



Professional Development (Reimbursable) Detail Opportunity – OIG FOIA Officer**

January 11, 2023 - Peace Corps (PC) Office of Inspector General (OIG) is pleased to offer a reimbursable detail opportunity (six months; longer considered) to current Inspector General community staff (GS11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 levels considered) familiar with FOIA and Privacy Act requirements to temporarily serve as OIG's FOIA Officer. This opportunity is available starting January 2023 and will remain open until filled.

Detail description

The Peace Corps' Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office has primary responsibility for the review and fulfillment of all FOIA and Privacy Act (PA) requests submitted to the agency in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552.

As a designated federal entity OIG and under agency regulations, OIG has delegated authority to independently receive, process, and respond to requesters and appellants when requests involve OIG records or documents. The OIG has contractor support services to process, coordinate and respond to FOIA/PA requests. As a small OIG, PCOIG is limited in its ability to separate duties concerning FOIA requests; FOIA processing, legal review and appeals. As the role involves inherently governmental functions, this reimbursable detail will bridge the gap until a new FOIA Officer can be recruited and hired while providing the detailee with unique FOIA experience with an OIG that has a worldwide mission.

The OIG FOIA Officer detailee will work collaboratively with PC OIG staff, OIG FOIA contractor and PC staff to manage and process FOIA and Privacy Act requests directed to OIG. The detailee will have the opportunity to review and process FOIA requests encompassing OIG Audits, Evaluations and Investigations work. We use FOIA Express to manage our FOIA requests/workload.

This reimbursable detail is a full-time assignment for at least six months. This reimbursable detail is both remote and telework eligible

**Peace Corps Manual Section 611 is applicable to this detail. This section prohibits the employment of certain persons previously engaged in intelligence activities or connected with intelligence agencies within the past 10 years. The policy is founded on the premise that it is crucial to the Peace Corps in carrying out its mission that there be a complete and total separation of Peace Corps from the intelligence activities of the United States Government or any foreign government, both in reality and appearance.

Agency Context

On March 1, 1961, President John F. Kennedy established the Peace Corps to promote world peace and friendship. The Peace Corps' mission has three simple goals:

- Helping the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women.

- Helping promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served.
- Helping promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans.

Peace Corps Office of Inspector General (OIG) is charged with oversight of Peace Corps' programs and ongoing review of agency policies and procedures. OIG is an independent entity within Peace Corps and has the broad responsibility established by the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, (IG Act) to: promote economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the Agency's programs, operations and management; prevent and detect fraud, waste and abuse in such programs and operations; conduct and supervise audits and investigations relating to programs, management and operations of the Agency; and keep the Director and the Congress fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies relating to the administration of such programs and operations and the necessity for, and progress of, corrective action. This oversight includes but is not limited to reviews of Peace Corps overseas posts and domestic offices. These reviews may assess (a) the agency's programs, policies, and procedures against program objectives; (b) volunteer support structures and systems; (c) systems for programming and reporting for effectiveness and efficiency; and (d) operations, activities, and administrative practices for adherence to applicable laws, regulations, policies and procedures and best practices.

Contact: Interested candidates should provide a resume and concurrence from their manager to:

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