California Senator Dianne Feinstein
Democrat (@SenFeinstein)

331 Hart Senate Office Building
202-224-3841

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the Senate: 1992

State Offices: Fresno, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco

Committee Assignments: Appropriations; Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Intelligence

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Senator Feinstein plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. She is not a member of State/Foreign Operations Subcommittee, which has direct jurisdiction over Peace Corps funding.

Key Staff: Rachel Bombach (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- District Office Meetings: 2015*, 2019*

From the Website (www.feinstein.senate.gov):
A native of San Francisco, she was elected to the San Francisco County Board of Supervisors in 1969 and served 2 ½ terms as President of the Board. She became Mayor of San Francisco in 1978. Senator Feinstein's career has been one of firsts. She was the first woman President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, the first woman Mayor of San Francisco, the first woman elected Senator of California, and the first woman member of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

(concerning foreign aid): Today, more than ever, it is critical that we continue to fund our U.S. International Affairs Budget. U.S. foreign assistance programs offer relief to the millions of victims of poverty, starvation, and illiteracy found throughout the developing world. By giving these communities in need the tools to target these root causes of terrorism, we not only help promote basic humanitarian values, we also help establish greater stability and security abroad, and encourage greater economic prosperity here at home.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed Senate “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2006-10, 2012-2019: YES

International Affairs Funding

● Signed Senate “Dear Colleague” Letters supporting robust international affairs funding
  2017, 2018: YES

Other

Peace Corps Mission Accountability Act (S.2320) - Legislation opposed by NPCA

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Reform Act of 2018 (S. 2286)

(signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): ORIGINAL CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (S. 2291)

● 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (S. 230)

(Signed into law 2014)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
● 113th Congress (2013-14): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
● Senator Feinstein also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

Peace Corps Improvement and Expansion Act:

(Not signed into law)

● 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
California Senator Kamala Harris
Democrat (@SenKamalaHarris)

112 Hart Senate Office Building
202-224-3553

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the Senate: 2017

State Offices: Fresno, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento, San Diego

Committee Assignments: Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Intelligence; Budget; Judiciary

Senator Harris sits on the Budget Committee, which sets the blueprint for overall federal spending, including our international affairs programs.

Key Staff: Joanna Derman (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2017*, 2018*, 2019*
- District Office Meetings: 2017*

From The Website (www.harris.senate.gov):
A lifelong public safety and civil rights leader, Senator-elect Kamala D. Harris is the first African American and the first woman to serve as Attorney General of California and the second African American woman to be elected to the United States Senate in history. Throughout her career as a prosecutor, Harris has been a tireless advocate for the most voiceless and vulnerable Californians.

Harris began her career in the Alameda County District Attorney’s Office, where she specialized in prosecuting child sexual assault cases. In 1998, she joined the San Francisco District Attorney’s Office, where she led the Career Criminal Unit. She also served as the head of the San Francisco City Attorney’s Division on Children and Families. Born in Oakland, California, Harris is a graduate of Howard University, America’s oldest historically black university. She received her law degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law. She is married to Doug Emhoff and is the author of the book Smart on Crime: A Career Prosecutor's Plan to Make Us Safer.

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(Senator Kamala Harris)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed Senate “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2018: YES  2019: NO

International Affairs Funding

● Signed Senate “Dear Colleague” Letters supporting robust international affairs funding
  2018: YES
  2017: NO

Other

Peace Corps Mission Accountability Act (S.2320) - Legislation opposed by NPCA
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

  Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Reform Act of 2018 (S. 2286)
  (signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

  Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (S. 2291)
● 113th Congress (2013-14): N/A

  Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (S. 230)
  (Signed into law 2014)
● 113th Congress (2013-14): N/A

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
  (Signed into law in 2011)
● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
California Representative Doug LaMalfa
Republican—1st District (@RepLaMalfa)

322 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-3076

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 1st District as of Sep. 2016: 29
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House: 2013

District Offices: Auburn, Oroville, Redding

Committee Assignments: Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: John Veale (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- District Office Meetings: 2015*, 2019*

From the Website (www.lamalfa.house.gov):

Doug LaMalfa is a fourth generation rice farmer and business owner who has lived in Northern California all his life. He and his wife, Jill, along with their four children make their home on the family farm in Richvale. Doug attended local schools and grew up learning the value of hard work and community service.

Doug earned his degree in Ag/Business from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. He now manages the family farming business originally founded by his great-grandfather in 1931.

(concerning foreign aid): American foreign policy must focus on promoting freedom, building strong alliances with our allies, and showing strength to our enemies. While foreign aid is an essential tool for diplomacy and providing humanitarian aid, we should never provide funds to countries that do not share our values or support the United States.
(Representative Doug LaMalfa)
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 2013 - 2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other
Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
  (Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)
● 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
  (Signed into law in 2014)
● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
  (Signed into law in 2011)
● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
Representative LaMalfa also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Jared Huffman
Democrat—2nd District (@RepHuffman)

1527 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-5161

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 2nd District as of Sep. 2016: 42
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in House: 2013

District Offices: Eureka; Fort Bragg; Petaluma; San Rafael; Ukiah

Committee Assignments: Natural Resources; Transportation & Infrastructure

Key Staff: Logan Ferree (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2016*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2013-2014
- District Office Meetings: None

From The Website (www.huffman.house.gov):

Huffman graduated magna cum laude from the University of California at Santa Barbara, where he was also a three-time NCAA All-American volleyball player. He went on to play for the USA Volleyball Team in 1987 when the team was ranked #1 in the world, before attending and graduating cum laude from Boston College Law School.

Huffman was a successful public interest attorney whose victories included several major jury verdicts in gender discrimination and race discrimination trials. He also served 12 years in local government as a Director of Marin County’s largest special district, the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD), from 1994 to 2006.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-18: YES 2019: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18) MEMBER
- 114th Congress (2015-16): MEMBER
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

Representative Huffman also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative John Garamendi
Democrat—3rd District (@RepGaramendi)

2368 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-1880
(RPCV – Ethiopia/1966-68)

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 3rd District as of Sep. 2016: 36
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2009

District Offices: Davis, Fairfield, Yuba City

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Betsy Thompson (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: Regularly
- DC Meetings With Staff: Regularly
- District Office Meetings: None (Garamendi spoke at NPCA’s annual gathering in Berkeley in 2015)

Congressman Garamendi has regularly spoken to fellow RPCVs at NPCA Advocacy programs. His staff has regularly met with NPCA staff. In 2019, NPCA presented Congressman Garamendi with its Congressional Leadership Award.

From the Website (www.garamendi.house.gov):

Garamendi was raised on his family’s cattle ranch in Mokelumne Hill. He graduated with a BA in business from UC Berkeley and an MBA from Harvard Business School. Garamendi and his wife started their married life as Peace Corps volunteers in Ethiopia.

(concerning foreign aid): “I know that an American hand extended in friendship can shape hearts and minds. America can do much to eradicate hunger and disease, and it’s important to recognize that desperation and hopelessness are kindling for extremism and violence…I will continue to support our military and services like the Peace Corps while working with our allies across the globe to achieve peace and security in our times.”

