



# Gender & Food Security

**T**he Peace Corps supports equal rights, freedoms, conditions, and opportunities for men and women. Peace Corps Volunteers are trained to use a gender lens in assessing community needs and planning activities, and to organize activities where the explicit goal is to empower communities with skills and knowledge to embrace positive, healthy gender norms.

Through integrating gender considerations into food security activities, Volunteers engage with community members to improve women's access to resources, increase women's input into productive decisions, and ultimately empower communities with the skills and knowledge to embrace positive and healthy gender norms.

## HOW PEACE CORPS PROMOTES GENDER IN FOOD SECURITY

**Building individual and community capacity, with targeted support to rural women**



**Promoting farmer outreach and extension programs to women**



**Cultivating the infrastructure to increase women's agricultural productivity**



**704**

Volunteers supported women in agriculture through training, assisting with new technologies, and other activities globally.



**366**

Volunteers worked to increase women's capacity in gardening through activities such as assisting women to establish and maintain gardens and improving garden productivity.



**1,048**

Volunteers engaged women in nutrition practices through activities such as nutrition education, cooking lessons, and nutrition demonstrations.

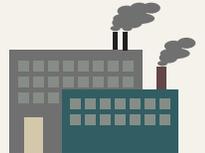


## EXAMPLES OF

## GENDER AND FOOD SECURITY ACTIVITIES

### Mexico

Peace Corps/Mexico utilized women's groups to connect gender and the impact of **climate change**.



### Burkina Faso

Peace Corps/Burkina Faso trained women's groups in **animal husbandry** and small business enterprise development.



### Nepal

Peace Corps/Nepal increased women's empowerment in **dairy farming** through training and improved technology.



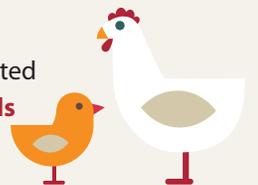
### Paraguay

Peace Corps/Paraguay **increased awareness surrounding nutrition** using weekly classes with women on nutrition, disease prevention through healthy eating, and maternal and child health.



### Morocco

Peace Corps/Morocco augmented women's **entrepreneurial skills** through raising chickens and selling eggs.



### Ghana

Peace Corps/Ghana expanded women's **small business** through connecting them to value chains and resources.



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