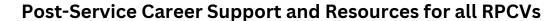
RPCV nexus

2024 Annual Report





RPCVnexus is a 501c(3) that provides Current and Returned Volunteers free services at each stage of their career.

Finding work is exponentially more difficult when applying overseas with skills and experiences that need to be translated linguistically and coherently into points a hiring manager can digest. Connecting with a network of professionals is equally daunting when not knowing where to start or only finding fragments of the answer.

RPCVnexus creates these first and second levels of understanding for Volunteers before their return by compiling information in a one-stop-shop and holding free, career development discussions and workshops. From this baseline, RPCVnexus:

- 1. Develops and maintains a central resource of post-service knowledge, resources, and benefits for Peace Corps Volunteers to reference;
- 2. Provides career counseling services to RPCVs regarding including pathways and a professional network;
- 3. Supports the education of Current and Returned Peace Corps Volunteers; and
- 4. Furthers Peace Corps' Third Goal to "strengthen American's understanding about the world and its peoples"

Since the organization's inception in 2023, RPCVnexus has worked to meet these goals by hosting free Resume Workshops, Career Panels, Post-Service Conversations, One-on-One Resume Review Sessions, and Interview Preparation Sessions. Additional collaboration has been carried out and continues with RPCV Groups based on their place of service, geographic local, cause focus, and workplace to build a network of professionals, a National Mentoring Program, and a Professional Development Series.

Recognizing Current and Returned Volunteers are dispersed across the United States and around the world, events are primarily held virtually to ease participation and the exchange of information. Sessions are recorded and uploaded on the RPCVnexus website and channels for those unable to attend and for future Volunteers to access. Additional fact sheets and articles are developed and housed on the resource library along with commonly used job boards. All items are updated periodically to keep current with new resources and workforce trends.





2024 Accomplishments & Impacts

Network Built

Online One-Stop-Shop

543

Person **Network**

314

Event Participants



Requested Participation



COS Conference



Job Fair



Peace Corps & RPCV Group Talks



Services Provided



107





Resumes Reviewed Resume Workshops **Career Panels &**

Education Talks



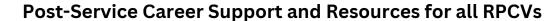
Cost of Operations

Expenses: \$6,372.01

Gains: \$390.00



Net: -\$5,982.01





RPCVnexus' One-Stop-Shop for Post-Service Support

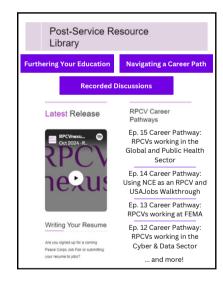


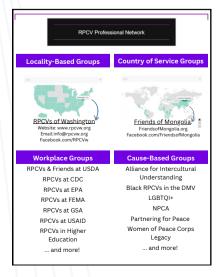
<u>Career Support & Upcoming Events</u> informs on scheduled discussions and opportunities with knowledgeable RPCV Professionals.

- One-on-One Career Counseling & Resume Reviews
- Career Panels with RPCVs working in sectors and organizations of interest
- Discussions on how to apply for graduate school, use NCE when applying for work,
- Workshops on Resume Writing and Reviews

<u>Post-Service Resource Library</u> houses all compiled resources that Volunteers can read, listen to, watch at their convenience as they consider their path forward.

- Compilation of regularly used Job Boards
- How-To Articles written by Volunteers on paths to education and careers
- Best practices to use benefits received from servicing
- Compilation of job boards commonly used
- Recordings of past discussions and workshops





RPCV Professional Network connects Volunteers with Locality-based, Country of Service, Workplace, and Cause-based RPCV Groups. RPCVnexus collaborates and facilitates discussions with these groups to create opportunities for all and build the collective knowledge.

- Community-Wide Mentoring Program
- Professional Development Series
- Connections for informational interviews & relocation through websites, links, and emails



Description of Activities

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One-Stop-Shop of Resources

Invitations to talk with future Volunteers and Groups building relationships to connect and provide what's needed.



Monthly Newsletter

Translating skills and experiences from service and beyond for hiring managers to understand, quickening the time until being hired.



Resume Reviews

Two-part event held ahead of Peace Corps Job Fairs on Resume Writing and with a Resume Review with experienced Volunteer Reviewers.



Career Counseling

Highlighting the Education and Career Paths taken after service, including the required skills and experiences to take them. All are recorded.



Mentoring Program

Current and Returned Volunteers, domestically and internationally, who joined events to gain guidance for what's to come.



Career Panels & Skill Discussions

This interest is reinforced by those signing up to receive monthly newsletters on upcoming events and opportunities.



Professional Workshops

To head-off the concern of those coming back, getting the word out and information to those who are looking for support *now* is key.



COS Conference Presentations

Readying Volunteers to submit applications continues with last minute discussions and offer future support and scouting employers.