	2-5 times	1						
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	18	1					

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing MAJOR PHYSICAL ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Major physical assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Major physical assault	Once	9	18					27
	2-5 times			1				1
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times	2						2
	Total	11	18	1				30

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing MAJOR PHYSICAL ASSAULT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Major physical assault	Once	24						
	2-5 times	1						
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times	1						
	Total PCVs	26						

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing AGGRAVATED ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Aggravated assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Aggravated assault	Once	15	45					60
	2-5 times	2	2	2				6
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total	17	47	2				66

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing ROBBERY: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Aggravated assault	Once	49	3					
	2-5 times	6	1					1
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	55	4					1

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing ROBBERY: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Robbery Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Robbery	Once	45	146					191
	2-5 times	7	4	9				20
	6-10 times	1						1
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total	53	150	9				212

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing ROBBERY: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Robbery	Once	156	4		2			1
	2-5 times	15						1
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	171	4		2			2

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing MAJOR SEXUAL ASSAULT: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Major sexual assault Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Major sexual assault	Once	5	6					11
	2-5 times	1	1					2
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total	6	7					13

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing MAJOR SEXUAL ASSAULT: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Major sexual assault	Once	4	2		1			
	2-5 times	1						
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	5	2		1			

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing ATTEMPTED RAPE: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Attempted rape Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Attempted rape	Once	15	10					25
	2-5 times	2						2
	6-10 times	1						1
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total	18	10					28

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing ATTEMPTED RAPE: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Attempted rape	Once	7	11	2	1		1	
	2-5 times		1				1	
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	7	12	2	1		2	

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing RAPE: Events by Number of Reports to PC**

		Rape Reporting						Total
		Never	Once	2-5 times	6-10 times	11-25 times	26+ times	
Rape	Once	4	14					18
	2-5 times							
	6-10 times	2						2
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total	6	14					20

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering how many times they reported the event/s.

**G6: Volunteers experiencing RAPE: Events by Person Responsible**

		Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host family member	Other
		Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible	Person Responsible
Rape	Once	10	7		1			
	2-5 times							
	6-10 times							
	11-25 times							
	26+ times							
	Total PCVs	10	7		1			

NOTE: Some PCVs provided the number of events without answering who was responsible.

**G7: If you experienced and reported any crime other than theft to the Peace Corps, please answer the following questions (regarding your interaction with the Peace Corps)**

	No	Somewhat	Yes	NA	Total
Did you feel post staff treated you in a compassionate manner during and after you reported the crime(s)?	6%	15%	56%	23%	890
Did post staff seem professional in their response?	5%	12%	61%	22%	890
Were your legal options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	18%	11%	31%	40%	890
Were your counseling options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	24%	7%	27%	43%	890
Were your medical options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	12%	5%	23%	60%	890
Do you feel Peace Corps maintained your confidentiality during this process?	4%	10%	59%	27%	890

**G7: If you experienced and reported any crime other than theft to the Peace Corps, please answer the following questions (regarding your interaction with the Peace Corps) excluding NA responses.**

	No	Somewhat	Yes	Total
Did you feel post staff treated you in a compassionate manner during and after you reported the crime(s)?	8%	20%	73%	688
Did post staff seem professional in their response?	6%	15%	79%	690
Were your legal options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	30%	18%	51%	538
Were your counseling options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	41%	12%	46%	509
Were your medical options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	30%	13%	57%	358
Do you feel Peace Corps maintained your confidentiality during this process?	6%	13%	81%	653

## H. HIV/AIDS Activities

This section reports Volunteers' level of involvement in HIV/AIDS work. It also reports Volunteers' assessment of their Peace Corps HIV/AIDS training and the perceived effectiveness of their HIV/AIDS work with host country individuals and groups.

### H2: Which of the following best describes your involvement in HIV/AIDS activities?

	Percent	Number
HIV/AIDS work is my primary assignment.	18%	1215
HIV/AIDS work is part of my secondary activities.	17%	1126
My HIV/AIDS efforts are not part of primary/secondary activities.	18%	1184
I have not been involved in any HIV/AIDS activities.	48%	3200
Total	100%	6725

### H1: How effective was the PC training you received in preparing you to undertake your HIV/AIDS activities?

	Not effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very effective	NA	Total
H1	4%	12%	29%	21%	12%	21%	6801

### H1: How effective was the PC training you received in preparing you to undertake your HIV/AIDS activities? (excluding the "NA" responses)

	Not effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very effective	Total
H1	6%	15%	37%	27%	15%	5382

### H3: In working with HC individuals or groups, how would you rate the effectiveness of your specific HIV/AIDS activities?

	Seldom effective	Sometimes effective	Often effective	Almost always effective	Don't know	Total
H3	4%	24%	29%	11%	32%	4517

### H3: In working with HC individuals or groups, how would you rate the effectiveness of your specific HIV/AIDS activities? (excluding both the "NA" and the H2="No involvement in HIV/AIDS activities" responses)

	Seldom effective	Sometimes effective	Often effective	Almost always effective	Total
H3	5%	36%	43%	17%	2926

## I. Life in the Peace Corps

This section reports Volunteers' descriptions of and adjustments to their living conditions, including stress factors and how Volunteers cope with stress.

