

## The Peace Corps Community in Georgia

### Georgia Peace Corps Volunteers Through the Years

GEORGIA VOLUNTEERS SINCE 1961	3,933	2020: 193	2017: 189
		2019: 202	2016: 188
2023 GEORGIA VOLUNTEERS	65	2018: 200	1966: 77

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

1

In 2023, Georgia ranked 10th in the nation in sending Peace Corps Volunteers overseas. In 2020, the greater Atlanta area ranked 5th among major metropolitan areas in sending volunteers.

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Among large colleges and universities, the University of Georgia ranked 5th in 2019/2020 in sending Peace Corps Volunteers abroad. Among medium colleges and universities, Emory University was tied for 9th in sending volunteers abroad.

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Peace Corps has partnerships with Emory University, Fort Valley State University, Georgia College and State University, Georgia Gwinnett College, Kennesaw State University, Georgia State University, Laney Graduate School, Mercer University-Macon, Savannah State University, the University of Georgia, and the University of North Georgia.

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Past service projects of the Atlanta Area Returned Peace Corps Volunteers include volunteering with Trees Atlanta, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, New American pathways, and various food banks.

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Two late Georgians are honored by the Peace Corps for their service. The Lillian Carter Award (recognizing exemplary volunteers over the age of 50) honors the former India volunteer who served from 1966–1968. Graduate school fellowship programs are named after former Senator Paul Coverdell, who served as Peace Corps director from 1989 until 1991.

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