

Shriver Peaceworker Fellows Program Practical Idealist Alumni Awards



PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS, STAY AS YOU ARE. BE SERVANTS OF PEACE.
WORK AT HOME AS YOU HAVE WORKED ABROAD: HUMBLY, PERSISTENTLY, INTELLIGENTLY.
SERVE YOUR NEIGHBORHOODS. SERVE YOUR CITIES. SERVE THE POOR.
JOIN OTHERS WHO SERVE. SERVE...SERVE...SERVE...
THAT'S THE END. THAT IS THE CHALLENGE.
-SARGENT SHRIVER

The Shriver family established The Shriver Peaceworker Program to continue the legacy of Sargent Shriver, first director of the Peace Corps and one of the most creative and effective public servants of the 20th century. The program's vision of building peace and community through service and learning is best seen in the ongoing work of its alumni, who choose to lead lives of service and meaning in communities around the world.

The Shriver Practical Idealist Alumni Award was established in 2008 as a way of highlighting the spirit of engagement and accomplishment represented by the program's alums. The first award recipient was Alisa Glassman, who was part of the first Peaceworker cohort, and who currently works as the Lead Organizer for Action in Montgomery.

The award will be presented annually to an alum whose ongoing work exemplifies the practical idealism of the program's mission. All alums are eligible to be considered for this award, and it is our goal to use this as just one of many opportunities to focus on our alumni community's accomplishments.

The winner will receive their award at the annual Peace Corps Keynote, held in late October or early November.

Nomination Process

To nominate someone (including yourself), please send an email with a paragraph describing your rationale for making this nomination to Jennifer Arndt at jarndt@umbc.edu. Nominations will not be anonymous, but will remain private. In your rationale, please include a short description of how you know the nominee and your thoughts on how they exemplify Sargent Shriver's spirit of practical idealism that is the living legacy of the Peaceworker Program.

Once the nomination is received, we will contact each nominee to get their input on their nomination and to receive updated bio and work information. Each nominee will also be asked to submit an updated resume or CV.

Nominations for the award will be accepted through Friday, October 2nd.