United States Senate

Senator Mazie Hirono
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Hawai'i Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Hawai'i Volunteers Since 1961: 1,482

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Began Service in the Senate: 2013

State Offices: Honolulu

Committee Assignments:
● Armed Services
● Energy and Natural Resources
● Judiciary
● Small Business
● Veteran's Affairs

Key Staff: Rebecca Gansca, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2016*
● District Office Meetings: 2020* (virtual)

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### Peace Corps Issues and Senator Hirono

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### Other Notes:

Senator Hirono **co–sponsored** the Peace Corps Equity Act (2014).
United States Senate

Senator Brian Schatz
Hawai'i Democrat

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Hawai'i Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Hawai'i Volunteers Since 1961: 1,482

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Began Service in the U. S. Senate: 2012

State Offices: Honolulu

Committee Assignments:
- Appropriations
- Commerce, Science and Transportation
- Foreign Relations
- Indian Affairs (Chair)
- Ethics

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Senator Schatz plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. He does not sit on the State/Foreign Operations subcommittee, which determines funding levels for international affairs programs, including Peace Corps. Senator Schatz also sits on the Foreign Relations Committee which is responsible for most Peace Corps legislation.

Key Staff: Zachary Hosford, Foreign Policy Issues

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

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**Other Notes:** Senator Schatz co–sponsored the Peace Corps Equity Act (2014). In December 2021 he signed a congressional letter urging the Department of Education to include Peace Corps Volunteers in reforms to improve the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program.
Rep. Ed Case
Hawai'i 1st District Democrat

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Hawai'i Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Hawai'i Volunteers Since 1961: 1,482

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District Offices: Honolulu

Committee Assignments:
- Appropriations
- Natural Resources

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Representative Case plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. He does not sit on the State/Foreign Operations subcommittee, which determines funding levels for international affairs programs, including Peace Corps.

Key Staff: Krista Wunsche, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2019, 2021
- District Office Meetings: 2021 (with Rep Case)*

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<td>116th Congress (2019–2020) Walker Amendment: A vote on a proposal to offset disaster relief funding by cutting many programs, including elimination of Peace Corps funding for FY 2020 NPCA opposed this amendment, which was defeated 315 to 110</td>
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**Other Notes:** In May, 2021, Representative Case introduced the Blue Pacific Act (H.R. 2967), which includes provisions to increase Peace Corps’ presence in the Pacific region.
Rep. Kaiali’i Kahele
Hawai‘i 2nd District Democrat

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Hawai‘i Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Hawai‘i Volunteers Since 1961: 1,482

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Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2021 (New Member of Congress)

District Offices: Hilo

Committee Assignments:
- Armed Services
- Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Serena Li, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: None
- District Office Meetings: None

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