



## **Notice of Scoping Meeting for Peace Corps Commemorative Design**

**To be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015  
First Congregational United Church of Christ  
945 G Street, NW  
Washington, DC  
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

The Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation (PCCF) proposes to establish a permanent commemorative of the founding of the Peace Corps and the ideals on which the Peace Corps was founded. The Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation, in cooperation with the National Park Service (NPS), is conducting a public scoping process to receive comments regarding the design of this commemorative work. The Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation would design and construct a memorial, and the NPS would be responsible for its long-term maintenance.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the NPS and the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation are preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) to identify alternatives and assess the potential impacts of the proposal. Concurrent to the NEPA process, the NPS and the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation will conduct a consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA).

As part of this planning effort, a public scoping meeting will be held by the NPS and the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at First Congregational United Church of Christ (945 G Street, NW) in Washington, DC. During this open house, the project team will be available to discuss design alternatives and characteristics.

The design scoping process builds on the site selection scoping process conducted in the Fall 2014. The PCCF and NPS received public comments regarding four sites considered during the site selection process. The PCCF and NPS subsequently selected a parcel bound by 1<sup>st</sup> and C Streets NW and Louisiana Avenue NW as the preferred site for the commemorative.

The public is invited to comment on the design of the proposed establishment of a memorial and to identify potential issues or concerns for consideration in the EA. During the meeting, comments may be submitted via written comment forms. In addition, you may submit comments electronically (the NPS preferred method of receiving comments) at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/nama>, by fax, or mail them directly. The NPS will accept comments on the proposed project through February 13, 2015.

Submit comments on-line by following the appropriate links at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/nama>

Fax comments to:  
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Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

If you require additional information or special assistance to attend and participate in this meeting, please contact Glenn DeMarr at 202.619.7027 or via email at [glenn\\_demarr@nps.gov](mailto:glenn_demarr@nps.gov).

The NPS, in cooperation with the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC), is evaluating an updated NEPA and Section 106 process for this memorial's site and design. The purpose of this revised process is to better align and support key decision points associated with each agency's NEPA and Section 106 responsibilities, and to ensure that the review is commensurate with the complexity of the project. The NPS and NCPC held a scoping meeting for memorial sites in the Fall 2014 and are proposing scoping for the design of the memorial at this time. Following both scoping periods, an EA will be created to document potential environmental impacts. This is a deviation from NCPC's existing Environmental and Historic Preservation Procedures, which requires separate NEPA and Section 106 processes for site selection and the design of the memorial. If you have questions on the proposed updated process and NCPC's guidelines, please contact Cheryl Kelly of NCPC at 202-482-7291 or [cheryl.kelly@ncpc.gov](mailto:cheryl.kelly@ncpc.gov).