



The Peace Corps Community in Connecticut

Connecticut Peace Corps Volunteers Through the Years

CONNECTICUT
VOLUNTEERS
SINCE 1961

3,697

2020: 78

2017: 111

2019: 88

2016: 116

2025
CONNECTICUT
VOLUNTEERS

52

2018: 110

1966: 308

5 Things to Know about the Peace Corps Community in Connecticut

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Peace Corps has educational partnerships with Yale University and Fairfield University. Historically among medium colleges and universities, Yale ranks 4th in the nation, producing nearly 800 Peace Corps Volunteers since 1961.

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National Peace Corps Association affiliate groups include the Connecticut Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (CTRPCV).

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As part of their commitment to service, recurring activities of the Connecticut RPCVs include volunteering at Darien Book Aid, bed-making at the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp in Ashford, sorting and packing food at the Connecticut food bank in Wallingford, and hiking trail maintenance in Chaplin.

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In 2024, CTRPCV through its Community Service Fund, awarded three grants totalling \$8,000. This included two \$2,000 scholarships to RPCV students continuing their education at an accredited Connecticut institution of higher learning.

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Former Democratic U.S. Senator Christopher Dodd served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in the Dominican Republic. Former Republican Congressman Christopher Shays also served in the Peace Corps, volunteering in Fiji.

*Based on data from Peace Corps, National Peace Corps Association, and other news sources.