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West Africa Peace Corps Volunteer Conference

Sharing Best Practices from the Field

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Dakar, Senegal

Dear Dedicated Volunteers:

Welcome to Dakar! We are tremendously excited to be hosting this conference at the Peace Corps/Senegal headquarters, and we thank you for your participation. Special thanks to presenting volunteers and our visiting Volunteers from other countries, some of whom paid their own way to get here.

This is a terrific opportunity for PCVs from around West Africa to share their stories, innovative ideas, successes, and lessons learned. "Sharing Best Practices from the Field" showcases and documents some of the highlights of what PCVs are doing around West Africa. We hope it inspires everyone to keep working hard and that it encourages further collaboration between Volunteers of all sectors.

We are also taking advantage of this gathering as a chance to document and disseminate Peace Corps activities, through our website (www.pcsenegal.org), videos, and the copies of presentations and reference documents included on USB keys (for each regional house in Senegal and each participating country).

The volunteers who are presenting over the next two days have worked tenaciously to put together a professional conference. Please thank them and show your support by actively participating in the sessions you choose to attend.

Enjoy the conference and WAIST. Please be safe and have fun.

Thanks,

Chris Hedrick, Country Director
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Conference Coordinator