

The Peace Corps Community in Kentucky

Kentucky Peace Corps Volunteers Through the Years

KENTUCKY
VOLUNTEERS
SINCE 1961

1,759

2020: 59

2017: 67

2019: 69

2016: 62

2025
KENTUCKY
VOLUNTEERS

25

2018: 70

1966: 92

5 Things to Know about the Peace Corps Community in Kentucky

1

Peace Corps has educational partnerships with the University of Kentucky, Murray State University, and Transylvania University. All three schools have Peace Corps Prep programs, through which students can select areas of study intended to make them more competitive applicants for Peace Corps service.

2

The Louie B. Nunn Center for Oral History at the University of Kentucky is working with local and national partners in the collection and preservation of audiovisual history interviews with Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs).

3

National Peace Corps Association affiliate groups include the Kentucky Peace Corps Association (KPCA). Leaders of the KPCA also serve on the board of directors of the International Book Project, which has been operating and greatly expanding over its nearly sixty year history.

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Brooke Forde, an Olympic swimmer who was born in Louisville, is currently serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Peru.

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Former Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao served as the 12th director of the Peace Corps under President George H.W. Bush from 1991–1992.

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



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