

AFFILIATE GROUP MATCHING GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

As part of National Peace Corps Association's (NPCAs) commitment to promote Peace Corps' Third Goal, NPCA will provide **up to 5 matching grants of \$500 to \$2000** per quarter (20 per calendar year) starting in 2025. The matching grants will support projects, activities or events that are hosted by RPCV affiliate groups in the following area:

- **Local advocacy efforts related to Peace Corps**
- **Environmental and Climate Change action**
- **Refugee and migrant support**
- **DEI programs that promote inclusivity**

The purpose of these grants is to provide financial support that promotes Peace Corps ideals and volunteerism, encourages US societal representation, stimulates regional and local advocacy efforts, and addresses the needs of communities that have benefited from volunteers in support of continuation of services. Funded projects will provide an opportunity for RPCV groups to market their activities and share ideas and practices that can be replicated.

Eligibility

1. The group must have completed the most recent NPCA re-affiliation survey (or be a group in its first year).
2. The project/activity/event must be used in the calendar year in which it is provided.
3. The project/activity/event for which the group request resources should be planned to reach a minimum of at least 25 people
4. The project/activity/event must contribute to the collective impact of NPCA in promoting Peace Corps ideals, in particular equity and inclusion
5. Application may be completed by any group member, but must be submitted by a member of the group's leadership (board of directors) on behalf of the group.

How to Apply

1. The completed application must be emailed to groups@peacecorpsconnect.org by the quarterly deadlines listed below
 - a. January 2, 2025
 - b. March 3, 2025
 - c. June 2, 2025
 - d. October 1, 2025
2. Complete and sign application form (page 2). **Required.**
3. Provide a description of the group and strategic priorities (page 3). **Required.**
4. Describe your project in two pages or less, (page 4). **Required.**
5. Provide a detailed budget (page 5), demonstrating group cash contributions. **Required.**
6. Add relevant documentation that supports the application, if desired. **Optional.**

Selection Criteria and Process

- Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
 - How well the **project/activity/event** supports the Third Goal of the Peace Corps
 - The impact of the **project/activity/event** on the community served
 - The **project/activity/event** demonstrates/promotes NPCAs DEI values/principles

- Capacity to support Peace Corps recruitment efforts that result in more volunteers entering service
- **Project/activity/event** is scalable and can serve as a model or inspiration for other groups
- The NPCA Board Affiliate Group Committee will evaluate applications and notify groups about decisions within one month.
 - a. January 31, 2025
 - b. March 31, 2025
 - c. June 30, 2025
 - d. October 1, 2025
- Maximum of one grant per year per group
- Groups are welcome to apply each year, but priority will be given to groups who have not previously received support.
- Successful group applications will be posted on the NPCA website and completed projects highlighted in other media. .

Timeline

Deadline to submit application	• January 2, 2025 • March 3, 2025 • June 2, 2025 • October 1, 2025
Committee selects and informs group of decision	• January 31, 2025 • March 31, 2025 • June 30, 2025 • October 31, 2025

National Peace Corps Association
COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
2024 Application

Type of Project (Choose one)

- ☐ Recruitment activities and send off events for Peace Corps invitees
- ☐ Local advocacy efforts related to Peace Corps
- ☐ Environmental and Climate Change action
- ☐ Refugee and migrant support
- ☐ DEI programs that promote inclusivity

NPCA Affiliate Group Name:

Point of Contact for this Application:

Name:

Group Position/Title:

Phone:

Email:

Submit the following the project document (maximum two -pages, size 12 font).

Project Title:

Project Summary (60 words or less):

Project Description (Goal and activities)

Activity Overview. Include the following.

- a. Goal
- b. Description of activity and implementation
- c. Target population
- d. Number of participants
- e. Project budget including matching funds
- f. Indicators (ie #of people reached, and how data will be collected)
- g. Organizational description, management structure and annual budget
- h. Level of group and/or community involvement
- i. **Activity results:** Describe the scope of the community/audience reached, the impact on that target community/audience and/or the benefit to the affiliate group.

How will the activity be promoted? (i.e. website, media, newsletter, social media, etc.)

Explain how this activity achieved the aims of the Peace Corps' Third Goal.

Ability to Replicate. How this activity can serve as an inspiration or model for other NPCA affiliate groups.

Submitted by

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Position in affiliate group:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

All application materials must be submitted electronically to groups@peacecorpsconnect.org
by **Thursday, January 2, 2025**.

Questions? Email groups@peacecorpsconnect.org

Thank you for your submission!