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(Representative John Garamendi)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
● Signed House "Dear Colleague" Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2010-19: YES (original signee)
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): MEMBER (Co-Chair)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER (Co-Chair)
● 2013-2016: MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): LEAD SPONSOR

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): CO-SPONSOR
● 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
● 2013-2016: CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): CO-SPONSOR
● 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
● 114th Congress (2015-16) Did not co-sponsor
● 113th Congress (2013-14) CO-SPONSOR

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)
● 113th Congress (2013-2014): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
● 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR (original co-sponsor)
● 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR (original co-sponsor)
● 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR (original co-sponsor)
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
● 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative Tom McClintock
Republican—4th District (@RepMcClintock)

2312 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-2511

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 4th District as of Sep. 2016: 22
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2009

District Offices: Roseville

Committee Assignments: Judiciary; Natural Resources

Key Staff: Andrew Keyes (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2011
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.mcclintock.house.gov):

First elected to the California Assembly at the age of 26, McClintock quickly distinguished himself as an expert in parliamentary procedure and fiscal policy. He served in the Assembly from 1982 to 1992 and again from 1996 to 2000. During these years, he authored California’s current lethal injection death penalty law, spearheaded the campaign to rebate $1.1 billion in tax over-collections to the people of California, and became the driving force in the legislature to abolish the car tax. He has proposed hundreds of specific reforms to streamline state government and reduce state spending.
(Representative Tom McClintock)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
● Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation: 2009: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: YES (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)
● 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
● 111th Congress (2009-10): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
● 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
● 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative Mike Thompson
Democrat—5th District (@RepThompson)

406 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-3311

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 5th District as of Sep. 2016: 22
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1999

District Offices: Napa; Santa Rosa; Vellejo

Committee Assignments: Ways and Means

Key Staff: Jennifer Goedke (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2010
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.mikethompson.house.gov):

Thompson was the first Vietnam veteran elected to the California State Senate. He served in combat with the U.S. Army as a staff sergeant/platoon leader with the 173rd Airborne Brigade where he was wounded and received a Purple Heart. He was also an instructor at the Army's Airborne School.

Thompson is a small vineyard owner and was a maintenance supervisor for the Beringer Winery. He has taught Public Administration and State Government at San Francisco State University and California State University, Chico.
(Representative Mike Thompson)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2012-19: NO
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008, 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR

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California Representative Doris Matsui
Democrat—6th District (@DorisMatsui)

2311 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-7163

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 6th District as of Sep. 2016: 10
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: March 2005

District Offices: Sacramento

Committee Assignments: Energy and Commerce; Rules

Key Staff: Emily Richardson (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2010, 2016, 2019
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.matsui.house.gov):

After growing up on a farm in California’s Central Valley, Congresswoman Matsui met her husband, the late Congressman Bob Matsui, while attending the University of California at Berkeley. During President Clinton's first term in office, she served as one of eight members of the President's transition board. She later served for six years as Deputy Assistant to the President in the White House Office of Public Liaison.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  - 2008: YES
  - 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
  (Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
  (Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
  (Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative Ami Bera
Democrat—7th District (@RepBera)

1727 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-5716

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 7th District as of Sep. 2016: 9
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House: 2013

District Offices: Sacramento

Committee Assignments: Foreign Affairs; Science, Space, and Technology

Congressman Bera sits on the Foreign Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over most Peace Corps legislation. He also serves on the Foreign Affairs Subcommittee responsible for the Peace Corps.

Key Staff: Ryan Uyehara (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2014, 2016, 2018
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.bera.house.gov):

Congressman Bera grew up believing America was a land of opportunity, where if you worked hard and played by the rules, you could reach your full potential. He attended California’s public schools from grammar school through medical school, earning both his B.S. and M.D. from the University of California, Irvine. He put himself through medical school, working part-time, taking advantage of federally-funded student loans, and graduating with less than $10,000 in debt. He credits much of his success to his country’s investment him, and he’s working to ensure that we continue to invest in hard working Americans to keep the American Dream alive for the next generation.
(Representative Ami Bera)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-19: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER
- 2013-2016: MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
- Representative Bera also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Paul Cook
Republican—8th District (@RepPaulCook)

1027 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-5861

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 8th District as of Sep. 2016: 13
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in House: 2013

District Offices: Apple Valley; Yucaipa

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Natural Resources

Congressman Cook sits on the Foreign Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over most Peace Corps legislation.

Key Staff: Joe Tavares (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: 2013, 2015*, 2016*, 2017, 2018, 2019*
  ● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.cook.house.gov):

An infantry officer who served with distinction in the United States Marine Corps and a veteran of the Vietnam War, Col. Cook’s military career spanned twenty-six years. His actions in combat earned him a number of honors, including two Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star Medal with a V for valor. He retired from the Marine Corps in 1992 as a colonel.

Holding a lifelong commitment to education, Cook has taught history and political science at Copper Mountain College, California State University San Bernardino (CSUSB), and University of California, Riverside (UCR). He holds a master’s in political science from UCR and a master’s in public administration from CSUSB.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-19: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): CO SPONSOR

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
● 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● Representative Cook also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Jerry McNerney
Democrat—9th District (@RepMcNerney)

2265 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-1947

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 9th District as of Sep. 2016: 12
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2007

District Offices: Antioch, Stockton

Committee Assignments: Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology

Key Staff: Svetlana Matt (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2011*, 2016* (2)
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2008, 2009, 2016*
- District Office Meetings: 2015* (Met with Congressman)

From the Website (www.mcnerney.house.gov):

McNerney, who has his Ph.D. in mathematics, served several years as an engineering contractor to Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico. In 1990 McNerney moved with his family to California, accepting a senior engineering position with U.S. Windpower, Kenetech. McNerney later began working as an energy consultant for PG&E, FloWind, the Electric Power Research Institute, and other utility companies. Prior to his election to Congress, he formed a start-up company that manufactures wind turbines. During his career in wind energy, McNerney’s work contributed to saving the equivalent of approximately 30 million barrels of oil, or 8.3 million tons of carbon dioxide.
(Representative Jerry McNerney)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2007 - 2019: YES
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008: NO  2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: CO-SPONSOR

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 111th Congress (2009-10): Did not co-sponsor
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- Representative McNerney also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

www.peacecorpsconnect.org  Updated February 2020
California Representative Joshua Harder Democrat—10th District (@RepJoshHarder)

131 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-4540

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 10th District as of Sep. 2016: 14
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2019

District Offices: Modesto

Committee Assignments: Agriculture; Education and Labor

Key Staff: Jessica Ilaria (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
• DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
• DC Meetings With Staff: 2019
• District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (harderforcongress.com):

Josh grew up in Turlock. (His) interest in public service stems from the deep-rooted values of community service and economic justice instilled in him by the daily example of his parents. Josh’s parents met more than three decades ago while serving as volunteers in a poverty health eye clinic in Latin America. To this day, Linda and Mark continue to devote four weeks of every year to service in Latin America by establishing and operating eye clinics.

Josh earned a scholarship from the local Rotary Club and American Legion to attend Stanford University. He majored in Political Science and Economics, deepening his passion for public service. After several years at Boston Consulting Group, he voluntarily took a leave of absence to organize small farmers in Kenya and Uganda while working with the Gates Foundation and other nonprofits. After working in Africa, Josh studied in the MBA / MPP Joint Degree program at the Harvard Business and Kennedy Schools.

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(Representative Joshua Harder)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2018-2019: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): CO-SPONSOR

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): N/A

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

www.peacecorpsconnect.org  Updated February 2020
California Representative
Mark DeSaulnier
Democrat—11th District (@RepDeSaulnier)

503 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-2095

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 11th District as of Sep. 2016: 34
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2015

District Offices: Richmond, Walnut Creek

Committee Assignments: Education and Labor; Oversight and Government Reform; Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Sarah Jackson (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2016, 2018
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.desaulnier.house.gov):

Mark DeSaulnier was born in Lowell, Massachusetts. He earned his BA in History from the College of the Holy Cross. DeSaulnier has been appointed to serve on the Education and the Workforce and Oversight and Government Reform Committees. DeSaulnier served in the California State Senate where he held the position as Chair of the Transportation and Housing Committee. DeSaulnier served locally as a Concord City Council Member and as Mayor.

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(Representative Mark Desaulnier)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16) Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
(Not Applicable)

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
(Not Applicable)
California Representative Nancy Pelosi  
(House Speaker)  
Democrat—12th District (@NancyPelosi)  

1236 Longworth House Office Building  
202-225-4965  

California Current Volunteers: 851  
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)  
Volunteers in the 12th District as of Sep. 2016: 22  
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752  

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1987  

District Offices: San Francisco  

Committee Assignments: N/A  

Key Staff: Wyndee Parker (Foreign Policy Issues)  

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):  
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2011*  
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2007, 2011, 2019  
- District Office Meetings: None  

From the Website (www.pelosi.house.gov):  

Pelosi hails from a strong family tradition of public service. Her father, Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., served as Mayor of Baltimore for 12 years, after representing the city for five terms in Congress. Her brother, Thomas D'Alesandro III, also served as Mayor of Baltimore.  