### I1: Please choose the best description of your assigned site.

	Percent	Number
Rural town (pop. 2,000 + 25,000)	39%	2650
Village/rural area (pop. under 2,000)	38%	2622
City (pop. over 25,000) - not the capital	19%	1284
Capital of the country	3%	196
Outer island (regardless of size)	2%	126
Total	100%	6878

### I2: Have you lived with a host country individual or family?

	Percent	Number
No, I never lived with a host country individual/family.	2%	159
I lived with a host country individual/family during PST only.	36%	2471
Yes, in my community (not during PST).	4%	272
Yes, both during PST and later in my community.	58%	3978
Total	100%	6880

### I2: How long (in months) have you lived with a host country individual or family?

	1 month	2 months	3 months	4 months	5 months	6 months	1-11 months	12-16 months	17+ months	Total
Only during PST	5.0%	49.0%	44.2%	.7%	.0%		.7%	.2%	.2%	2300
After PST, not during	12.7%	13.8%	18.8%	13.5%	3.1%	7.3%	18.8%	5.8%	6.2%	260
During PST and After PST	1.4%	2.2%	6.8%	12.9%	9.3%	11.6%	22.0%	16.5%	17.3%	3891

**I3: How often do you interact with HCNs in community/family social events?**

	Daily	Several times a week	Weekly	Several times a month	Monthly	Less than once a month	Total
I3	39%	20%	15%	13%	7%	5%	6879

**I4: How integrated into your community do you feel now?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
I4	1%	9%	32%	39%	19%	6880

**I5a: Do you have the following at your worksite?**

	Never	Sometimes	Usually	Always	Total
Electricity	14%	11%	39%	36%	6822
Running water	25%	12%	30%	33%	6801

**I5b: Do you have the following at your residence?**

	Never	Sometimes	Usually	Always	Total
Electricity	14%	7%	44%	34%	6688
Running water	23%	10%	36%	31%	6676

**I6: How often do you have access to--?**

	Not at all	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Total
Landline phone	48%	4%	4%	8%	35%	6855
Computer	1%	2%	9%	12%	76%	6871
Internet	1%	3%	13%	26%	57%	6872
Cell phone (calls)	1%	0%	1%	4%	94%	6869
Text messaging	1%	0%	1%	3%	96%	6866
Voice over internet, like SKYPE	18%	14%	16%	17%	36%	6873
Webcam/internet video	25%	14%	14%	15%	32%	6856

**17: Where do you most frequently connect to the Internet?**

	Your residence	At work	Another person's home	Internet cafe	PC office/satellite office	Other: Please specify	Total
17	42%	15%	3%	21%	12%	6%	6881

**18: How long do you travel to access the internet using your typical transport method (one-way trip)?**

	Less than one hour	One to two hours	From two to four hours	Four to eight hours	More than eight hours	Total
18	74%	14%	8%	3%	1%	6597

**Percent of Volunteers Traveling to/from Internet Connection in One Day (19) by Travel Time (18)**

		19 Can you travel to your internet connection and back to your site in the same day assuming you use the internet for no more than two hours?		
		Yes	No	Total
18 How long do you travel to access the internet using your typical transport method (one-way trip)?	Less than one hour	79%	5%	4779
	One to two hours	14%	10%	908
	From two to four hours	6%	34%	543
	Four to eight hours	1%	39%	217
	More than eight hours	0%	12%	59
	Total	100%	100%	6506

**Number of Volunteers Traveling to/from Internet Connection in One Day (I9) by Travel Time (I8)**

		I9 Can you travel to your internet connection and back to your site in the same day assuming you use the internet for no more than two hours?		
		Yes	No	Total
I8 How long do you travel to access the internet using your typical transport method (one-way trip)?	Less than one hour	4754	25	4779
	One to two hours	863	45	908
	From two to four hours	384	159	543
	Four to eight hours	37	180	217
	More than eight hours	3	56	59
	Total	6041	465	6506

**I10: To what extent do the following create stress and/or emotional health issues for you?**

	Exceptionally stressful	Considerably stressful	Moderately stressful	Minimally stressful	Not at all stressful	NA/ Missing	Total Responses
	Cultural issues	4%	14%	36%	36%	10%	62
Dealing with violence in country such as domestic violence or civil unrest	4%	9%	20%	35%	33%	958	5940
Health/medical problems	3%	10%	25%	41%	21%	236	6662
Issues involving family, friends, loved ones outside of the country	5%	13%	26%	38%	19%	176	6722
Isolation/loneliness	6%	14%	27%	36%	17%	120	6778
Local language	4%	14%	32%	36%	14%	83	6815
Primary assignment activities	6%	18%	35%	31%	10%	113	6785
Romantic relationships in-country	3%	8%	19%	31%	39%	2116	4782
Interactions with other Volunteers	1%	4%	12%	36%	47%	94	6804
Interactions with PC staff	2%	5%	14%	37%	41%	90	6808
Safety and security	2%	4%	15%	42%	38%	96	6802
Working with counterparts/community partners	5%	16%	33%	33%	13%	89	6809

**I11: Please mark all of the typical ways in which you cope with stress.**

	PCV Responses	% Using This Stress Reducer	Total PCVs Responding
Talk with friends and family in the U.S.	5409	82%	
Pursue personal hobbies/interests	5192	78%	
Talk with PCVs outside my community	4952	75%	
Participate in sports/exercise	4365	66%	
Leave community for a time	3995	60%	
Talk with co-workers or friends who are not PCVs	3107	47%	
Talk with PCVs in my community	2859	43%	
Get involved in other projects	2595	39%	
Meditate	1657	25%	
Talk with my host family	1639	25%	
Pray	1347	20%	
Talk with Peace Corps in-country staff	1099	17%	
Talk with PC Volunteer Leaders or 3rd year Volunteers	744	11%	
Participate in other activities	611	9%	
Talk with Peer Support Network (PSN/VSN)	512	8%	
Talk with someone else	331	5%	
Talk with PC Counseling and Outreach Unit (formerly Office of Special Services)	137	2%	
Attend individual/group counseling	127	2%	
Total			6634

\*Percents total to more than 100% since Volunteers were asked to "mark all that apply."

**I11: When asked about ways of coping with stress, Volunteers who answered "No stress"**

	I have some stress	I have "No stress"	Total
I11.NOSTRESS	97%	3%	6898

**I12: How long does it take you to reach the nearest Peace Corps Volunteer (other than your spouse, if applicable) by your typical transport method (e.g., walking, bicycle, bus, etc.)?**

	0-15 minutes	16-30 minutes	31-60 minutes	61-120 minutes	More than 2 hours	Total
I12	30%	19%	24%	17%	9%	6870

**I13: How often do you see other Corps Volunteers (not including spouse, if applicable)?**

	Daily	Several times a week	Weekly	Every 2 weeks	Monthly	Less than once a month	Total
I13	7%	14%	27%	25%	19%	8%	6876

## J. Overall Assessment of Peace Corps Service

This section reports Volunteers' level of satisfaction with their Peace Corps service and their expectations about completing their service.

