Peace Corps
Virtual Service

Continuing your journey through Virtual Service
and I am currently a Peace Corps volunteer in Senegal.
What We Heard:

Host Country Partner

Can we work together virtually?

Peace Corps Staff

This is the right time to respond to HC partner needs while testing virtual service.

Returned Peace Corps Volunteers

We want to support our counterparts, students and communities and reconnect to the culture and the work we left unfinished.
People-to-People
Capacity Strengthening
Sustainable

Honoring Peace Corps’ Development Approach
Terms and Benefits of Virtual Service

- 12-27 Week Engagement
- 5-15 hours per week
- Hardware, software, email account
- Gain cross cultural and technical experience
- $250 for start-up costs
- Contribute to Peace Corps’ efforts to re-imagine service
Virtual Engagement Activities

Teaching special needs students and coaching parents in Ukraine
For me, personally, the highlight was definitely the instructor - Hannah
Results

86% of HC Partners

80% of Participants

satisfied or very satisfied
Results

73% accomplished most or all of their assigned tasks
What we’re learning

Cultural exchange is an important aspect of service even in the virtual space
What we’re learning

Engagement is periodic and asynchronous
adapting to partner and participant needs and access
Challenges

time zones

time
technology
1961: Trying something new
Pioneering International Service

2020: Trying something new
(Virtual) International Service
Questions?