

CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR U.S. PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER

Peace Corps North Macedonia will have a new group of American Volunteers ready to offer skills and talents and collaborate with schools, municipalities, NGOs, or youth centers throughout the country beginning December 2024. We invite all those who are interested to apply for a U.S. Volunteer.

At the invitation of governments around the world, Peace Corps Volunteers work alongside community members on locally prioritized projects that build relationships, promote knowledge exchange, and make a lasting and measurable impact. Through a formal intergovernmental agreement signed in 1996, Peace Corps Volunteers started working with organizations and schools in North Macedonia to help meet the diverse needs of their communities and to strengthen the peace and friendship between the United States and North Macedonia. To this day, the three original goals of Peace Corps remain the same:

- To help the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women;
- To help promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served;
- To help promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans.

PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS WORKING IN SCHOOLS

American Volunteers in primary and secondary schools can provide support in two areas:

English Education

When Volunteers are supporting the English Education in the school, they collaborate with the English language teachers and conduct the following activities:

- Use of co-teaching approaches for planning and presenting English language lessons;
- Conduct interactive and student-centered activities during the class, using the English language as well as creative approaches in teaching;
- Develop supplemental materials to support English language instruction;
- Support extracurricular activities for English and Youth Development.

Inclusive Education

When Volunteers are working in the schools on Inclusive Education, they collaborate with special educators and other staff in the school on:

- Co-training teachers on inclusive education;
- Coach teachers to apply inclusive teaching practices in the classroom and model appropriate use of inclusive methodologies;
- Coach teachers and staff to work with parents to include them in the educational process of their student with special needs.

PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS WORKING IN CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS AND MUNICIPALITIES

Community Development Volunteers focus on supporting local communities and organizations to effectively manage sustainable community development. Volunteers will be working to advance the contributions of organizations and community groups as identified by community needs. Volunteers and their local counterparts will work alongside to achieve the following objectives:

- Advance the capacity of organizations and community groups to address identified community needs;
- Strengthen the life skills of youth through trainings, clubs and camps;
- Expand opportunities for community engagement, especially for youth.