### J1: How personally rewarding do you find your--?

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	Total
Overall Peace Corps service	0%	5%	23%	41%	31%	6870
Primary assignment	4%	17%	34%	31%	15%	6863
Secondary/community service activities	3%	10%	32%	37%	18%	6789
Experiences with other Volunteers	1%	8%	25%	39%	27%	6860
Work with counterparts/community partners	3%	13%	35%	34%	15%	6857
Experiences with other host country individuals	1%	6%	26%	40%	28%	6861
Community involvement	2%	10%	32%	36%	20%	6816

### J2: Today, would you still make the same decision to join the Peace Corps?

	No	Probably not	Possibly	Probably	Definitely	Total
J2	1%	3%	9%	20%	67%	6871

### J3: Would you recommend Peace Corps service to others you think are qualified?

	No	Probably not	Possibly	Probably	Definitely	Total
J3	1%	2%	11%	20%	66%	6875

### J4: Do you intend to complete your Peace Corps service?

	No	Not sure	Yes	Might extend	Total
J4	1%	3%	74%	22%	6876

### J5: Would your host country benefit most if the Peace Corps program was---?

	Discontinued/Phased out	Reduced	Refocused/redesigned	Maintained as is	Expanded	Total
J5	4%	5%	46%	25%	20%	6847

NOTE: Paper survey question was "Would your host country benefit most if your primary project were--?" instead of "Would your host country benefit most if the Peace Corps program was---?"

## K. Background Information

This section reports on the age and gender of all respondents.

**K1: What is your age?**

	20-29	30-49	50+	Total
AGE3grp	83%	10%	7%	6808

**K2: What is your gender?**

	Female	Male	Total
GENDER	62%	38%	6741

Other demographic tables are available upon request

**APPENDIX**  
**PEACE CORPS 2011 ANNUAL VOLUNTEER SURVEY INSTRUMENT**  
**(QUESTIONNAIRE)**



## 2011 Annual Volunteer Survey (AVS)

The Annual Volunteer Survey is your chance to tell us about your life as a Peace Corps Volunteer. Your views and experiences are important to us and will be used by Director Williams, your country director, your post staff, and many others at Peace Corps' headquarters to improve our ability to meet the needs of the communities in which you serve and to enrich your experience as a Volunteer.

The 2011 AVS will take about 45 minutes to complete. When you take the environmentally friendly online AVS rather than completing a paper survey, your responses instantly become part of the global dataset with no risk of delay or loss in the mail. Your candid answers to each of the survey topics will provide a more accurate picture of all areas of your service, so please be sure to complete the entire survey.

Your anonymous responses will be combined and reported with other Volunteer responses at your post. Key global results will be publicly released as part of Peace Corps' performance monitoring and assessment process. Volunteers may request a summary of the 2011 AVS results from their country director as of November 1, 2011.

### A. Basic Information About You

1. Country: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Are you a:

- Currently serving Peace Corps Volunteer at site one month or more – *PLEASE CONTINUE*
- Currently serving Peace Corps Volunteer at site less than one month – *DELAY AVS UNTIL ONE FULL MONTH AT SITE*
- Trainee (not yet sworn in) – *PLEASE DELAY AVS UNTIL YOU ARE SWORN IN AND AT SITE ONE FULL MONTH*
- Peace Corps Response Volunteer at site one+ months – *PLEASE TAKE THE SEPARATE ONLINE RESPONSE SURVEY*
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

3. In what year and month did you ARRIVE in your current host country?

Before January 2009

**In 2009 in:**

- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

**In 2010 in:**

- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- November
- December

**In 2011 in:**

- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June
- July

**4. Please select your project from the following list:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Project listed here
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Project listed here, etc.
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Preparing for the Peace Corps**

**1. What prompted you to apply to the Peace Corps (PC)? Mark all that apply.**

<input type="radio"/> Advertisement	<input type="radio"/> Newspaper or magazine article
<input type="radio"/> AmeriCorps service	<input type="radio"/> Peace Corps_website
<input type="radio"/> Book about Peace Corps	<input type="radio"/> Presentation by returned PC Volunteer
<input type="radio"/> Family member/s who served in the Peace Corps	<input type="radio"/> Prior overseas experience
<input type="radio"/> Friends/co-workers/class mates	<input type="radio"/> Returned/current PC Volunteer you know
<input type="radio"/> PC campus or community information session	<input type="radio"/> School advisor or mentor
<input type="radio"/> Peace Corps material in the mail	<input type="radio"/> Social media network/website (Facebook, <u>etc</u> )
<input type="radio"/> Peace Corps recruiter	<input type="radio"/> Television or radio news story
<input type="radio"/> Other, please specify: _____	

**2. How important to you were the following factors when you accepted your Peace Corps assignment?**

	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Important	NA
a. Different culture	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Work experience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Help others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. International experience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Personal growth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. U. S. job market	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Serve my country	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Travel/adventure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Please specify "Other":</i> _____				

**3. How helpful were the following pre-departure materials and activities provided/suggested by Peace Corps?**

	Not Helpful	Somewhat Helpful	Very Helpful	Did not use/ NA
a. Peace Corps website information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Volunteer Assignment Description	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Volunteer Core Expectations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Welcome Book (on your country)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Emails from the Country Desk	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Conference call with PC staff in-country	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Peace Corps social media (YouTube, Facebook, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Not Helpful	Somewhat Helpful	Very Helpful	Did not use/ NA
h. Peace Corps country-specific website	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Contact with current Volunteers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Language resources	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Videos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Please specify "Other": _____				

**4. Upon departure for your host country, to what extent did your use of Peace Corps-provided pre-departure materials and activities prepare you for ---?**

	Not at all	Somewhat	Very
a. Learning a new language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Adjusting to new living conditions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Understanding your Volunteer assignment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Peace Corps mission and goals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Safety and security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Adapting to a new culture	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Peace Corps rules and regulations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Understanding what is expected of you	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**5. What other pre-departure materials/training activities might have been helpful to you in preparing for your service? Please provide up to three responses.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Prior to your Peace Corps service, what best describes how long you have lived or studied in another country?**

- |                                 |                        |                        |                          |                       |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Never lived/studied<br>overseas | Less than one<br>month | One to three<br>months | Four to eleven<br>months | One year or<br>more   |
| <input type="radio"/>           | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>    | <input type="radio"/> |

**7. How prepared for Peace Corps service did you feel when you arrived in-country?**

- |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Not at all            | Minimally             | Adequately            | Considerably          | Exceptionally         |
| <input type="radio"/> |

**C. Your Peace Corps Activities**

The term "primary assignment" refers to work that is part of an overall project plan designed by your host country partners and in-country Peace Corps staff. The term "secondary project/community service activities" refers to activities other than your primary project's work activities.