Pelosi has long been an advocate for human rights around the world. She has fought to improve China's human rights record, attempting to tie trade to increased human rights standards. She has also been a leader on efforts to free the people of Tibet.  

(concerning foreign affairs): Globally, thirty-three million are HIV-positive. Each and every day, another 7,400 people become infected with HIV. There is a moral imperative to combat this epidemic. The need for stronger U.S. leadership and a sustained commitment from the international community is clear.  

"Throughout our history, our international standing has rested in part on our democratic values and our commitment to human rights. Everywhere I travel, the call is clear: the world needs America to lead. We must work towards a sustainable foreign policy that reflects American values."  

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Because of her leadership position, Speaker Pelosi does not take many if any actions on the following items.

**Peace Corps Funding**
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation: 2008, 2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: DID NOT VOTE (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)
- In 2009, during floor debate on the international affairs budget, Representative Pelosi voted against an amendment that would have reduced the size of a recommended funding increase for the Peace Corps. She should be thanked for this.

**Peace Corps Caucus**
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join

  **Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)**
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

  **Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)**
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

  **Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)**
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

**Other**

- **Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)**
  (Signed into law in 2018)
  - 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
  - 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

- **Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)**
- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

- **Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)**
  (Signed into law in 2014)
  - 111th Congress (2009-10): Did not co-sponsor, but part of a unanimous vote that passed the legislation
  - 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
  - 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
  - 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

- **Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011**
  (Signed into law in 2011)
  - 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative Barbara Lee
Democrat—13th District (@RepBarbaraLee)

2470 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-2661

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 13th District as of Sep. 2016: 28
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1998

District Offices: Oakland; Alameda; San Leandro

Committee Assignments: Appropriations; Budget

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Congresswoman Lee plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. She is also a member of State/Foreign Operations Subcommittee, which has direct jurisdiction over Peace Corps funding.

Congresswoman Lee also sits on the Budget Committee, which puts forth a budget blueprint each year for federal spending, including funding levels for international affairs programs.

Key Staff: Samira Damavandi (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2011*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2009-2010, 2013, 2016, 2017
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.lee.house.gov):
Her accomplishments are many, including authoring or co-authoring every major piece of legislation dealing with global HIV/AIDS issues since she was elected to Congress. This includes legislation that created the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria, and the position of Special Advisor for Orphans and Vulnerable Children. She has secured millions of dollars for HIV/AIDS prevention, education, treatment and care services in Alameda County. Congresswoman Lee has been a leader in the bipartisan effort in Congress to end the ongoing genocide in Darfur, Sudan, including the passage of legislation she authored to allow divestment from companies doing business in the region.

(on foreign affairs): “Development, diplomacy, and international cooperation must be the cornerstones of our foreign policy. We need to stop these endless wars and rejoin the international community by investing in smart security, fighting global poverty, and combating HIV/AIDS and other diseases.”

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(Representative Barbara Lee)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  - 2007-2010: NO
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  - 2008, 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)


Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER
- 2013-2016: MEMBER

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): LEAD SPONSOR
- 2013-2016: LEAD SPONSOR

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) DID NOT VOTE

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR

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California Representative Jackie Speier
Democrat—14th District (@RepSpeier)

2465 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-3531

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 14th District as of Sep. 2016: 21
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2008

District Offices: San Mateo

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Oversight and Government Reform; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

Key Staff: Mitchel Hochberg (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.speier.house.gov):

Jackie received a BA in Political Science from the University of California at Davis and a JD from UC Hastings College of the Law. Along with her husband, Barry Dennis, and children, Jackson and Stephanie, Jackie is a proud fan of the 2012 World Champion San Francisco Giants and she enjoys yoga, golf, and anything that allows her to spend time with her family.

(concerning foreign aid): Foreign aid makes up less than 1% of our budget, but it is one of our most effective policy tools. The United States is continuing to restore its image after years of bad decisions that have damaged our standing throughout the world and placed our national and economic security at grave risk. Congresswoman Speier believes in modernizing our foreign assistance programs to better address the global challenges of the 21st century, including terrorism, poverty, pandemic disease, climate change, energy security, failing states, food insecurity, slowed economic growth, and population and migration issues.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:
- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2008-2009: NO  
  2010-2019: YES
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008: NO  
  2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) DID NOT VOTE

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR

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California Representative Eric Swalwell
Democrat—15th District (@RepSwalwell)

407 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-5065

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 15th District as of Sep. 2016: 4
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2013

District Offices: Hayward; Pleasanton

Committee Assignments: Intelligence; Judiciary

Key Staff: Jonathan Miller (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2018, 2019
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.swalwell.house.gov):

After college, Congressman Swalwell graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law. Inspired by his father’s service as a police officer, he joined the Alameda County District Attorney’s Office to protect victims and serve the cause of justice. In the seven years Congressman Swalwell served in that office, he prosecuted thousands of cases and tried 34 jury trials to verdict, ranging from domestic violence, to elder abuse, to human trafficking, to three first-degree murders. He also assisted District Attorney Nancy O’Malley with the office’s federal advocacy, traveling to Washington, DC to pursue grant funding and advocate for tougher human trafficking laws.
(Representative Eric Swalwell)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-19: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)


Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

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California Representative Jim Costa
Democrat—16th District (@RepJimCosta)

2081 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-3341

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 16th District as of Sep. 2016: 9
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2005

District Offices: Fresno; Merced

Committee Assignments: Natural Resources; Agriculture; Foreign Affairs

Key Staff: Bradley Hart (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2015 (briefly)
● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (http://costa.house.gov):

Raised on a dairy farm in Fresno's Kearney Park area, Congressman Costa is a third-generation family farmer. As a Member of Congress, Costa has applied his farming background to fighting for Valley water, agriculture, and the economy.

A product of Fresno County Schools, Costa is a graduate of San Joaquin Memorial High School and has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from California State University, Fresno. Before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, Costa served for 24 years in the California State Legislature.

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(Representative Jim Costa)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008: NO  2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER
- 2013-2016: MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)


Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- Representative Costa also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Ro Khanna
Democrat—17th District (@RepRoKhanna)

221 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-2631

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2017

District Offices: Santa Clara

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Budget; Oversight and Government Reform

Congressman Khanna sits on the Budget Committee, which is responsible for establishing an overall spending blueprint for all government programs, including our international affairs programs.

Key Staff: Geo Saba (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (https://khanna.house.gov/about/about-rep-khanna):

Rep. Khanna is committed to representing the people and ideas rooted in Silicon Valley to the nation and throughout the world. Rep. Khanna was born in Philadelphia, PA...to a middle-class family. His parents immigrated to the United States in the 1970s from India in search of opportunity and a better life for their children. His father is a chemical engineer and his mother is a substitute school teacher.

Rep. Khanna’s commitment to public service was inspired by his grandfather who was active in Gandhi’s independence movement, worked with Lala Lajpat Rai in India, and spent several years in jail for promoting human rights. Prior to serving in Congress, Rep. Khanna taught economics at Stanford University, law at Santa Clara University, and American Jurisprudence at San Francisco State University...Rep. Khanna served in President Barack Obama’s administration as Deputy Assistant Secretary at the U.S. Department of Commerce. In 2012, California Governor Jerry Brown appointed him to the California Workforce Investment Board.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2017: NO
  2018, 2019: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)


Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR
California Representative Anna G. Eshoo
Democrat—18th District (@RepAnnaEshoo)

202 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-8104

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 18th District as of Sep. 2016: 27
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1993

District Offices: Palo Alto

Committee Assignments: Energy and Commerce

Key Staff: Matthew McMurray (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2014*, 2016*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2018*, 2019*
- District Office Meetings: 2015* (Met with Congresswoman)

From the Website (www.eshoo.house.gov):

Representative Eshoo was born in New Britain, Connecticut, of Assyrian and Armenian heritage.

