

The Peace Corps Community in Michigan

Michigan Peace Corps Volunteers Through the Years

MICHIGAN
VOLUNTEERS
SINCE 1961

7,775

2020: **199**

2017: **266**

2019: **211**

2016: **239**

2023
MICHIGAN
VOLUNTEERS

53

2018: **225**

1966: **542**

5 Things to Know about the Peace Corps Community in Michigan

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In 2023, Michigan tied for 14th in the nation in sending volunteers overseas. In 2020, the Ann Arbor region ranked 10th in the nation among major metropolitan areas in sending volunteers on a per capita basis.

2

Among large colleges and universities, the University of Michigan was tied for 10th in 2019/2020 in sending Peace Corps Volunteers overseas. It also ranked 4th all-time in sending volunteers overseas.

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Peace Corps has educational partnerships with four Michigan institutions: Eastern Michigan University, Michigan State University, Michigan Tech, and the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.

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National Peace Corps Association affiliate groups include the Southeastern Michigan Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs), the RPCVs of West Michigan, the Southwestern Michigan RPCVs, and the RPCVs of North Michigan.

5

2023 and early 2024 activities of the RPCVs of North Michigan include preparing dinners at the Safe Harbor homeless shelter in Traverse City, volunteering once a month at a book distribution center that sends books to students in 17 countries. They also sponsored two refugee families (Afghanistan and Ukraine) during the holidays, and volunteered at a MLK Day movie at a local theatre.

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