1. Which of the following best describes the focus of your primary assignment work? *Mark only one.*

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Agriculture/fish/livestock  | <input type="radio"/> Health extension                              | <input type="radio"/> Other education                                 |
| <input type="radio"/> Agroforestry                | <input type="radio"/> HIV/AIDS                                      | <input type="radio"/> Teacher training                                |
| <input type="radio"/> Business education/advising | <input type="radio"/> Information & communications technology (ICT) | <input type="radio"/> Urban & regional planning/municipal development |
| <input type="radio"/> Community development       | <input type="radio"/> Math/science teaching                         | <input type="radio"/> Water and sanitation                            |
| <input type="radio"/> English teaching            | <input type="radio"/> NGO development                               | <input type="radio"/> Youth development                               |
| <input type="radio"/> Environmental education     | <input type="radio"/> Other: _____                                  |   |
| <input type="radio"/> Forestry/parks              |   |   |

2. Are you a Master's International (MI) Volunteer?

- No                       Yes

3. Which of the following activities does your primary assignment work include? *Mark all that apply.*

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Arts   | <input type="radio"/> Infectious diseases (AIDS, malaria, etc)        | <input type="radio"/> Rural development   |
| <input type="radio"/> Biodiversity conservation                      | <input type="radio"/> Information and communications technology (ICT) | <input type="radio"/> Sports/fitness  |
| <input type="radio"/> Business advising                              | <input type="radio"/> Library development                             | <input type="radio"/> Urban/Municipal development                                   |
| <input type="radio"/> Child, maternal, and neonatal health           | <input type="radio"/> Literacy  | <input type="radio"/> Volunteerism/Mobilizing HCNs to volunteer (v2)                |
| <input type="radio"/> Community food security (production/marketing) | <input type="radio"/> Microenterprise development                     | <input type="radio"/> Water and sanitation  |
| <input type="radio"/> English teaching                               | <input type="radio"/> Natural resources management                    | <input type="radio"/> Work force development  |
| <input type="radio"/> Environment work                               | <input type="radio"/> NGO work  | <input type="radio"/> Working with the disabled                                     |
| <input type="radio"/> Gender equity/empowerment (WID/GAD)            | <input type="radio"/> Nutrition education                             | <input type="radio"/> Working with special groups (elderly, ethnic minorities, etc) |
| <input type="radio"/> Girls' education                               | <input type="radio"/> Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools            | <input type="radio"/> Working with youth  |
| <input type="radio"/> Household food security                        | <input type="radio"/> Renewable energy (cookstoves, etc)              |   |
| <input type="radio"/> Income generation                              |   |   |
| <input type="radio"/> Other: _____                                   |   |   |

4. How many hours do you spend on your primary assignment work during an average work week?

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours per average work week on primary assignment activities

5. Which of the following do your secondary project/community service activities include? *Mark all that apply or "No secondary/community service activities."*

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Arts   | <input type="radio"/> Infectious diseases (AIDS, malaria, etc)        | <input type="radio"/> Rural development   |
| <input type="radio"/> Biodiversity conservation                      | <input type="radio"/> Information and communications technology (ICT) | <input type="radio"/> Sports/fitness  |
| <input type="radio"/> Business advising                              | <input type="radio"/> Library development                             | <input type="radio"/> Urban/Municipal development                                   |
| <input type="radio"/> Child, maternal, and neonatal health           | <input type="radio"/> Literacy  | <input type="radio"/> Volunteerism/ Mobilizing HCNs to volunteer (v2)               |
| <input type="radio"/> Community food security (production/marketing) | <input type="radio"/> Microenterprise development                     | <input type="radio"/> Water and sanitation  |
| <input type="radio"/> English teaching                               | <input type="radio"/> Natural resources management                    | <input type="radio"/> Work force development  |
| <input type="radio"/> Environment work                               | <input type="radio"/> NGO work  | <input type="radio"/> Working with the disabled                                     |
| <input type="radio"/> Gender equity/empowerment (WID/GAD)            | <input type="radio"/> Nutrition education                             | <input type="radio"/> Working with special groups (elderly, ethnic minorities, etc) |
| <input type="radio"/> Girls' education                               | <input type="radio"/> Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools            | <input type="radio"/> Working with youth  |
| <input type="radio"/> Household food security                        | <input type="radio"/> Renewable energy (cookstoves, etc)              |   |
| <input type="radio"/> Income generation                              |   |   |
| <input type="radio"/> Other: _____                                   |   | <b><input type="radio"/> No secondary/community service activities</b>              |

6. How many hours do you spend on secondary project/community service activities during an average work week?

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours per average work week on secondary/community service activities

## D. Training for Your Peace Corps Assignment

1. In total, how many weeks of Pre-Service Training (PST) did you have before you were sworn in?

\_\_\_\_\_ weeks (Please estimate and round to the nearest whole number if needed)

