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Unbelievable. It is the only way I can describe 2020.

It is also unbelievable to me that Atlas Corps supported more leaders in 2020 than any other year. We overcame the lockdown. We superseded limitations on international travel by adapting our organization. We modified our 12-month fellowship in the United States into a **blended program** that combines service from abroad with service in the United States. We launched the **Virtual Leadership Institute** to train global social change leaders with core aspects of our model. We reaffirmed our longstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion by enhancing our training to address racial justice and equity.

In short, we rejected failure and chose to believe in superheroes. We faced unbelievable world events with inspiration from our community of superheroes—Atlas Corps Fellows who are achieving global impact. Thank you for believing in our community of **1,000+ emerging leaders from 105 countries!** Thank you for supporting superheroes like Medha Sharma (Class 16, Nepal) who we honored with the 2020 Alumni Changemaker Award.

While the problems of the world are too great to solve alone, there is no challenge we cannot tackle together. We believe in the power of superheroes. We believe in talented global leaders like Atlas Corps Virtual Scholars Cohort 2 who start their program in January 2021.

Thank you for connecting talent to opportunity. Thank you for believing in superheroes. Thank you for supporting Atlas Corps!

Be unbelievable!

Scott Beale

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Founder & Member of the Board of Directors, Atlas Corps



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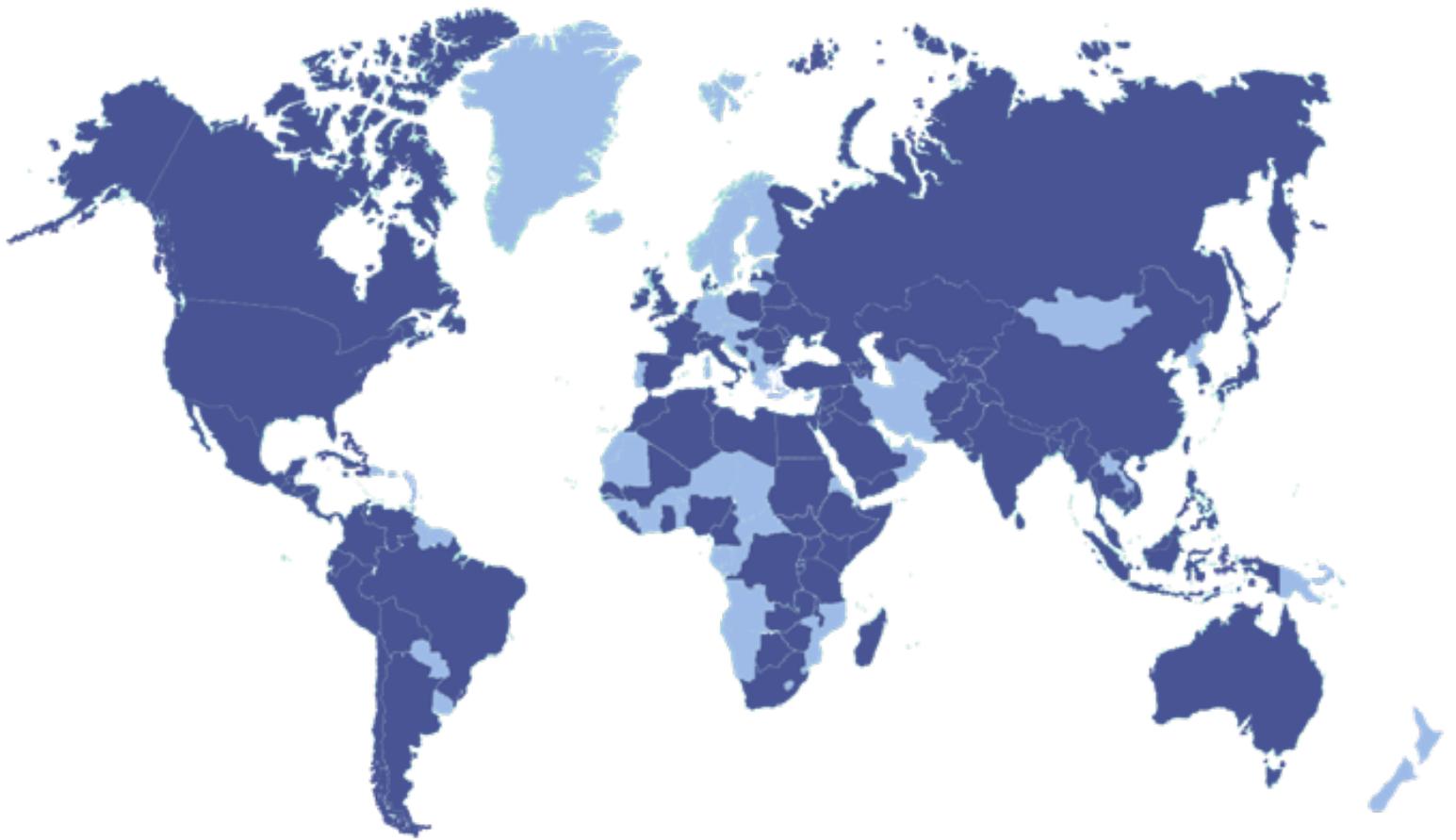
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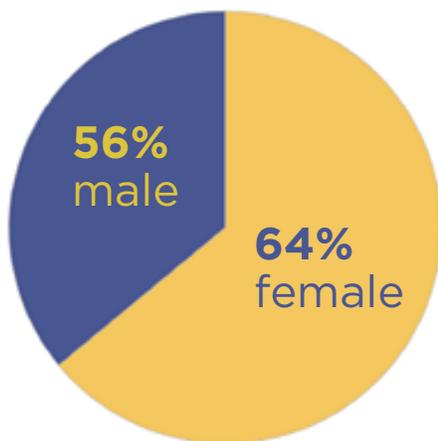
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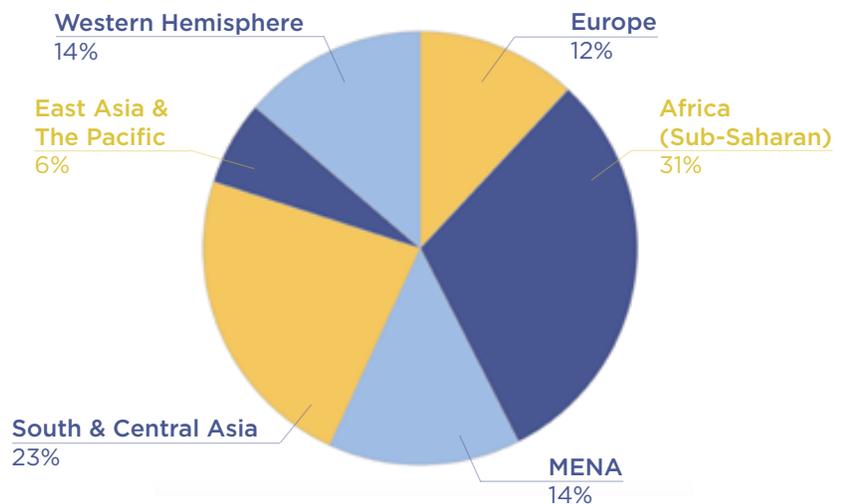
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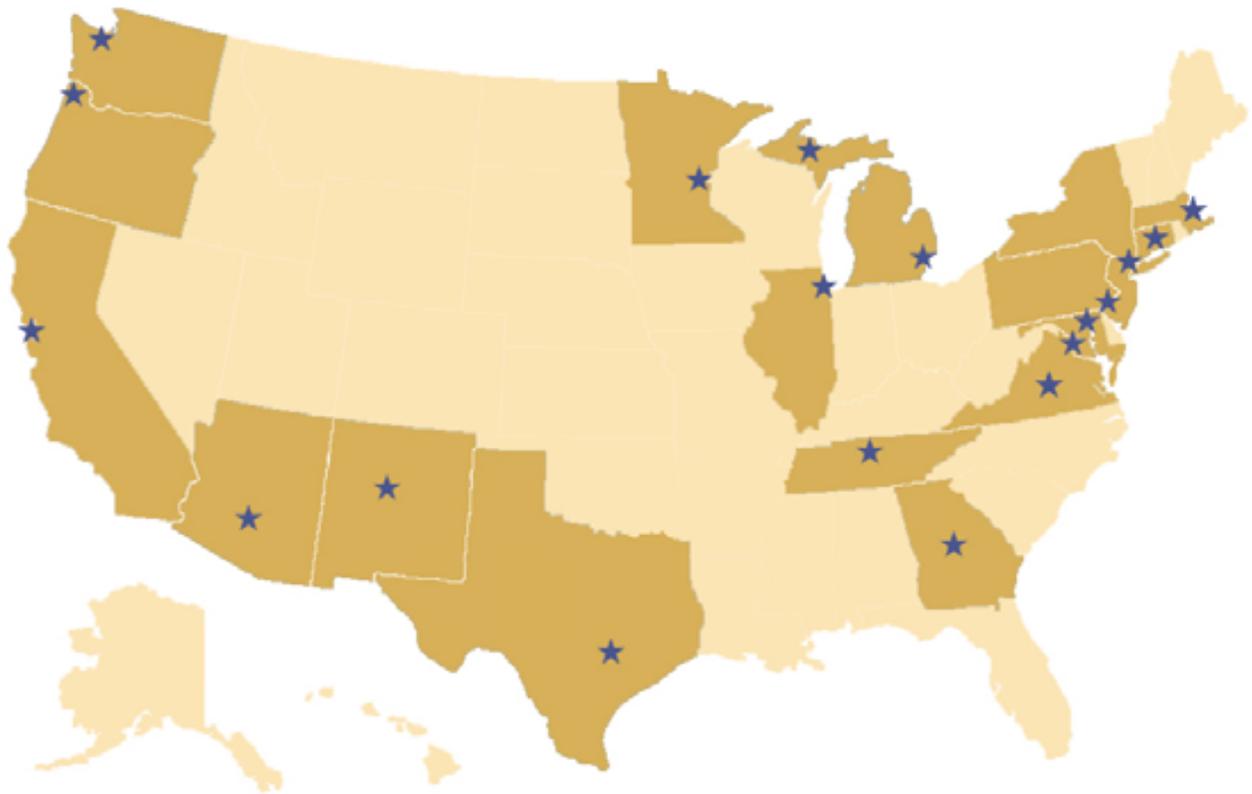
REGIONS



