United States Senate

Senator Roger Wicker
Mississippi Republican

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Mississippi Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Mississippi Volunteers Since 1961: 537

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Began Service in the Senate: 2007

State Offices: Gulfport, Tupelo, Jackson, Hernando

Committee Assignments:
● Armed Services
● Commerce, Science and Transportation (Ranking Member)
● Environment and Public Works
● Rules

Key Staff: Daniel Tillson, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2014, 2018*
● DC Meetings With Staff: 2009, 2010, 2016*, 2017, 2018
● District Office Meetings: 2013*, 2017* (w/Wicker), 2018*, 2021* (virtual), 2022*

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### Peace Corps Issues and Senator Wicker

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Signed on in 2020 (COVID–19 International Response) |
| 117th Congress (2021–2022)  
Health Force, Resilience Force and Jobs to Fight COVID–19 Act (S. 32) | Has not co-sponsored in 2021, 2022 |
| 117th Congress (2021–2022)  
Peace Corps Reauthorization Act (S. 4466) | Has not co-sponsored in 2022 |
| 116th Congress (2019–2020)  
Peace Corps Specific COVID–19 Legislation | S. 3700: Did not co–sponsor  
S. 3642: Did not co–sponsor |
| 116th Congress (2019–2020)  
CORPS Act (S. 3964)  
Expand COVID–19 National Service Response Positions (Including Priority Preference for Evacuees) | Lead sponsor |
| 116th Congress (2019–2020)  
Peace Corps Mission Accountability Act (S. 2320)  
Legislation opposed by NPCA | Did not co–sponsor |

**Other Notes**
Senator Cindy Hyde–Smith
Mississippi Republican

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Mississippi Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)  
Mississippi Volunteers Since 1961: 537

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Began Service in the U. S. Senate: 2018

State Offices: Jackson, Gulfport, Oxford

Committee Assignments:
  ● Agriculture
  ● Appropriations
  ● Energy and Natural Resources
  ● Rules

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

Key Staff: Jimmy Stringer, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: 2018, 2020
  ● District Office Meetings: 2022*

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Other Notes
House of Representatives

Rep. Trent Kelly
Mississippi 1st District Republican

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Bio: https://trentkelly.house.gov/biography/
Twitter: @RepTrentKelly

Mississippi Current Volunteers: 0 (24 pre-evacuation)

Mississippi Volunteers Since 1961: 537

Contact Form: https://trentkelly.house.gov/contact/

Began Service in the House of Representatives: June 2015

District Offices: Columbus, Eupora, Corinth, Hernando, Tupelo, Oxford

Committee Assignments:
- Agriculture
- Armed Services

Key Staff: Rodney Hall, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2017
- District Office Meetings: 2015* (w/Kelly), 2017, 2021* (virtual)

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**Other Notes**
House of Representatives

Rep. Bennie Thompson
Mississippi 2nd District Democrat

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Mississippi Current Volunteers: 0  Mississsippi Volunteers Since 1961: 537
(24 pre–evacuation)

Contact Form: https://benniethompson.house.gov/contact

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 1993

District Offices: Bolton, Greenville, Greenwood, Jackson, Marks, Mound Bayou

Committee Assignments:
  ● Homeland Security (Chair)

Key Staff: Claytrice Henderson, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
  ● DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2016*
  ● DC Meetings With Staff: 2011*
  ● District Office Meetings: 2013* (w/Thompson), 2017* (w/Thompson)

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**Other Notes:** Representative Thompson was a co–sponsor of Peace Corps Commemorative legislation (2009–2010; 2013–2014).
Rep. Michael Guest
Mississippi 3rd District Republican

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Twitter: @RepMichaelGuest

Mississippi Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Mississippi Volunteers Since 1961: 537

Contact Form: https://guest.house.gov/zip-code-lookup?form=/contact/email-me

Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2019

District Offices: Starkville, Brandon, Brookhaven, Meridian

Committee Assignments:
- Ethics
- Homeland Security
- Transportation and Infrastructure

Key Staff: Elizabeth Joseph, 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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### Other Notes
Rep. Steven Palazzo
Mississippi 4th District Republican

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Mississippi Current Volunteers: 0
(24 pre–evacuation)

Mississippi Volunteers Since 1961: 537

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Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2011

District Offices: Gulfport, Hattiesburg, Pascagoula

Committee Assignments:
  - Appropriations

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Representative Palazzo 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: Courtney Stevens, Foreign Policy Issues

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:
  - DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None
  - DC Meetings With Staff: 2011, 2017
  - District Office Meetings: None

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