2. Please evaluate your Pre-Service Training (PST) effectiveness in preparing you to:

	Not Effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very Effective	NA/No training
a. Manage cultural differences	0	0	0	0	0	0
b. Deal with adjustment issues	0	0	0	0	0	0
c. Work with counterparts/community partners	0	0	0	0	0	0
d. Use language needed in work/interactions	0	0	0	0	0	0
e. Perform technical aspects of your work	0	0	0	0	0	0
f. Work on your project goals and objectives	0	0	0	0	0	0
g. Conduct a participatory community needs assessment (e.g., PACA)	0	0	0	0	0	0
h. Monitor/evaluate project goals and outcomes	0	0	0	0	0	0
i. Maintain your physical health	0	0	0	0	0	0
j. Maintain your mental/emotional health	0	0	0	0	0	0
k. Maintain your personal safety and security	0	0	0	0	0	0
l. Identify the unique gender needs of women, girls, men, and boys (WID/GAD)	0	0	0	0	0	0

3. Since you were sworn in, how many days of Peace Corps-sponsored training have you had?

\_\_\_\_\_ days (please estimate if needed to the nearest whole number)

4. Please evaluate the effectiveness of your Peace Corps' In-Service Training (IST) in preparing you to:

*IST includes any training other than PST (e.g., Reconnect, technical IST, project management leadership conferences, sector conferences, Mid-Service conferences, and other post-sponsored workshops, conferences, and training)*

	Not Effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very Effective	NA/No Training
a. Manage cultural differences	0	0	0	0	0	0
b. Deal with adjustment issues	0	0	0	0	0	0
c. Build and strengthen working relationships with counterparts/community partners	0	0	0	0	0	0
d. Use language needed in work/interactions	0	0	0	0	0	0
e. Perform technical aspects of your work	0	0	0	0	0	0
f. Work on your project goals and objectives	0	0	0	0	0	0
g. Conduct a participatory community needs assessment (e.g., PACA)	0	0	0	0	0	0
h. Monitor/evaluate project goals and outcomes	0	0	0	0	0	0
i. Maintain your physical health	0	0	0	0	0	0
j. Maintain your mental/emotional health	0	0	0	0	0	0
k. Maintain your personal safety and security	0	0	0	0	0	0
l. Meet the unique gender needs of women, girls, men, and boys (WID/GAD)	0	0	0	0	0	0

5. Please list up to three other types of training, in addition to Peace Corps-provided training (including PST and IST), would be most helpful to you in your primary assignment work. Please include both the topic and the mode of training (e.g., online, classroom, video, etc.) that would be most useful to you.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

6. How well can you communicate in the language used by most local people in your community?

Not at all                      Poorly                      Adequately                      Well                      Very well  
                                                                                       

7. In general, how prepared do you feel today to meet the challenges of Peace Corps service?

Not at all                      Minimally                      Adequately                      Considerably                      Exceptionally  
                                                                                       

## E. Your Goals and Impact

1. To what extent does your work for your primary project--?

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	NA
a. Meet the objectives of the project plan	<input type="radio"/>					
b. Build local capacity for sustainability (Peace Corps Goal 1)	<input type="radio"/>					
c. Involve local people in planning and implementing activities	<input type="radio"/>					
d. Complement other local development activities	<input type="radio"/>					
e. Transfer skills to host country individuals and organizations (Peace Corps Goal 1)	<input type="radio"/>					
f. Mobilize host country individuals to volunteer/ Volunteerism (V2)	<input type="radio"/>					
g. Help promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served (Peace Corps Goal 2)	<input type="radio"/>					
h. Help promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans (Peace Corps Goal 3)	<input type="radio"/>					
i. Meet the unique gender needs of women, girls, men, and boys (Gender equity and empowerment/WID/GAD)	<input type="radio"/>					

**2. Overall, in all of your activities and interactions, how effective are you in transferring knowledge and skills to help the following build their capacities?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	NA
a. Your counterpart/community partner	<input type="radio"/>					
b. Your host institution/organization	<input type="radio"/>					
c. An organization other than your host institution	<input type="radio"/>					
d. Members of your host community	<input type="radio"/>					
e. Other Peace Corps Volunteers	<input type="radio"/>					
f. Other: _____	<input type="radio"/>					

**3. To what extent is your work effective in transferring skills and building capacity?**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally
a. Primary assignment	<input type="radio"/>				
b. Secondary/Community service activities	<input type="radio"/>				

**4. Please provide a detailed comment to explain your answers above about the effectiveness of your work.**

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**5. Based on all of your activities and interactions with host country nationals, to what extent have host country individuals gained a better understanding of Americans?**

Not at all      Minimally      Adequately      Considerably      Exceptionally      Too early to tell

                                                                                                            

**6. Peace Corps' Third Goal is to "help promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans." In which of the following Third-Goal activities, including your contact with family and friends, have you participated during your Peace Corps service? Mark all that apply or "No involvement in Third-Goal activities."**

- Participation in the Paul D. Coverdell World Wise School/Correspondence Match program (CWWS/CM)
- Electronic updates, stories and/or photos to inform Americans about your host country
- Hard copy/paper updates, stories, or photos to inform Americans about your host country
- Hosting American visitors (friends, family or others)
- Peace Corps Week activities
- Letter exchange (other than CWWS/CM)
- Personal website or blog to inform Americans about your host country
- Podcasting, creating a slide show or video that was posted online
- Posting to the Peace Corps Digital Library
- Posting through social media such as Facebook, Twitter or other social media
- While on home leave, speaking at a school or to a community group
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- No involvement in Third-Goal activities**

7. Based on your activities and interactions (e.g., in person and through electronic communications) with Americans during your Peace Corps service, to what extent have Americans gained a better understanding of the people of your host country?

Not at all      Minimally      Adequately      Considerably      Exceptionally      Too early to tell  
                                                                                                   

**F. Peace Corps Support**

1. When you arrived at your community, how prepared for your arrival were the host country people with whom you would be working?

