

## Peace Corps Confidential Reference Form

Peace Corps Volunteers represent the United States and the American people in the countries and communities where they serve abroad. The Peace Corps expects Volunteers to conduct themselves at all times in a manner reflecting positively on the Peace Corps and the United States. Appropriate Volunteer conduct is critical because it is intimately tied to the safety and protection of Volunteers, and that of the communities and children they serve, as well as the reputation and effectiveness of Peace Corps programs. Please consider these factors carefully when completing this recommendation. Please include any concerns you have about this applicant working with children while in the Peace Corps; their drug or alcohol use; or other information that may inform our assessment of the applicant's suitability to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer.

Please rate on a scale of 1 - 5 (with 1 being the lowest and 5 the highest) the applicant's abilities in the following areas:

- a. Ability to work independently (with minimal/limited support)
- b. Commitment to Peace Corps service and host community
- c. Communication skills
- d. Cultural sensitivity
- e. Emotional maturity
- f. Flexibility in changing circumstances

Do you know of any reasons why this individual should not work with children? (Yes or No)

### Overall recommendation

Please select the one that best describes your final recommendation:

- I recommend the applicant without reservation for Peace Corps Response service.
- On the whole, I recommend the applicant for Peace Corps Response service.
- I have some reservations, but I feel that he or she has a reasonable chance of success in Peace Corps Response.
- I have substantial doubts about the applicant's suitability for Peace Corps Response service.
- I do not know the applicant well enough to appraise his or her qualifications to serve.

Please describe any reservations you have about the applicant's ability to serve as a Peace Corps Response Volunteer, or provide any additional information that may be helpful in our consideration of this candidate:

### Confidentiality Statement

The Privacy Act is a federal law that states that everyone has the right to know about and receive information about, or copies of, documents about them that are maintained by the federal government. This law provides that the Peace Corps may keep the identity of the source of this reference confidential only if you request that it be kept confidential. Please indicate below whether you do or do not wish your identity revealed to the applicant.

- I DO NOT authorize the Peace Corps to identify me as the source of this reference, nor do I authorize the Peace Corps to release a copy of this reference to the applicant. I realize that a summary of this reference may be released without my authority.

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- A. This request for information is authorized by the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) as amended.
- B. The information you provide will be used to evaluate a Peace Corps applicant's qualifications and suitability for Peace Corps service.
- C. This information may be used for the routine uses described in the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a, and the Peace Corps' published Routine Uses, summarized in [Peace Corps' System of Records](#).
- D. The completion of this request for information is voluntary. However, failure to complete the form may impair the ability of the Peace Corps to assess the qualifications of the applicant for consideration for Peace Corps service.

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Signature (please type name):

Date:

By clicking "Save," you will submit your response to Peace Corps Response.