



In this President's Corner: 1) Rotary - Peace Corps Week information & registration; 2) Connect with your Clubs; 3) Share your joint projects; 4) PFP's report on Melbourne Rotary International Convention.

Greetings Partnering for Peace: Friends of Peace Corps and Rotary members and friends. I hope you are enjoying summer. We are putting the final touches on our plans for Rotary Peace Corps Week 2023. We took your feedback and kept the favorite topics and hope you will enjoy the schedule this year!

**Rotary - Peace Corps Week:
Celebrating our Connections
18-22 September 2023**

Rotary – Peace Corps Week’s goal is to foster wider awareness of the partnership. This year’s event, “Celebrating our Connections,” will focus on our accomplishments and give practical tips on how to strengthen the Rotarian-Peace Corps initiative. You and the entire Rotary and Peace Corps communities are cordially invited and asked to spread the news of this exciting virtual event! We look forward to your registration and participation.

Through daily Webinars/zoom calls, we will discuss:

- PC and Rotary leadership’s view of the Partnership opportunities - Monday
- Rotary Districts working with the PC Community - Tuesday
- Peace Corps country staffs working with Rotary - Wednesday
- Successful Joint Project examples that you can replicate - Thursday
- How RPCVs and Rotary Action Group for Peace lead together – Friday
- [Details and Registration here.](#)

3RD ANNUAL ROTARY- PEACE CORPS WEEK "CELEBRATING OUR CONNECTIONS" SEPTEMBER 18 - 22, 2023

Presented by:



PEACE THROUGH SERVICE, ACTION, AND DIVERSITY

MONDAY | 18 SEPT 2023
WEBINAR | 5:30 PM EDT

FEATURING:

- Jody Olsen, Former Peace Corps Director
- (TBD) Jennifer Jones, Immediate Past Rotary President

SUMMARY:

On the first day of our Rotary Peace Corps Week, two leaders - one from Peace Corps and one from Rotary - will talk about how service, action, and diversity contribute to peace and also how this can help us build a stronger partnership between Peace Corps and Rotary.

HOW TO MAKE THE ROTARY- PEACE CORPS CONNECTION WORK

TUESDAY | 19 SEPT 2023
WEBINAR | 8:00 PM EDT

FEATURING:

- Alan Kusunoki, PFP Outreach Chair
- Ellen Young, PFP Outreach Vice-Chair
- Charlie Hunt, PFP founding board member

SUMMARY:

How are US Rotary Districts and Clubs working with Returned PCVs? See what outreach is happening between these groups: from District Conference booths and flyers, joint socials, joint projects and outreach from District Governors to help find RPCVs. Get ideas for how you might take some steps to engage both groups and how Partnering for Peace can help.

CONNECTING IN-COUNTRY ROTARY CLUBS AND PEACE CORPS POSTS

WEDNESDAY | 20 SEPT 2023
PANEL | 9:00 AM EDT (90 MIN)

FEATURING:

- Lancashia Joseph-John, APCD, PC Dominica
- Kate Raftery, PC Expert Consultant
 - Peace Corps-Rotary connection in Uruguay
- Laura, Sundquist, PC Education Program Manager
 - Dominican Republic School Book Project
- (TBD) John Kanenungo, Rotary Zambia

SUMMARY:

The presentation brings two examples of Rotary adding support/benefits to PCVs by funding small projects or providing needed resources. Many Rotary clubs are looking for international projects and what better focus than Peace Corps Volunteers who are from their communities and are serving overseas? We will also discuss how Rotary clubs can help U.S. PC staff connect in their overseas cities.

SUCCESSFUL EXAMPLES OF JOINT ROTARY PEACE CORPS PROJECTS

THURSDAY | 21 SEPT 2023
PANEL | 2:00 PM EDT (75 MIN)

FEATURING:

- Bob Roberts, RPCV Peru and Rotary member
- Natasha Wanchek, RPCV Ukraine and Rotary member
- Steve Werner, RPCV S. Korea and Georgia and Rotary member

SUMMARY:

This panel discussion will deep dive into joint projects: whose idea it was, how it came together, and what was the benefit of joining together. From a broad set of agricultural, refugee, and water needs, the assessment, planning, and execution follow similar pathways to success. Come ask questions about how your ideas can turn into meaningful partnerships.

ROTARY + PEACE CORPS: A GLOBAL FORCE FOR PEACE

FRIDAY | 22 SEPT 2023
GROUP DISCUSSION | 2:00 PM EDT

FEATURING:

- Al Jubitz, Co-Founder Rotary Action Group for Peace
- Erin Thomas RPCV, Peace Fellow, Co-Founder Rotary Action Group for Peace,
- Barbara Muller, Chair Rotary e-club of World Peace,
- Mike Caruso RPCV, Founder of PeaceBuilder clubs

SUMMARY:

This interactive panel will share the goals and activities of the Rotary Action Group for Peace and active Returned Peace Corps Volunteers on local and world peace efforts and projects. They will discuss Rotary Peace Builder clubs, new and ongoing projects, and how we can support one another more closely and work together for our mutual benefit.

Partnering for Peace (PFP) is proudly hosting the third annual Rotary – Peace Corps Week. This is an opportunity for members of both organizations to collaborate, leverage efforts and resources, and co-create projects that will have an even greater impact.

PFP is a group of inspired and motivated RPCV-Rotarians promoting peace and the continuation of service through Rotary and Peace Corps

Register at
the QR code
or visit:
bit.ly/3rpi0ub



Also, we are asking the Rotary members and RPCVs throughout the US to reach out to your clubs to identify anyone with connections to a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer, welcoming them to come to visit – to tell their story – and to engage with the Rotary-Peace Corps Community. If you know of any PC community persons that aren't members of PFP, please ask them to [JOIN](#) or simply fill out this [FORM](#), and we will contact them to explain more of the opportunities poised by the partnership.

AND if you have a completed joint project between PC and Rotary communities, please share it [HERE](#). Let's keep connecting!

Finally, if you didn't see the report from PFP's participation and success at the Melbourne Rotary International Convention – take a look [HERE](#).

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Dixon, President
Partnering for Peace

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