

The Peace Corps Community in Arkansas

Arkansas Peace Corps Volunteers Through the Years

ARKANSAS
VOLUNTEERS
SINCE 1961

1,031

2020: 30

2017: 28

2019: 30

2016: 24

2023

ARKANSAS
VOLUNTEERS

5

2018: 25

1966: 63

5 Things to Know about the Peace Corps Community in Arkansas

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The Peace Corps has educational partnerships with Southern Arkansas University, the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, the University of Arkansas-Little Rock, and the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

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In January 2023, the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville celebrated student Ana Pendergrast, who completed the requirements in the fall of 2022 to become the first recipient of the school's Peace Corps Prep program certificate.

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Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs) partnered with Community Health Centers of Arkansas (CHCA) during a ten month program to increase COVID-19 vaccinations and education in underserved communities.

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Arkansas native and Malawi RPCV Dwayne Matthews has been recognized for his creative Peace Corps recruitment efforts, connecting with individuals at barber shops near Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

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Former Arkansas State University president and University of Arkansas graduate Ross Pritchard, who died in 2020, was a regional director of Peace Corps programs in East Asia and the Pacific during the 1960's.

*Based on data from Peace Corps, National Peace Corps Association, and other news sources.