

E-Appeal for Returned Peace Corps Volunteers

VERSION ONE

Dear RPCV:

When Courtney Owens was serving as an agriculture Volunteer in Burkina Faso, he was constantly pressured by the worry that he couldn't do enough for his community. Perhaps every RPCV has had those moments of doubt: *Can I do enough? Can I succeed?*

Today, the Peace Corps is working to make it easier for our Volunteers to succeed. To keep up with the demands of our host countries, we are implementing new, evidence-based training strategies that maximize the impact our 9,000 Volunteers can make by focusing on highly effective projects. Among other topics, new Volunteers are learning better ways to promote youth development, environmental awareness, and economic development.

In order for this new training campaign to succeed, we also need support from you. When you make a financial donation to the Peace Corps, you help our new generation of Volunteers receive the training they need so they can make the most positive possible impacts in their host communities around the world. Please help us today so we can make a difference tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Aaron S. Williams

VERSION TWO

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The Peace Corps is always changing. When I was a young college graduate, my parents initially questioned my desire to join the Peace Corps. It made more sense to them that I should seek a job rather than seek volunteer experience. Now, Americans routinely look upon Peace Corps service as a badge of honor.

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The average American believes that our country devotes 25 percent of its budget to foreign aid. As a returned Peace Corps Volunteer, you are probably aware that U.S. outlays for foreign aid, in fact, amount to only one percent of our national budget. Through your Peace Corps service—through your mind, your heart and your labor—you helped to maximize that one percent and make sure that the work America does in developing countries is meaningful.

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