

## The Peace Corps Community in Colorado

Colorado Peace Corps Volunteers Through the Years				
COLORADO VOLUNTEERS	7,682	2020: <b>215</b>	2017: <b>218</b>	
SINCE 1961		2019: <b>233</b>	2016: <b>209</b>	
2023 COLORADO VOLUNTEERS	87	2018: <b>230</b>	1966: <b>256</b>	

## 5 Things to Know about the Peace Corps Community in Colorado

In 2023, Colorado ranked 6th in the nation in sending Peace Corps Volunteers overseas. In 2020, Colorado also ranked 7th in the nation in sending volunteers on a per capita basis, while the Greater Denver area ranked 8th among major metropolitan areas in sending volunteers.

Among large colleges and universities, the University of Colorado-Boulder ranked 12th in 2019/2020 in sending Peace Corps Volunteers overseas, while Colorado State University ranked 15th. Among small colleges and universities, Colorado College was tied for 13th in sending volunteers overseas.

Peace Corps has educational partnerships with eight institutions, including Colorado College, the Colorado School of Mines, Colorado State University, Regis University, the University of Colorado-Boulder, the University of Colorado-Denver, the University of Denver, and Western Colorado University.

Service projects of the RPCVs of Colorado include volunteering at the Denver Rescue Mission, and planting and harvesting an RPCV Garden at Civic Center Park in Denver, with produce donated to the Gathering Place, a daytime drop-in center.

In October 2023, Colorado State University held a grand opening celebration of its Peace Corps Tribute Garden, to commemorate the school's long history with the Peace Corps, dating back to its inception in 1961.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on data from Peace Corps, National Peace Corps Association, and other news sources.