# Western MT Returned Peace Corps Volunteers

2024 Donations

\*Donations generally based on member recommendations or country of service.\*

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## International:

## Dominican Republic – Peace Corps Partnership

 Youth Garden Project: This grant will support the transformation of the school garden into an inclusive, educational space accessible to students of all abilities. The garden will serve as a dynamic, hands-on learning tool to teach agricultural skills, promote environmental stewardship, and encourage social responsibility.



### Friends of Sierra Leone (Recommended by Chris Siegler- Sierra Leone 1968-70)



**Mamaka Project for Food Security Through Agricultural Development** – Funds for 2 solar panels

#### Friends of Vanuatu (Recommended by Andrew Beltz – Vanuatu 2003-06)

• Earthquake disaster Relief - Support disaster victims affected by the recent 7.4 magnitude earthquake in Port Vila, Efate Island, Vanuatu. Donations will be used to fund water resources, food and other immediate needs of local communities.

#### Morocco Music Festival 2024 - Peace Corps Partnership

• The aim of this grant is to develop the professional skills of the youth towards greater potential for lifelong careers in music and sound, giving many local up and coming musicians more hope for their potential lifelong careers ahead.



### Paraguay Wildlife Project - Peace Corps Partnership

• Project led by Nick Gengler, a volunteer from Montana. It will support a local organization with the necessary tools to conduct biodiversity monitoring in one of Paraguay's crucial conservation areas.

### **Togo Water Pump Project -** *Peace Corps Partnership*

• This community led project seeks to install an electric water pump in the village to benefit the local primary and middle school by improving student health, sanitation, and supporting expanded agricultural programming for middle school students.

# <u>Montana:</u>

- Poverello Center Missoula Homeless Shelter
- Helena Food Share
- Flathead Food Bank Kalispell
- Habitat for Humanity of Missoula
- Jeannette Rankin Peace Center, Missoula, MT
- Missoula Food Bank
- Montana Food Bank Network
- Soft Landing Missoula Supporting the local refugee/immigrant community
- University of MT International Development Program program nurtures young people to become global change makers.