Eshoo is a graduate of Cañada College and the CORO Foundation. She was awarded an Honorary Degree by Menlo College and was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors in 1982. She served on the County Board for ten years before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1992.

(concerning foreign affairs): Rep. Eshoo believes that the United States has a special responsibility to be a global leader, and to engage with other countries around the world to resolve conflicts, alleviate humanitarian crises, and improve development and trade.
(Representative Anna G. Eshoo)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2005 - 2008: NO
  2009 - 2019: YES

- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008: NO
  2009: YES

- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER
- 2013-2016: MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- Representative Eshoo also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Zoe Lofgren
Democrat—19th District (@RepZoeLofgren)

1401 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-3072

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 19th District as of Sep. 2016: 12
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1995

District Offices: San Jose

Committee Assignments: House Administration; Judiciary; Science, Space and Technology; Joint Library

Key Staff: Arlet Abrahamian (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2011, 2018*
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.lofgren.house.gov):

Representative Lofgren was born on December 21, 1947 in San Mateo, California. Throughout her life, she attended public school in Palo Alto, California and then earned a B.A. in political science from Stanford University in 1970. She went on to receive her J.D., cum laude, from the University of Santa Clara School of Law in 1975.
(Representative Zoe Lofgren)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2005 - 2008: NO
  2009 - 2019: YES
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008: YES  2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
- 111th Congress (2009-10): Did not co-sponsor, but part of a unanimous vote that passed it
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative
Jimmy Panetta
Democrat—20th District
(@RepJimmyPanetta)

212 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-2861

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 20th District as of Sep. 2016: 20
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2017

District Offices: Salinas, Santa Cruz

Committee Assignments: Agriculture; Budget; Ways and Means

Key Staff: Matt Manning (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None

From the Website (www.panetta.house.gov):
Through Congressman Panetta’s eight years of service with the United States Navy Reserve, he has a deep and personal connection to our nation’s veterans and military families. In 2007, he volunteered for active duty and was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He worked with Special Forces units and as a result of his meritorious service in a combat zone, Congressman Panetta was awarded the Bronze Star.

In addition to serving his nation in uniform, Congressman Panetta served as a board member of the Veterans Transition Center where he focused on ending veterans’ homelessness and improving resources for his fellow veterans and their families. He also pushed for the opening of Monterey County’s first Veterans Treatment Court to ensure veterans receive the services they earned.

Most recently before his election to Congress, Congressman Panetta served his community as the deputy district attorney for Monterey County, which includes the city of Salinas. In this role, he prosecuted violent gang members to pursue justice for victims, protect families and make communities safer. Congressman Panetta graduated from the University of California at Davis with an undergraduate degree in International Relations and received his law degree from Santa Clara University. He is married to Carrie McIntyre Panetta, a Superior Court judge in Monterey County.

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(Representative Jimmy Panetta)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16) N/A

Other
Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A
California Representative TJ Cox
Democrat—21st District (@RepTjCox)

1728 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-4695

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 21st District as of Sep. 2016: 10
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House: 2019

District Offices: Hanford; Bakersfield

Committee Assignments: Agriculture; Natural Resources

Key Staff: Jared Henderson (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (tjcoxforcongress.com):

After working his way through college, TJ spent a decade in engineering and construction across the globe. Volunteering for Habitat for Humanity in Fresno led him to create the Central Valley Fund, which raises money for projects located in economically-disadvantaged neighborhoods throughout the Central Valley. As the founder of two innovative and successful nut processing businesses, TJ Cox knows firsthand that agriculture drives our Central Valley economy. A father of four, TJ will always fight to get real results for our community – results that give hard-working families the opportunity to succeed. That means affordable, quality health care for all, protecting Medicare and Social Security, supporting education, and implementing an immigration policy that works for everyone. Moreover, in TJ’s engineering career he has built dams and water conveyance systems. He knows how to quickly deliver more water to the Central Valley and conserve it for the future.
(Representative TJ Cox)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2018-19: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A
California Representative Devin Nunes
Republican—22nd District (@DevinNunes)
1013 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-2523

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 22nd District as of Sep. 2016: 3
California Volunteers Since 1961: 30,887

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2003

District Offices: Clovis, Visalia

Committee Assignments: Ways and Means, Intelligence, Taxation

Key Staff: Jack Langer (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
● DC Meetings With Staff: 2014*
● District Office Meetings: 2019*

From the Website (www.nunes.house.gov):

Nunes was born in Tulare, California. His family has operated a farm in Tulare County for three generations. The Nunes family is of Portuguese descent, emigrating from the Azores to California.

Nunes graduated from Tulare Union High School. He is the second Member of Congress to attend Tulare Union, following Olympic gold medalist Bob Mathias three-decades later, who served in House of Representatives from 1967-1975. After associate's work at College of the Sequoias, Nunes graduated from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, where he received a bachelor's degree in agricultural business and a master's degree in agriculture.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation: 2008, 2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: YES (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): Did not co-sponsor, but part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- Representative Nunes also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative
Kevin McCarthy (Minority Leader)
Republican—23rd District (@GOPLeader)

2468 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-2915

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 23rd District as of Sep. 2016: 7
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2007

District Offices: Bakersfield

Committee Assignments: N/A (As Minority Leader of the House, Representative McCarthy does not have committee assignments)

Key Staff: Braden Murphy (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2018
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.kevinmccarthy.house.gov):

First elected in 2006, Kevin is a native of Bakersfield and a fourth-generation Kern County resident. He is committed to policies that give small businesses and entrepreneurs the confidence they need to hire, expand, invest and innovate. After the 2010 midterm elections, Kevin was elected by his colleagues to serve as Majority Whip of the United States House of Representatives.
(Representative Kevin McCarthy)

Because of his leadership position, Minority Leader McCarthy does not take many if any actions on the following items.

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation: 2008, 2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative Salud Carbajal
Democrat—24th District (@RepCarbajal)

1431 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-3601

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 24th District as of Sep. 2016: 24
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2017

District Offices: San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Samantha Price (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2009, None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (https://carbajal.house.gov/about):
Carbajal graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB) with a degree in Iberian Studies. He holds a Masters Degree in Organizational Management from the Fielding University. Salud served eight years in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, including active duty service during the 1991 Gulf War.

Carbajal formerly worked as Program Director in the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department, Assistant Executive Director of Zone Seca, Parent Involvement Coordinator for the Head Start Program, and Program Director for the City of Santa Barbara Lower Westside Recreation Program. Prior to representing the Central Coast in Congress, Salud served as Santa Barbara County’s First District Supervisor for twelve years.

Over the years, Salud’s public service has demonstrated a strong commitment to protecting our natural environment and resources, enhancing public safety, and working regionally to address our transportation, housing, and workforce challenges.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2017, 2018: YES    2019: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A
25th District

Currently Vacant
(A special election is scheduled May 12, 2020)

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 25th District as of Sep. 2016: 16
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives:

District Offices:

Committee Assignments:

Key Staff:

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):

- DC Meetings With Lawmaker:
- DC Meetings With Staff:
- District Office Meetings:

From the Website

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Currently Vacant
(A special election is scheduled May 12, 2020)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding:

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020):
- 115th Congress (2017-18):

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020):

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020):
- 115th Congress (2017-18):

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020):
- 115th Congress (2017-18):

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18):
- 114th Congress (2015-16):
California Representative Julia Brownley
Democrat—26th District (@JuliaBrownley26)

2262 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-5811

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 26th District as of Sep. 2016: 20
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in House: 2013

District Offices: Oxnard, Thousand Oaks

Committee Assignments: Veterans Affairs; Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Ryan Dillon (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):

- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2014
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2014*, 2016, 2018
- District Office Meetings: 2018*

From the Website (www.brownley.house.gov):

After graduating with a B.A. in political science from George Washington University and earning an M.B.A. from American University, Assemblywoman Brownley worked in marketing in private industry before finding her true calling in public service.

