NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

National Peace Corps Association (NPCA) presents the Loret Miller Ruppe Award to outstanding NPCA affiliate groups for activities that promote the Third Goal of Peace Corps or that continue to serve host countries, build group spirit and cooperation, and promote service. The purpose of the award is not only to recognize the great work of NPCA's affiliate groups, but also to generate ideas that other groups may emulate in their communities. The award is presented annually at the Peace Corps Connect national conference.

The 2021 Loret Miller Ruppe Award for Outstanding Community Service will be presented at the virtual Peace Corps Connect conference online September 23–25, 2021. The winning group(s) must arrange for a representative to attend the Peace Corps Connect conference to accept the award on behalf of the group. The NPCA will present each winning group with a $500 cash award.

For a complete list of past Ruppe Award winners, please visit our website:
http://www.peacecorpsconnect.org/about/awards/the-lore-miller-ruppe-award/

Eligibility:
1. The group's NPCA affiliation must be current at the times both of nomination and of award.
2. The activity(ies) for which the group is nominated must be current (i.e., completed within the past two years, or ongoing for 3 years or more).
3. The group must not have won the award within the last 5 years (even if for a different activity).

The nomination will be reviewed based on the following criteria:
- How well the group promotes the Third Goal of the Peace Corps
- The scope and impact of the activity on the community served
- How well the activity(ies) serve as a model or inspiration for other groups

Your nomination package should include the following:
1. Required: signed nomination form (see page 2)
2. Required: one-page project description narrative (see page 3)
3. Required: one to four engaging photo(s) of participants carrying out the activity for which they are being nominated. Avoid large group shots unless they are cropped so that the participants fill the frame and are pictured from the waist up.
4. Optional: Additional relevant documentation that supports the nomination
National Peace Corps Association
Loret Miller Ruppe Award for Outstanding Community Service
2021 Nomination Form

NOMINEE:
NPCA Affiliate Group Name:
Point of Contact for Group/Activity(ies):
  Name:
  Phone:
  Email:

Activity Title:

Activity Goal (60 words or less):

How and where has the activity been promoted? (i.e. website, media, newsletter, social media, etc.) Please provide URL links and/or attach relevant documents, if applicable.

Was the activity completed within the past two years, or has it been ongoing for 3 years or more? ___ yes ___ no   When did this activity first begin? ____________________

Has this group won the Ruppe Award within the past 5 years? ___ yes ___ no

NOMINATED BY:
Name:
Phone:
Email:

Relation to Nominee:

Does the Nominee know you have nominated the group? ___ yes ___ no

The signature below signifies that I have read and agree to abide by the rules and regulations for the 2021 Ruppe Award, that the information included with this nomination is accurate, and that the nominator and nominee may be contacted for additional information.

Nominator signature: ___________________________   Date: __________________

To nominate an NPCA affiliate group for the Ruppe Award, please complete this form and send it to the NPCA office via email: groups@peacecorpsconnect.org.
Activity Description

Please submit the following as a separate document (maximum one-page, size 12 font):

I. **Activity Overview**, including:
   a. description of activity and implementation
   b. level of group and/or community involvement
   c. how the activity is/was funded (if applicable)

II. **Third Goal connection**: Explain how this activity achieved the aims of the Peace Corps’ Third Goal

III. **Activity Results**: Describe the scope of the community/audience reached, the impact on that target community/audience and/or the benefit to the affiliate group

IV. **Ability to Replicate**: Explain how this activity can serve as an inspiration or model for other NPCA affiliate groups

All nomination materials must be submitted electronically to groups@peacecorpsconnect.org.

Nominations are accepted year round, but must be received by July 25, 2021 to qualify for consideration in 2021.

Self-nominations are acceptable. Thank you for your submission!