Not at all                    Minimally                    Adequately                    Considerably                    Exceptionally  
                                                                               

2. To what extent is your country director aware of Volunteer issues and concerns through interactions with Volunteers?

Not at all                    Minimally                    Adequately                    Considerably                    Exceptionally  
                                                                               

3. How satisfied are you with the health care you received from your PCMO(s)?

Not at all      Minimally      Adequately      Considerably      Exceptionally      Not Used  
                                                                                                   

4. How satisfied are you with the following support provided by in-country Peace Corps staff?

*Please mark one response for each item.*

I am satisfied with in-country PC staff support for:	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally	NA
a. Administrative/logistical	<input type="radio"/>					
b. Cross-cultural	<input type="radio"/>					
c. Emotional	<input type="radio"/>					
d. Feedback on my work reports	<input type="radio"/>					
e. Job assignment	<input type="radio"/>					
f. Language learning	<input type="radio"/>					
g. Medical	<input type="radio"/>					
h. Monitoring/evaluating project goals	<input type="radio"/>					
i. Project specific technical skills	<input type="radio"/>					
j. Safety and security	<input type="radio"/>					
k. Site selection/preparation	<input type="radio"/>					

**5. Are you aware of services available from the following Peace Corps offices/staff?**

**No Yes**

- American Diversity Program [advice and guidance on Volunteer rights and responsibilities with regard to discrimination and harassment (sexual and non-sexual)]
- Counseling and Outreach Unit/formerly Office of Special Services [support for the emotional resiliency and well-being of Volunteers and staff]
- Office of Volunteer Support 's link to headquarters' medical quality improvement unit ([xxxxxxxx@peacecorps.gov](mailto:xxxxxxxx@peacecorps.gov)) [for non-urgent concerns about Volunteer healthcare]

**6. What level of support have you received from post staff to help you cope with stress from living and working in your community? Mark only one.**

**I received:**

- NA / I have no need for support to cope with stress from living and working in my community
- Exceptional support
- Considerable support
- Adequate support
- Minimal support
- No support

**7. How satisfied are you with your interaction (e.g., contact through in-person visits at post/your site, telephone calls, emails, texting, etc.) with post staff in terms of the following three topics?**

	Responsiveness to my issues			Providing useful information			My comfort level discussing issues		
	Not Satisfied	Satisfied	N/A	Not Satisfied	Satisfied	N/A	Not Satisfied	Satisfied	N/A
a. Country Director	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. PTO/DPT (Director of Programming and Training)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. APCD/Program Manager	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. PCMO	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Safety & Security Coordinator	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Training Manager	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Dir Management & Operations (formerly Admin Officer/AO)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Administrative Staff	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**8. In the last 12 months, which of the following Peace Corps representatives visited you at your site?**

Mark all that apply or "No Peace Corps representative has visited my site."

- Country Director
- APCD/Program Manager
- Safety & Security Coordinator
- Director of Management & Operations (AO)
- PC Volunteer Leader (regional, technical, etc)
- No Peace Corps representative has visited my site**
- PTO/DPT (Director of Programming and Training)
- PCMO
- Training Manager
- Administrative Staff
- Other : \_\_\_\_\_

**9. What is your preferred method to communicate with your Peace Corps office? Mark only one choice.**

- Cell phone calls
- Cell phone text messages (SMS)
- Emails
- Letters/postal service
- Landline telephone at residence or work
- Landline telephone not at residence or work

In-person visits

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. What area of staff support would you most like to see improved? Please describe.**

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**11. Are you enrolled in the Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools/Correspondence Match (CWWS/CM) program?**

- Don't know about the CWWS/CM program
- I am not enrolled in the CWWS/CM program
- I am enrolled and actively participating in CWWS/CM program
- I am enrolled but not actively participating for the following reason(s): *Mark all that apply.*
  - Cost of communication (Internet/mail) is a financial burden
  - Took too long to get a match
  - Never heard from teacher
  - Infrequently heard from teacher
  - Not a very interesting project
  - Took too much time away from other projects
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. How well informed are you about the following opportunities for returned Volunteers?**

	Not informed	Somewhat informed	Well informed
a. Peace Corps Response	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Paul D. Coverdell Fellows program	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Noncompetitive eligibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. RPCV Career Center in Washington, D.C.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Returned Volunteer Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**G. Your Safety and Security**

***Your answers will help us better support the personal safety of Volunteers.*** Your AVS responses are completely confidential, and you do not have to answer any questions. This section asks crime-related questions and provides shortened versions of the crime definitions used by the Office of Safety and Security. Your responses will be grouped with the responses from other Volunteers at your post and treated in a confidential manner.

*If you would like additional Peace Corps support, please refer to the contact information provided in this section.*

**1. How safe do you feel...?**

	Very unsafe	Less than adequately safe	Adequately safe	More than adequately safe	Very safe
a. Where you live	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Where you work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. When you travel in-country	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. In the city where the main PC office is located	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**2. Have you encountered insensitive comments or behavior towards you based on your race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identity and expression from any of the following people?**

	Yes	No	NA
a. Host/home stay family member(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Community member(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Other Volunteer(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Peace Corps staff in-country	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Counterpart/community partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Other: _____			

**3. Please answer the following questions about any discrimination/harassment you experienced in your host country during the past 12 months. Questions on sexual harassment follow.**

- If you have not experienced/reported discrimination/harassment, enter 0 in the shaded spaces.
- Where appropriate, indicate the person/s responsible for the discrimination/harassment.

Have You Experienced Discrimination/Harassment?									
Discrimination/harassment based on:	Number of times in the <u>last 12 months in your host country</u> that you:		Person/s Responsible for Discrimination/Harassment						
	Experienced	Reported to PC	Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker (not PC)	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host country family member	Other
a. Age			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Being an American			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Disability			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Gender			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Race/color			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Religion			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Sexual orientation			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Gender identity and expression			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you would like additional support regarding your experiences with discrimination/harassment, please consider contacting Safety and Security Coordinator, Peace Corps Medical Officer, Country Director, and/or:

**American Diversity Program**  
**Office of the Director/Peace Corps**  
 (###) ###-####  
[xxxx@peacecorps.gov](mailto:xxxx@peacecorps.gov)

4. On average, how many times during a month do you experience sexual comments, jokes, gestures, looks or other non-physical sexual harassment?

None                      1-5                      6-10                      11-20                      21-60                      More than 60 times a month  
                                                                                                             

5. How stressful is it when you experience sexual comments, jokes, gestures, looks or other non-physical sexual harassment?