Brownley began her career in public service as a School Board member in 1994 where she served three terms. She was elected to the California State Legislature in 2006, where she served as Chairwoman of the Assembly Education Committee for four years. In addition to chairing the California Assembly Education Committee, she served on every educational committee in the Assembly including the Committee on Higher Education, Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance, and the State Allocation Board.

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On the Issues
Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  - 2013: NO
  - 2014-2019: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
- Representative Brownley also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey
California Representative Judy Chu
Democrat—27th District (@RepJudyChu)
2423 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-5464

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 27th District as of Sep. 2016: 47
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2009

District Offices: Claremont; Pasadena

Committee Assignments: Ways and Means; Small Business;

Key Staff: Mike Kuiken (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2016*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2010
- District Office Meetings: 2015* (with member)

From The Website (www.chu.house.gov):

Representative Chu earned her B.A. in mathematics from UCLA and her Ph.D. in psychology from the California School of Professional Psychology. Her career began as an educator. She taught psychology at Los Angeles City College and East Los Angeles College for 20 years.

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(Representative Judy Chu)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2009: NO  2010-2019: YES
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 115th Congress (2017-18) Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
  (Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
  (Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14):CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
  (Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- Representative Chu also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey
Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2001

District Offices: Burbank

Committee Assignments: Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

Key Staff: Joe Jankiewicz (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: 2012, 2013
  ● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.schiff.house.gov):

Born on June 22, 1960, Adam is a graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School.

(concerning foreign affairs): While the use of military force should never be ruled out, Schiff believes that our nation’s diplomats are our first line of defense. Concerted efforts to seek diplomatic solutions to international crises can often produce better results for America than the use of force.
(Representative Adam Schiff)
On the Issues
Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  - 2008: NO
  - 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
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- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
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Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- Representative Schiff also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey
California Representative Tony Cardenas
Democrat—29th District (@RepCardenas)

2438 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-6131

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 29th District as of Sep. 2016: 4
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House: 2013

District Offices: Panorama City

Committee Assignments: Energy and Commerce

Key Staff: Devin Kolb (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2013
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.cardenas.house.gov):

Raised by hard-working immigrant parents, Tony Cárdenas was brought up with simple ideals – that integrity and dedication were the keys to success. These are the qualities that he has brought to his 16-year career as a public servant for the people of the North East San Fernando Valley, and that he continues to offer today as a United States Congressman.
(Representative Tony Cardenas)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-19: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)
- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
- 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

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California Representative Brad Sherman
Democrat - 30th District (@BradSherman)

2181 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-5911

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 30th District as of Sep. 2016: 18
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1997

District Offices: Sherman Oaks

Committee Assignments: Foreign Affairs, Financial Services; Science, Space, and Technology

Congressman Sherman sits on the Foreign Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over most Peace Corps legislation.

Key Staff: Zachary Keck (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.bradsherman.house.gov):

Congressman Brad Sherman, born and raised in southern California, represents California's San Fernando Valley.

Sherman received a Bachelor's degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, where he graduated Summa Cum Laude. Sherman was also an accounting tutor during his time at UCLA. Later he received his law degree from Harvard, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  - 2005-2019: NO
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  - 2008, 2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)
- In 2009, during floor debate on the international affairs budget, Representative Sherman voted against an amendment that would have reduced the size of a recommended funding increase for the Peace Corps. He should be thanked for this.

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)


Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
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Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
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- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
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Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

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Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
  (Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- Representative Sherman also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey
California Representative Pete Aguilar
Democrat – 31st District (@RepPeteAguilar)

109 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-3201

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 31st District as of Sep. 2016: 4
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2015

District Offices: Rancho Cucamonga

Committee Assignments: Appropriations

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Congressman Aguilar plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. He is not a member of State/Foreign Operations Subcommittee, which has direct jurisdiction over Peace Corps funding.

Key Staff: Wendell White (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2016
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.peteaguilar.com):

Congressman Pete Aguilar is a husband and father and was a small business owner and Mayor of Redlands. He grew up in a working class family in San Bernardino. As Mayor, he brought people together to deliver results to support the middle class – investing in the infrastructure and starting a loan program for small business start-ups to create good-paying jobs.
(Representative Pete Aguilar)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Not currently a member
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16) Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
(Not Applicable)

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
(Not Applicable)
California Representative
Grace Flores Napolitano
Democrat—32nd District (@gracenapolitano)

1610 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-5256

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 32nd District as of Sep. 2016: 13
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1999

District Offices: El Monte

Committee Assignments: Transportation and Infrastructure; Natural Resources

Key Staff: Jerry O'Donnell (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):

- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2008, 2009, 2018
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.napolitano.house.gov):

The Congresswoman was born and raised in Brownsville, Texas. After high school, she married and moved with her husband to California where they raised 5 children. Napolitano began her political career as a member of the Norwalk City Council, winning her first election in 1986. In 1989, Napolitano’s fellow council members selected her to serve as Mayor. During her council tenure, she addressed the city’s need for jobs and reliable public transit.
(Representative Grace Flores Napolitano)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008, 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
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Other

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Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

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Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
  (Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
  (Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative Ted Lieu
Democrat—33rd District (@tedlieu)

403 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-3976

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 33rd District as of Sep. 2016: 29
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2015

District Offices: Los Angeles; Manhattan Beach

Committee Assignments: Foreign Affairs; Judiciary

Congressman Lieu sits on the Foreign Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over most Peace Corps related legislation.

Key Staff: Corey Jacobson (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2016
- District Office Meetings: 2017*

From the Website (www.tedlieu.com):

Congressman Ted Lieu’s family immigrated to America and is grateful that he and his family had the opportunity to achieve the American Dream. After his education, Congressman Lieu continues to serve in the Air Force reserves where he is a Lieutenant Colonel. He has received awards and recognition for his military service and for his hard work in the State Legislature. He was named one of the 12 top lawmakers in the nation as ‘worth watching’ in 2010 and 2011 by Governing Magazine. He is married to a former California Deputy Attorney General and they have two sons.
(Representative Ted Lieu)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16) Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
(Not Applicable)

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
(Not Applicable)
California Representative Jimmy Gomez
Democrat—34th District (@RepJimmyGomez)

1530 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-6235

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 34th District as of Sep. 2016: 9
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: July, 2017

District Offices: Los Angeles

Committee Assignments: Natural Resources; Oversight and Government Reform; Ways and Means

Key Staff: Diana Rios (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: 2018
  ● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (https://jimmygomezforcongress.com/):
Jimmy Gomez was elected to the California State Assembly in 2012 and reelected in 2014 and most recently in 2016. In the Assembly, Jimmy is a national champion on Paid Family Leave. He authored and passed landmark legislation, Assembly Bill 908, the nation’s most progressive expansion of Paid Family Leave that President Obama hailed as a model for Congress. Jimmy also authored legislation to address public health, environmental justice, water conservation, access to education, domestic violence and sexual assault prevention, campaign finance disclosure in the wake of Citizens United, LGBTQ rights and affordable housing.

Jimmy was born and raised in Southern California and is the youngest of six children. His parents and four of his siblings immigrated to California from Mexico in the early 1970’s...he enrolled in community college and ultimately transferred to UCLA, where he graduated magna cum laude and later earned a Master’s in Public Policy from Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government...Prior to serving in the State Assembly, Jimmy served as Political Director of the United Nurses Association of California and brings with him over a decade of experience in local, state and national politics, including the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), National League of Cities, Democratic National Committee, office of former L.A. City Councilman Michael Feuer, and the office of former Congresswoman Hilda Solis.

