



# 2014 Malaria EXPO

HELPING RWANDANS FIND A MALARIA-FREE FUTURE

March 21-24



Join us and receive training and resources to implement your own malaria prevention and control project(s). Together, you and your counterpart can reduce malaria sickness and death in your community. You can help Rwandans find a malaria-free future. Participants will choose the activities they want to implement prior to the event. Supplies will then be made available for free at the EXPO. Tee-shirts will be provided to all participants. Counterparts will receive transportation reimbursement and a small per diem. EXPO applications are due Monday, Feb. 24.

- Mural Painting
- Sporting Events
- Net Use Photo Contest
- Community Carnivals
- Theater Tours
- Net Demonstrations
- Lesson Plans
- Teacher & Health Worker Capacity Building

“Malaria is a disease that kills one to three million people a year. 300 to 500 million cases are reported. It's estimated that Africa loses about \$13 billion a year to the disease. Five dollars can save a life. We can send people to the moon; we can see if there's life on Mars - why can't we get \$5 nets to 500 million people?” -Jacqueline Novogratz

Participants will be expected to implement projects between April 25-May 23. They will have an advantage in Peace Corps Rwanda's World Malaria Month Competition and be eligible for its prize winnings.

**Contact Rwanda's Stomping Out Malaria in Africa National Coordinators for more information.**

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## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: Who will be picked to attend the EXPO?**

A: Participants will be selected on a first come, first serve basis. STOMP Rwanda is an inclusive group and seeks to involve volunteers from every sector, region and training class.

**Q: Where and when will the EXPO be held?**

A: STOMP Rwanda is currently working with Peace Corps to finalize a location for the EXPO. The EXPO will be held at a hotel within 1-2 hours of Kigali. Participants will be asked to arrive by dinner time Friday and depart right after lunch Monday.

**Q: What kind of resources will be provided to me? Will I get to pick what activities I want resources for?**

A: EXPO participants will have their choice of select project(s) and be given support resources for implementation. For example, PCVs wanting to create a malaria mural in their community will receive paint and stencils. PCVs wanting to conduct a sporting event will receive a ball of their choice, a whistle, and supplies for a malaria halftime show. PCVs participating in the net photo competition will receive free color printing of their photos. A detailed list of projects and resources will be sent to participants in early March. Participants will have one week to rank their preferences. Decisions will then be made based on available funding.

**Q: I know I can find a counterpart to attend, but right now I don't know exactly who it will be. Can I still apply?**

A: Yes. STOMP Rwanda will be accepting applications until Monday, Feb. 24. As long as your application is in on time, you will be considered. While we prefer to know who your counterpart will be as soon as possible, we understand it can be difficult to get this information so far in advance. All counterpart names must be submitted by Monday, March 4.

**Q: Does my counterpart get paid?**

A: Your counterpart will receive reimbursement for their travel to and from the training. They will also receive a 3,000 RWF per diem and a tee-shirt once the STOMP Rwanda Team receives documentation of completed malaria project(s). Food and lodging will be provided to counterparts at the training free of charge.

**Q: Do I get paid?**

A: No. PCVs will be responsible for their own transportation and expenses. Like their counterparts, PCVs will receive tee-shirt once the STOMP Rwanda Team receives documentation of completed malaria project(s). Food and lodging will be provided to PCVs at the training free of charge.

**Q: Can a student leader be my counterpart?**

A: Yes. You pick your counterpart. A counterpart can be any host-country national interested in helping to eliminate malaria from Africa. While most counterparts are likely to be professionals in the health and education sectors, feel free to bring a community or student leader interested in doing more. Counterparts must be at least 18-years-old.

**Q: What is expected for follow-up? How long do we have to complete our selected project(s)?**

A: Participants are expected to implement any project(s) they receive resources for throughout the months of April and May during Peace Corps Rwanda's World Malaria Month Competition.

**Q: What is Peace Corps Rwanda's World Malaria Month Competition? What are the prizes?**

A: Peace Corps Rwanda's World Malaria Month Competition is a contest between PCVs and regions to see who can do the most with malaria between April 25 and May 23. A celebration of World Malaria Day, regional and individual winners will be eligible for prizes such as gift cards to area restaurants and tourist attractions.

**Q: Doesn't this conference conflict with the H4 COS Conference?**

A: No. H4 COS Conference is scheduled for March 25-27. There will be adequate time for travel between the two events. H4 members are encouraged to participate in the Malaria EXPO.

**Q: Do members of the STOMP Rwanda Team need to apply, even if they are helping to facilitate sessions?**

A: Yes. Everyone who wants to attend, even as a facilitator, must fill out an EXPO application EXPO facilitators are also responsible for bringing counterparts.