Not applicable/  
no experiences                      Not at all  
stressful                      Minimally  
stressful                      Moderately  
stressful                      Very  
stressful  
                                                                                       

6. Please answer the following questions for any of the following crimes you experienced in your host country during the past 12 months. *Please refer to the crime definitions provided below, as needed and mark all that apply.*

- In the shaded spaces, please enter 0 if you have not experienced/reported the crime.
- Please indicate the person/s responsible for the crime/s where appropriate.

Experiencing Crime									
Type of Crime	Number of times in the last 12 months in your host country that you:		Type of Offender/s						
	Experienced	Reported to PC	Stranger	Someone you know (not PC)	Counterpart, supervisor, co-worker (not PC)	Peace Corps Volunteer	Peace Corps staff	Host country family member	Other
a. Theft			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Stalking			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Burglary – No assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Other physical assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Other sexual assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Burglary with assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Major physical assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Aggravated assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Robbery			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Major sexual assault			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Attempted rape			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Rape			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**CRIME DEFINITIONS:**

**Theft:** taking/attempting to take away your property or cash without involving force or illegal entry, e.g. pick-pocketing.

**Stalking:** repeated unwanted harassment and continual attention by an individual including: damaging property, issuing direct or indirect threats, repeatedly sending unwanted gifts, online stalking.

**Burglary - No assault:** unlawful or forcible entry of residence which usually, but not always, involves theft.

**Other physical assault:** aggressive contact that does not require you to use substantial force to escape and results in no injury or only minor injury.

**Other sexual assault:** unwanted or forced touching, fondling, groping, or kissing of your breasts, genitals, mouth, buttocks, or anus, or made you touch them.

**Burglary with assault:** unlawful or forcible entry of residence accompanied by Other Sexual Assault or aggressive contact which results in no injury or only minor injury.

**Major physical assault:** aggressive contact requiring you to use substantial force to disengage the offender or contact which resulted in major bodily injury, including an injury needing less than two days in hospital, x-rays, or suturing.

**Aggravated assault:** attack or threat of attack with a weapon in a manner capable of inflicting severe bodily injury or death, or without a weapon when severe bodily injury results.

**Robbery:** taking or attempting to take anything of value by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting you in fear of immediate harm.

**Major sexual assault:** forcible removal of your or the offender’s clothes, or sexual touching of either you or the offender that included one of the following: use of a weapon, physical injury to you, or your use of substantial force to disengage the offender.

**Attempted rape:** unsuccessful attempt to force you to have sexual intercourse or perform/receive oral sex, anal sex, or penetration by a finger or object without your consent and/or against your will (including if you were unable to give consent).

**Rape:** forced sexual intercourse or forcing you to perform/receive oral sex, anal sex, or penetration by a finger or object without your consent and/or against your will (including if you were unable to give consent).

7. If you experienced **and** reported **any crime other than theft** to the Peace Corps, please answer the following questions. Please skip to the next section if you did not report any crime to Peace Corps, or the only crime you experienced was theft.

	No	Somewhat	Yes	NA
a. Did you feel post staff treated you in a compassionate manner during and after you reported the crime(s)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Did post staff seem professional in their response?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Were your legal options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Were your counseling options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Were your medical options explained to you following your report of the incident(s)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Do you feel Peace Corps maintained your confidentiality during this process?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. Do you have any other comments to clarify or explain your answers to the above matrix of questions?

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9. If you did not report your experience(s) with crime, please explain your reason(s) for not reporting.

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If you would like to talk further with someone about your experiences or concerns, please consider contacting your Safety and Security Coordinator, Peace Corps Medical Officer, Country Director, and/or the following Peace Corps offices for additional support:

<p>Peace Corps Victim’s Advocate Office of the Director/Peace Corps: <a href="mailto:xxxxxxxxxxx@peacecorps.gov">xxxxxxxxxxx@peacecorps.gov</a> (###) ###-####</p>	<p>Counseling and Outreach Unit Volunteer Support/ Peace Corps <a href="mailto:xxx@peacecorps.gov">xxx@peacecorps.gov</a> (###) ###-####</p>
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## H. HIV/AIDS Activities

1. How effective was the Peace Corps training you received (PST, IST, and host-country sponsored) in preparing you to undertake your HIV/AIDS activities?

Not effective	Poor	Adequate	Effective	Very effective	NA
<input type="radio"/>					

2. Which of the following best describes your involvement in HIV/AIDS activities?

- HIV/AIDS work is part of my primary assignment.
- HIV/AIDS work is part of my secondary activities.
- I have been involved in HIV/AIDS efforts, but not as part of my primary assignment or secondary activities.
- I have not been involved in any HIV/AIDS related activities--Skip to the next section "Your life in the Peace Corps."

3. In working with host country individuals or groups, how would you rate the effectiveness of your specific HIV/AIDS activities?

Seldom effective	Sometimes effective	Often effective	Almost always effective	Don't know
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. Please explain your answer and provide examples or other comments about your work on HIV/AIDS:

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# I. Your Life in the Peace Corps

1. Please choose the best description of your assigned site. *If you live in the capital, mark only that choice.*

- Outer island (regardless of size)
- Village/rural area (pop. under 2,000)
- Rural town (pop. 2,000 + to 25,000)
- City (pop. over 25,000)—not the capital
- Capital of the country

2. Have you lived with a host country individual or family (including living in a family's compound)?

- No, I have never lived with a host country individual or family.
- Yes, I lived with a host country individual or family, but only during PST.
- Yes, in my community (not during PST).
- Yes, both during PST and later in my community.