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(Representative Jimmy Gomez)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A
California Representative
Norma Torres
Democrat—35th District (@NormaJTorres)

2444 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-6161

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 35th District as of Sep. 2016: 20
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in House of Representatives: 2015

District Offices: Ontario

Committee Assignments: Appropriations; Rules

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Congresswoman Torres plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. She is also a member of State/Foreign Operations Subcommittee, which has direct jurisdiction over Peace Corps funding.

Key Staff: Michael Viggiano (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2016
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.glorianormatorres.com):

Prior to serving in Congress, Gloria began her career in public service as a board member -- and then president -- of the Chaffey Community College Board before being elected to California’s State Assembly in 2000 and State Senate in 2006. With almost two decades as a locally-elected leader, Gloria has worked to ensure the affordability and access to higher education, enhance the quality of healthcare, improve California’s current transportation system to promote efficient goods movement while reducing traffic congestion and has promoted the growth of quality employment opportunities for residents of the Inland Empire and all of California.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:
- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2015-2016, 2019: NO
  2017, 2018: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16) Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
(Not Applicable)

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
(Not Applicable)
California Representative Raul Ruiz  
Democrat—36th District (@CongressmanRuiz)  

2342 Rayburn House Office Building  
202-225-5330

California Current Volunteers: 851  
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)  
Volunteers in 36th District as of Sep. 2016: 10  
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in House of Representatives: 2013

District Offices: Palm Springs; Hernet; Indio

Committee Assignments: Energy and Commerce

Key Staff: Erin Doty (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: None
  ● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.ruiz.house.gov):

U.S. Representative Raul Ruiz, M.D., grew up in the community of Coachella, California, where both of his parents were farmworkers.

Dr. Ruiz achieved his lifelong dream of becoming a physician through public education. After graduating from Coachella Valley High School, Dr. Ruiz graduated magna cum laude from UCLA. He went on to Harvard University, where he earned his Medical Degree, as well as a Masters of Public Policy from the Kennedy School of Government and a Masters of Public Health from the School of Public Health, becoming the first Latino to earn three graduate degrees from Harvard University. He completed his Residency in Emergency Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh and a Fellowship in International Emergency Medicine at Brigham and Women’s Hospital. During his training, Dr. Ruiz served as a consultant to the Ministries of Health of both Serbia and El Salvador.
(Representative Raul Ruiz)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-19: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act of 2013 (HR 1411 in current Congress)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
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● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
● 113th Congress (2013-14): CO-SPONSOR
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
● Representative Ruiz also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Karen Bass
Democrat—37th District (@RepKarenBass)

2059 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-7084

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 37th District as of Sep. 2016: 11
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2011

District Offices: Los Angeles

Committee Assignments: Judiciary; Foreign Affairs

Congresswoman Bass sits on the Foreign Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over most Peace Corps legislation. She is also the Ranking Democrat on the sub-committee that covers Peace Corps matters.

Key Staff: Janette Yarwood (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
  - DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2013
  - DC Meetings With Staff: 2011
  - District Office Meetings: None

In 2013, Representative Bass met with NPCA’s Harris Wofford Global Citizen Award winner, Dr. Mahammud Said of Kenya.

From the Website (www.bass.house.gov):
She grew up with three brothers in the Venice/Fairfax area of Los Angeles and is the only daughter of DeWitt and Wilhelmina Bass. She graduated from Hamilton High School, Cal State Dominguez Hills, and the University of Southern California’s School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program.

(concerning foreign affairs): Diplomacy, development, and defense are the three equally important pillars of United States foreign policy. Our food, global health, and climate change initiatives save lives abroad and reflect American and democratic values. Our economic development and trade promotion activities help expand markets and create jobs here in the United States. A multilateral approach to foreign policy is often most effective to amplifying American interests, including working with our NATO allies and within the United Nations.

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(Representative Karen Bass)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2011-2012: NO
  2013-2019: YES
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
  (Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
  (Signed into law in 2014)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
  (Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR

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California Representative Linda Sánchez
Democrat—38th District (@RepLindaSanchez)

2329 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-6676

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 38th District as of Sep. 2016: 18
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2003

District Offices: Cerritos

Committee Assignments: Ways and Means

Key Staff: Cody Willming (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2010
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.lindasanchez.house.gov):

The sixth of seven children, Sánchez was born in the City of Orange to immigrant parents from Mexico. She attended the University of California, Berkeley, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Literature with an emphasis in Bilingual Education. After working her way through school as a bilingual aide and ESL instructor, she earned her law degree from the University of California, Los Angeles.

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(Representative Linda Sanchez)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008, 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
California Representative
Gilbert Cisneros
Democrat—39th District (@RepGilCisneros)

431 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-4111

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 39th District as of Sep. 2016: 26
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2019

District Offices: TBD

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Veterans’ Affairs

Key Staff: Yuvaraj Sivalingam (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (cisnerosforcongress.com):

The son of a public school cafeteria worker and a Vietnam veteran, Gil attended college on a Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (R.O.T.C.) scholarship, and graduated with a B.A. in Political Science from The George Washington University. Gil also holds an MBA from Regis University and M.A. in Urban Education Policy from Brown. Gil knows firsthand the challenges families face when they are unable to afford healthcare. Gil’s own father suffered health problems from exposure to Agent Orange while serving in Vietnam, and lost his health insurance. Through ten years of service to our country as a U.S. Naval Officer, Gil was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, the National Defense Medal, and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for his exemplary service to his country. Gil is the Veterans, Education Advocate and co-founder of The Gilbert & Jacki Cisneros Foundation, an organization committed to strengthening public schools, and creating college opportunities for students and veterans. Gil’s dedication toward philanthropy began when he purchased a winning California Mega Millions lottery ticket in 2010. Gil and Jacki partnered with the Hispanic Scholarship Fund and the city of Pico Rivera, California to create Generation First Degree Pico Rivera, with the goal of putting a college degree in every household in the city.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A
- 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)
- 113th Congress (2013-2014): N/A

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
- 113th Congress (2013-14): N/A

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

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California Representative
Lucille Roybal-Allard
Democrat—40th District (@RepRoybalAllard)

2083 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-1766

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 40th District as of Sep. 2016: 4
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1993

District Offices: Commerce

Committee Assignments: Appropriations

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Congresswoman Roybal-Allard plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. She is not a member of State/Foreign Operations Subcommittee, which has direct jurisdiction over Peace Corps funding.

Key Staff: Victoria Rivas (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):

● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
● DC Meetings With Staff: 2010, 2011, 2016
● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.roybal-allard.house.gov):

Congresswoman Roybal-Allard was born and raised in Boyle Heights, California. She is the eldest daughter of Lucille Beserra Roybal and the late Congressman Edward R. Roybal, a Member of Congress for 30 years.

A political pioneer, in 1992 Congresswoman Roybal-Allard became the first Mexican-American woman elected to Congress. Before that, she represented the 56th Assembly District of California for six years.

The 1965 graduate of the California State University at Los Angeles is married to Edward T. Allard, III. Together, they have four children: Ricardo, Lisa, Angela, and Guy Mark; and seven grandchildren.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2005-2010: NO  
  2011-2019: YES
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008, 2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join
- 113th Congress (2013-14): MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16) Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14) CO-SPONSOR

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) DID NOT VOTE

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- Representative Roybal-Allard also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey
California Representative Mark Takano
Democrat—41st District (@RepMarkTakano)

420 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-2305

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 41st District as of Sep. 2016: 15
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2013

District Offices: Riverside

Committee Assignments: Veterans' Affairs; Education and the Workforce

Key Staff: Yuri Beckelman (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker:
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2013
- District Office Meetings: 2014, 2019*

From the Website (www.takano.house.gov):

For more than twenty years, Mark Takano has worked to improve the lives of Riverside County residents, both as an elected official and as a teacher at Rialto High School.

Born and raised in Riverside, Mark's commitment to public service began at an early age. His family roots in Riverside go back to his grandparents who, along with his parents, were removed from their respective homes and sent to Japanese American Internment camps during World War II. After the war, these two families settled in Riverside County to rebuild their lives.

