United States Senate



Senator Tom Carper Delaware Democrat

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Began Service in the Senate: 2001

State Offices: Wilmington, Dover, Georgetown

Committee Assignments:

- Environment and Public Works (Chair)
- Finance
- Homeland Security and Government Affairs

Key Staff: Laura Pastre, Foreign Policy Issues, <u>laura_pastre@carper.senate.gov</u> **Key Caucuses:**

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:

- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2019*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2007, 2009–2011, 2018, 2020*
- District Office Meetings: 2021*

^{*}Denotes Constituent Meeting

Peace Corps Issues and Senator Carper Green = Actions in support of Peace Corps | Red = Actions against Peace Corps

Issue/Legislation	Action
Senate Dear Colleague Letter: Peace Corps Funding	Did not sign in 2006–10, 2014, 2016 Signed letter 2012, 2017–2023
Senate Dear Colleague Letter: Support robust international affairs funding	Signed on in 2017–2019, 2021-2022 Did not sign in 2020 (COVID–19 International Response)
118th Congress (2023-2024) Peace Corps Reauthorization Act (S.1203)	Has not co-sponsored in 2024 Did not co-sponsor in 2022,2023
117th Congress (2021–2022) Health Force, Resilience Force and Jobs to Fight COVID-19 Act (S. 32)	Did not co-sponsor in 2021-2022
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)	Did not co-sponsor
116th Congress (2019–2020) Peace Corps Mission Accountability Act (S. 2320) Legislation opposed by NPCA	Did not co-sponsor

Notes

United States Senate



Senator Chris Coons Delaware Democrat

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Began Service in the U. S. Senate: 2010

State Offices: Wilmington, Dover

Committee Assignments:

- Appropriations
- Foreign Relations
- Judiciary
- Small Business
- Ethics (chair)

As a member of the Appropriations Committee, Senator Coons plays an important role in determining how much funding is allocated for various federal programs. He <u>also</u> serves as Chair of the State/Foreign Operations subcommittee, which determines funding levels for international affairs programs, including Peace Corps. Senator Coons also sits on the Foreign Relations Committee, which has jurisdiction over most Peace Corps legislation

Key Staff: Elizabeth O'Bagy, Foreign Policy Issues, bagy@coons.senate.gov

Key Caucuses: National Service, Climate Solutions

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:

- DC Meetings With Lawmaker: 2011*
- DC Meetings With Staff: 2011 2018, 2019*, 2020*, 2023*
- District Office Meetings: None

^{*}Denotes Constituent Meeting

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Issue/Legislation	Action
Senate Dear Colleague Letter: Peace Corps Funding	Did not sign in 2010, 2012, 2021, 2022, 2023 Signed letter in 2014, 2016–2020:
Senate Dear Colleague Letter: Support robust international affairs funding	Signed on in 2017–2019 Signed on in 2020 (COVID–19 International Response) Did not sign in 2021-2022
118th Congress (2023-2024) Peace Corps Reauthorization Act (S.1203)	Co-sponsor in 2024 Co-sponsor in 2023 Co-sponsor in 2022
117th Congress (2021–2022) Health Force, Resilience Force and Jobs to Fight COVID-19 Act (S. 32)	Did not co-sponsor in 2021-2022
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

House of Representatives



Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester Delaware At Large Democrat

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Began Service in the House of Representatives: 2017

District Offices: Wilmington, Georgetown

Committee Assignments:

Energy and Commerce

Key Staff: Kevin Diamond, Foreign Policy Issues, kevin.diamond@mail.house.gov

Key Caucuses: Progressive

Meeting History with the Peace Corps Community:

DC Meetings With Lawmaker: None

DC Meetings With Staff: 2017, 2018, 2019*, 2020*, 2023*

District Office Meetings: 2020*–2021* (virtual)

^{*}Denotes Constituent Meeting

Peace Corps Issues and Rep. Blunt Rochester Green = Actions in support of Peace Corps | Red = Actions against Peace Corps

Issue/Legislation	Action
House Dear Colleague Letter: Peace Corps Funding	Did not sign in 2017, 2022 Signed on in 2018–2021, 2023
118th Congress (2023–2024) Ogles Amendment A vote was taken on a proposal to further reduce FY 2024 Peace Corps funding by an additional \$14 million. NPCA opposed this amendment, which was defeated 295 to 135.	2023: Voted No
118th Congress (2023–2024) Peace Corps Reauthorization Act (H.R.1273)	Has not co-sponsored in 2024 Did not co-sponsor in 2023 (Voted Yes when House passed legislation in 2022)
118th Congress (2023–2024) Other Peace Corps Legislation	
House Peace Corps Caucus	Has not joined in 2023 2017–2022: Did not join
117th Congress (2021–2022) Menstrual Equity in the Peace Corps Act (H.R. 6118)	Did not co-sponsor in 2021-2022
117th Congress (2021–2022) Respect for Peace Corps Volunteers Act (H.R. 1411)	Co-sponsored 2021-2022 2017–2018: Co-sponsored
116th Congress (2019–2020) Peace Corps Specific COVID–19 Legislation (H.R. 6833 and H.R. 6560)	H.R. 6833: Did not co-sponsor H.R. 6560: Did not co-sponsor
116 th Congress (2019–2020) Walker Amendment: A vote on a proposal to offset disaster relief funding by cutting many programs, including elimination of Peace Corps funding for FY 2020 NPCA opposed this amendment, which was defeated 315 to 110	Voted No

Other Notes: Representative Blunt Rochester signed a December 2021 congressional letter supporting increased Peace Corps funding for FY 2022.