If yes, how long have you lived with a host country individual or family? \_\_\_\_\_ Months

3. Outside of work, how often do you interact with host country nationals in community/family social events (e.g., family dinners, weddings, funerals, birthdays, or holidays)?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Daily                 | Several times a week  | Weekly                | Several times a month | Monthly               | Less than once a month |
| <input type="radio"/>  |

4. How integrated into your community do you feel now?

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Not at all            | Minimally             | Adequately            | Considerably          | Exceptionally         |
| <input type="radio"/> |

5. Do you have the following...

	...at your worksite?				...at your residence?			
	Never	Sometimes	Usually	Always	Never	Sometimes	Usually	Always
a. Electricity	<input type="radio"/>							
b. Running water	<input type="radio"/>							

6. How often do you have access to...? Please select the choice that best describes your typical situation.

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Less than monthly	Not at all
a. Landline phone	<input type="radio"/>				
b. Computer	<input type="radio"/>				
c. Internet	<input type="radio"/>				
d. Cell phone (calls)	<input type="radio"/>				
e. Text messaging	<input type="radio"/>				
f. Voice over internet, like SKYPE	<input type="radio"/>				
g. Webcam/internet video	<input type="radio"/>				

7. Where do you most frequently connect to the Internet? Mark only one.

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Your residence        | At work               | Another person's home | Internet cafe         | PC office/satellite office | Other                 |
| <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> |

**8. How long do you travel to access the internet using your typical transport method (one-way trip)?**

- Less than one hour  
 One to two hours  
 From two to four hours  
 Four to eight hours  
 More than eight hours

**9. Can you travel to your internet connection and back to your site in the same day, assuming you use the internet for no more than two hours?**

- Yes  
 No

**10. To what extent do the following create stress/emotional health issues for you?**

Factors creating stress/emotional health issues:	Not at all stressful	Minimally stressful	Moderately stressful	Considerably stressful	Exceptionally stressful	NA
a. Cultural issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Dealing with violence in country such as domestic violence or civil unrest	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Health/medical problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Issues involving family, friends, loved ones outside of country	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Isolation/loneliness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Local language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Primary assignment activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Romantic relationships in-country	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Interactions with other Volunteers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Interactions with PC staff	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Safety and security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Working with counterparts/ community partners	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. Other: _____						

**11. Please mark the typical ways in which you cope with stress.**

*Please mark all that apply or "No stress."*

<input type="radio"/> No stress (please proceed to the next question)	
I "talk" with: (i.e., in-person, by phone or email)	I do the following:
<input type="radio"/> Co-workers or friends who are not PCVs	<input type="radio"/> Attend individual/group counseling
<input type="radio"/> Friends and family in U.S.	<input type="radio"/> Get involved in other projects
<input type="radio"/> My host family	<input type="radio"/> Leave community for a time
<input type="radio"/> Peace Corps in-country staff	<input type="radio"/> Meditate
<input type="radio"/> Peer Support Network (PSN/VSN)	<input type="radio"/> Participate in sports/exercise
<input type="radio"/> PCVs in my community	<input type="radio"/> Pray
<input type="radio"/> PCVs outside my community	<input type="radio"/> Pursue personal hobbies/interests
<input type="radio"/> PC Volunteer Leaders or 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Volunteers	<input type="radio"/> Other activity: _____
<input type="radio"/> Counseling and Outreach Unit (formerly Office of Special Services)	
<input type="radio"/> Others I talk with: _____	

**12. How long does it take you to reach the nearest Peace Corps Volunteer (other than your spouse, if applicable) by your typical type of transportation (e.g., walking, bicycle, bus, etc.)?**

*Please estimate your travel minutes and select the most appropriate response.*

- 0-15 minutes       16-30 minutes       31-60 minutes       61-120 minutes       More than 2 hours

**13. How often do you see other Peace Corps Volunteers (not including spouse, if applicable)?**

- Daily
- Several times a week
- Weekly
- Every 2 weeks
- Monthly
- Less than once a month

**J. Overall Assessment of Your Peace Corps Service**

**1. How personally rewarding do you find your:**

	Not at all	Minimally	Adequately	Considerably	Exceptionally
a. Overall Peace Corps service	<input type="radio"/>				
b. Primary assignment	<input type="radio"/>				
c. Secondary/community service activities	<input type="radio"/>				
d. Experiences with other Volunteers	<input type="radio"/>				
e. Work with counterparts/ community partners	<input type="radio"/>				
f. Experiences with other host country individuals	<input type="radio"/>				
g. Community involvement	<input type="radio"/>				

**2. Today, would you still make the same decision to serve with the Peace Corps?**

- No       Probably not       Possibly       Probably       Definitely

**3. Would you recommend Peace Corps service to others you think are qualified?**

- No       Probably not       Possibly       Probably       Definitely

**4. Do you intend to complete your Peace Corps service?**

- No       Not sure       Yes       Might extend

**5. Would your host country benefit the most if the Peace Corps program (PAPER SURVEYS SUBSTITUTED: your primary project) were: Please mark one.**

- Discontinued/Phased out       Reduced       Refocused/redesigned       Maintained as is       Expanded

6. How can the Peace Corps better address the needs of your host country?

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7. What has been the best aspect of your Peace Corps service?

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8. If you have any additional comments that you would like to share, please do so here:

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**K. Background Information**

*This information allows us to confirm that the Volunteers responding to the 2011 AVS are representative of the demographic profile of Volunteers in general.*

1. Age: \_\_\_\_

2. Gender:

- Female
- Male

3. Are you Hispanic/Latino? Please mark only one.

- Yes, Hispanic/Latino (Of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race)
- No, not Hispanic/Latino

4. **What is your race?** *Mark as many as apply to indicate what you consider your race.*

- Asian American
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other

5. **What was your marital status at time of joining the Peace Corps?**

- Single, never married
- Married/serving with spouse
- Married/serving without spouse
- Domestic Partner
- Separated
- Divorced
- Widowed

6. **What is the highest educational level completed to date:** *Please mark only one.*

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Technical school graduate
- Community college/Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's degree
- Doctoral degree
- Other: Please explain \_\_\_\_\_

7. **Please enter the date you are scheduled to COS:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ mm/dd/yyyy

*If you don't know the day you are scheduled to COS, please enter the day as 01.*

**Thank you very much for completing the 2011 Annual Volunteer Survey!  
Your views will contribute to the 2011 AVS post, regional and global reports.**

***Please return your completed survey as soon as possible to your host country Peace Corps main office, but not later than August 19, 2011.***

***If you prefer to mail it to Peace Corps headquarters yourself, please mail it to:***

***OSIRP/Peace Corps, Room ####, 1111 20th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20526***