Mark attended La Sierra High School in the Alvord Unified School District, and in 1979 he graduated as the school's valedictorian. Mark attended Harvard College and received his bachelor's degree in Government in 1983. As a student, he bused tables to help make ends meet. During his senior year, he organized and co-founded Ride for Life, a transcontinental bicycle ride to benefit the international development agency Oxfam America.

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Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013, 2015-2019: YES 2014: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)


Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
- Representative Takano also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey
California Representative Ken Calvert
Republican– 42nd District (@KenCalvert)

2205 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-1986

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 42nd District as of Sep. 2016: 8
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1993

District Offices: Corona

Committee Assignments: Appropriations

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Congressman Calvert plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. He is not a member of State/Foreign Operations Subcommittee, which has direct jurisdiction over Peace Corps funding.

Key Staff: Joe Fuentes (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2011-2012, 2017, 2018
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.calvert.house.gov):

Ken Calvert, a lifelong resident of Riverside County and 17-year small business owner in the restaurant and real estate industries, represents the 42nd Congressional District of southern California. Calvert was born on June 8, 1953 and attended neighborhood public schools, graduating from Corona High School in 1971. He attended two years at Chaffey College, in Alta Loma, and then enrolled at San Diego State University, where he graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. Ken is a Protestant and is involved in several local community volunteer organizations.
(Representative Ken Calvert)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  - 2005-2019: NO
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  - 2008: NO
  - 2009: YES
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR

Representative Calvert has signed some supportive letters regarding Peace Corps funding circulated among members of the Appropriations Committee.

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California Representative Maxine Waters
Democrat—43rd District (@MaxineWaters)

2221 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-2201

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
 Volunteers in the 43rd District as of Sep. 2016: 4
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1991

District Offices: Los Angeles

Committee Assignments: Financial Services

Key Staff: Kathleen Sengstock (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: 2008, 2016
  ● District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.waters.house.gov):

Maxine Waters was born in St. Louis, Missouri, the fifth of 13 children reared by a single mother. She began working at age 13 in factories and segregated restaurants. After moving to Los Angeles, she worked in garment factories and at the telephone company. She attended California State University at Los Angeles, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. She began her career in public service as a teacher and a volunteer coordinator in the Head Start program.

(concerning foreign aid): “I have led congressional efforts to cancel the debts of the world’s poorest countries so that they can use their limited resources to reduce poverty, build schools, improve health care, create jobs and make other investments to better the lives of their citizens instead of making burdensome debt and interest payments to rich nations and multilateral financial institutions.”

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(Representative Maxine Waters)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2008-2010, 2012-19: YES
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008: YES
  2009: NO
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join
- 113th Congress (2013-14): MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation
- 112th Congress (2011-12): Did not co-sponsor
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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California Representative
Nanette Barragan
Democrat—44th District (@RepBarragan)

1030 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-8220

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 44th District as of Sep. 2016: 4
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2017

District Offices: San Pedro, Carson, South Gate

Committee Assignments: Homeland Security; Energy and Commerce

Key Staff: Ricardo Pacheco (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (https://barragan.house.gov/about):

Rep. Barragán was born in Harbor City, California and grew up in Carson and the surrounding area. As the youngest of eleven children raised by immigrants from Mexico, she beat the odds and put herself through UCLA and USC Law School. In 2003, Rep. Barragán served as an extern to Justice Carlos Moreno at the California Supreme Court. The next year, she served at the Los Angeles Legal Aid Foundation, a law firm for low-income people in Los Angeles.

Rep. Barragán has worked as a community advocate in Los Angeles as well as in Washington. She worked in the White House in the late 90’s and then at the NAACP – focusing on racial and social justice issues. While serving as a Councilwoman in Hermosa Beach, she stood up to an oil company and worked to stop its proposal to drill oil and water injection wells in Hermosa Beach and out into the Santa Monica Bay. She became the first Latina ever elected and the first woman in ten years.

Rep. Barragán began her congressional career in January 2017. She is a member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and the Progressive Caucus. She lives in San Pedro, CA.

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(Representative Nanette Barragan)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2017, 2018: YES  2019: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16) N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A
California Representative Katie Porter
Democrat– 45th District (@RepKatiePorter)

1117 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-5611

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 45th District as of Sep. 2016: 19
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2019

District Offices: Irvine

Committee Assignments: Financial Services

Key Staff: Brieana Marticorena (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (katieporter.com):

Katie Porter has spent nearly twenty years fighting powerful interests and Wall Street banks on behalf of businesses and families. She’s a national leader in consumer protection and has won big victories against financial institutions who cheat consumers.

Katie is a mom to three wonderful children. They live in Irvine, where she is a longtime Cubmaster in her son’s cub scout pack. Katie is a tenured Professor of Law at University of California Irvine and teaches consumer law.

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(Representative Katie Porter)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding:

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2018, 2019: YES
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

  (Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

  (Signed into law in 2014)
  (Not Applicable)

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

  (Signed into law in 2011)
  (Not Applicable)
California Representative Luis Correa
Democrat – 46th District (@RepLouCorrea)

1039 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-2965

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 46th District as of Sep. 2016: 6
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2017

District Offices: Santa Ana

Committee Assignments: Judiciary; Homeland Security

Key Staff: Sheresh Khan (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2017
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (http://www.loucorrea.com/meetlou/):

Lou grew up in Anaheim, and attended Benjamin Franklin Elementary, Fremont Junior High and Anaheim High School. He holds degrees in Economics from California State University, Fullerton, and a Juris Doctor (JD) and Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

Lou has served on the Board of the Orange County Community Development Council, the county’s anti-poverty council, the California Small Business Board, and the Orange County Boy Scouts. Prior to serving in the California State Legislature, he was an investment banker and a real estate broker.

During his tenure as a State Senator Lou served Orange County constituents by supporting public safety, health, fitness and safety for children, mental healthcare services, as well as ensuring the affordability of higher education, and taxpayer equity for all of our county residents.

Lou Correa lives in Santa Ana with his wife of 26 years, and their five children. Lou was named “Father of the Year” by the American Diabetes Association of Orange County, and he is a member of Christ Cathedral Catholic Church.

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(Representative Luis Correa)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2017: YES
  2018-19: NO
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16) N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

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California Representative
Alan Lowenthal
Democrat– 47th District (@RepLowenthal)

108 Cannon House Office Building
202-225-7924

California Current Volunteer: 873
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 47th District as of Sep. 2016: 13
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2013

District Offices: Long Beach; Westminster; Garden Grove; Cypress; Stanton

Committee Assignments: Transportation; Natural Resources

Key Staff: Andrew Bower (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2014
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (www.lowenthal.house.gov):

Born March 8, 1941, Congressman Alan Lowenthal was raised in the Queens Borough of New York City. After earning his Bachelor's Degree from Hobart and William Smith Colleges and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University, he moved to Long Beach, California in 1969 where he taught Community Psychology at California State University, Long Beach until 1998.

(concerning foreign affairs): The United States is a force for good throughout the world, and I believe it is imperative that we continue to expand our positive impact which can only, in turn, strengthen our relationship with our international friends. Working with intergovernmental agencies such as the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the Department of State, and the private sector, I believe we can help promote development, democracy, and a thriving economy both at home and abroad.
(Representative Alan Lowenthal)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER
- 2013-2016: MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)

(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): CO-SPONSOR
- 114th Congress (2015-16): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)

(Signed into law in 2014)
- 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011

(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
- Representative Lowenthal also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative
Harley Rouda
Democrat– 48th District (@RepHarley)

2300 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-2415

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 48th District as of Sep. 2016: 17
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2019

District Offices: Oceanside

Committee Assignments: Oversight and Government Reform; Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Matt Jackson (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2019
- District Office Meetings: None

From the Website (https://www.harleyforcongress.com):

I’m a businessman, husband, father, and a patriot – not a politician. I love this country, and I’m [in] Congress because Washington politicians have failed us for too long.

I’ve spent my career working to grow businesses large and small – helping create and support thousands of jobs. We helped our workers get ahead. Hard work, honesty, fairness and respect. Those values drove us everyday.

My wife Kaira and I have worked hard to raise our four children. We’re involved in our community and Orange County charities that help the homeless; protect victims of domestic violence; support veterans, reduce gun violence, advance educational opportunities, strengthen human rights and protect our environment.

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(Representative Harley Rouda)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A
● 114th Congress (2015-16): N/A

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): N/A

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 113th Congress (2013-14): N/A

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
California Representative Mike Levin
Democrat – 49th District (@RepMikeLevin)

1626 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-3906

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 49th District as of Sep. 2016: 31
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2019

District Offices: Oceanside, Dana Point

Committee Assignments: Natural Resources; Veterans' Affairs

Key Staff: Jonathan Gilbert (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: 2019*

From the Website (https://mikelevin.org):

Mike went to Stanford University, where he was honored to serve as student body president. After college, Mike served in the Coro Fellows Program and attended Duke University School of Law. After law school, he served as Executive Director of the Democratic Party of Orange County, and has worked as an attorney focused on environmental and energy regulatory compliance and government affairs.

Mike is a passionate believer in clean energy and has over a decade of experience in the industry, helping to accelerate the transition towards more sustainable power generation and transportation options. Mike has served for several years on the board of the Center for Sustainable Energy, based in San Diego, and co-founded Sustain OC in Orange County. For his work in clean energy, Mike was named to the OC METRO 40 under 40.

Mike lives in San Juan Capistrano with his wife, Chrissy, and their two children, ages 6 and 4.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
- 115th Congress (2017-18): N/A

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)
- 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
- 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)
- 113th Congress (2013-2014): N/A

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)
- 113th Congress (2013-14): N/A

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)
- 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
50th District

Currently Vacant
(A special election is scheduled March 3rd, 2020)

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 50th District as of Sep. 2016: 24
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives:

District Offices:

Committee Assignments:

Key Staff:

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker:
- DC Meetings With Staff:
- District Office Meetings:

From the Website

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(Representative)  
Currently Vacant  
(A special election is scheduled May 12, 2020)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

- Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding: 2009-2019:
- Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation: 2008, 2009:
- 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

- 116th Congress (2019-2020):
- 115th Congress (2017-18):
  Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020):
  Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)
- 116th Congress (2019-2020):
- 115th Congress (2017-18):
  Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)  
(Signed into law in 2018)

- 115th Congress (2017-18):
- 114th Congress (2015-16):

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

- 113th Congress (2013-2014):
  Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)  
  (Signed into law in 2014)

- 111th Congress (2009-10):
- 112th Congress (2011-12):
- 113th Congress (2013-14):
- 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011  
(Signed into law in 2011)

- 112th Congress (2011-12):

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California Representative Juan Vargas
Democrat– 51st District (@RepJuanVargas)

2244 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-8045

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 51st District as of Sep. 2016: 23
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2013

District Offices: Chula Vista; El Centro

Committee Assignments: Financial Services; Foreign Affairs

Key Staff: Eddie Meyer (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2013, 2014
- District Office Meetings: 2014, 2015*, 2017*

From the Website (www.vargas.house.gov):
Congressman Juan Vargas was raised on a chicken ranch in National City, a city in California’s 51st District. He is one of ten children, born to his parents, Tomas and Celina Vargas on March 7, 1961. He attended the University of San Diego on scholarship, graduated Magna Cum Laude receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 1983. In 1987, Juan earned a Master of Humanities from Fordham University in New York City and in 1991 earned a Juris Doctorate from Harvard Law School, where he was classmates with President Barack Obama.

As a young adult, Juan entered the Jesuits, a Catholic religious order, where he worked with disadvantaged communities, including orphaned children and internally displaced people in the jungles of El Salvador. For years, his work with the Jesuits focused on the health and welfare of children and issues of social justice.

When President Bill Clinton ordered an invasion of Kosovo in 1999 to end a terrifying regime of “ethnic cleansing,” Juan and Adrienne answered the President’s call to duty and took in a refugee Kosovar family into their home for nearly two years. The family is now thriving and independent, residing in the city of El Cajon.

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On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): MEMBER
● 115th Congress (2017-18): MEMBER
● 2013-2016: MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A

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California Representative Scott Peters
Democrat– 52nd District (@RepScottPeters)

2338 Rayburn House Office Building
202-225-0508

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 52nd District as of Sep. 2016: 22
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in House of Representatives: 2013

District Offices: San Diego

Committee Assignments: Energy and Commerce

Key Staff: Sterling McHale (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2014*, 2016, 2018*, 2019*

From the Website (www.scottpeters.house.gov):

Scott earned his undergraduate degree from Duke University magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa and worked as an economist for the United States Environmental Protection Agency before attending New York University School of Law. He and his wife of 26 years reside in the La Jolla neighborhood of San Diego, California and have a son and daughter.
(Representative Scott Peters)

On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
  2013-2014: NO
  2015-2019: YES
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not join
● 2013-2016: Did not join

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): CO-SPONSOR

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) YES

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): N/A
● Representative Peters also signed a 2014 letter to federal authorities urging more involvement in the investigation of the death of Peace Corps Volunteer Kate Puzey

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California Representative Susan Davis
Democrat – 53rd District (@RepSusanDavis)

1214 Longworth House Office Building
202-225-2040

California Current Volunteers: 851
(California Volunteers in 1967: 2,201)
Volunteers in the 53rd District as of Sep. 2015: 31
California Volunteers Since 1961: 31,752

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2001

District Offices: San Diego

Committee Assignments: Armed Services; Education and the Workforce

Key Staff: Michael Perez (Foreign Policy Issues)

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community (* Denotes Constituent Meeting):
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2016*, 2019*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2014, 2018*
- District Office Meetings: 2013*, 2014*, 2015*

From the Website (www.house.gov/susandavis/):

Susan attended public school in northern California. She graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a degree in sociology. After college she worked with at-risk youths in Israel and also lived on a kibbutz. When Susan returned to the United States, she earned a master’s degree in social work at the University of North Carolina. Later, when her husband Steve was stationed in Japan for his military service, Susan and their sons, Jeff and Ben, joined him. The Davis family settled in mid-city San Diego in 1972 and Susan and Steve have lived in the same house ever since.
On the Issues

Peace Corps Funding

● Signed House “Dear Colleague” Letters on Peace Corps Funding:
● Co-Sponsored Peace Corps Funding Legislation:
  2008, 2009: YES
● 6/18/19 House vote on Walker Amendment, which included eliminating FY2020 Peace Corps Funding: NO (Final vote was 110 Yes, 315 No...Walker amendment was not passed)

Peace Corps Caucus

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a member
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Not currently a member
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not join
● 113th Congress (2013-14): MEMBER

Peace Corps Reauthorization Legislation (HR 3456)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor

Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (HR 1411)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Stamp Act (HR 325)

● 116th Congress (2019-2020): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 115th Congress (2017-18): Not currently a co-sponsor
● 2013-2016: Did not co-sponsor

Other

Sam Farr/Nick Castle Peace Corps Enhancement Act (HR 2259)
(Signed into law in 2018)

● 115th Congress (2017-18): Did not co-sponsor
● 114th Congress (2015-16): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Equity Act of 2014 (HR 4578)

● 113th Congress (2013-2014): Did not co-sponsor

Peace Corps Commemorative Legislation (HR 915)
(Signed into law in 2014)

● 111th Congress (2009-10): CO-SPONSOR
● 112th Congress (2011-12): CO-SPONSOR
● 113th Congress (2013-14): Did not co-sponsor
● 1/13/14 House Vote to Support Commemorative (passed 387 – 7) Did not vote

Kate Puzey Peace Corps Volunteer Protection Act of 2011
(Signed into law in 2011)

● 112th Congress (2011-12): Part of unanimous vote that passed the legislation

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