Atlas Corps welcomes people from all races, ethnicities, and faiths, and welcomes individuals of all gender identities, sexual orientations, abilities, and political views.

300+ HOST ORGANIZATIONS

Where are our Host Organizations?



MEET ATLAS CORPS HOST ORGANIZATIONS



We invite you to add diversity to your team and build capacity by hosting an international social change leader for 12-18 months! Contact our Partnerships Team at partners@atlascorps.org.



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BELIEVE IN SUPERHEROES

Atlas Corps highlights Fellows and Alumni who are fighting against COVID-19, supporting communities during the pandemic, and increasing awareness about the disease.

Find all featured stories [here](#).



Adnen Ben Haj Yahia (Nino)

Class 26, Tunisia, Host: PYXERA Global
Current: EL SPACE Social Innovation Hub (Tunisia)

Atlas Corps Alumnus **Nino** (Class 26, Tunisia) returned home after his Fellowship and started to work as the Executive Director of EL SPACE Social Innovation Hub, which he co-founded in 2015.

In 2019, **EL SPACE Social Innovation Hub** became an affiliate hub of Open Gov Hub, Atlas Corps Host Organization. EL SPACE Social Innovation Hub is a social entrepreneurship and innovation organization that is creating sustainable community practices for a better Tunisia and a better world. EL SPACE does this by supporting innovators in training, networking, and design for their social impact projects.

In 2020, EL SPACE has partnered with the Ministry of Health in Tunisia to fight the spread of COVID-19. As a part of Makers Against Corona Initiative, Nino gathers together makers with 3D printers at EL SPACE to provide needed face shields for medical staff of Tunisian hospitals.

“Atlas Corps allowed me to build a global network of contributors, mentors, and friends. These networks allow me to do the work that I do, and help reach others with my work,” Nino shares.

Nino has been growing his organization and optimizing its processes. Through Atlas Corps, he learned the best practices in the US and then adapted them to Tunisia. After the Fellowship and returning home, his organization’s impact doubled in less than a year!

To all upcoming Atlas Corps Fellows, Nino encourages you to be your authentic self. He is sure that this experience will give you as much as you invest in it.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





Miguel Aguirre

Class 29, Ecuador
Current: IFRC

This year, Atlas Corps Alumnus **Miguel** (Class 29, Ecuador) and our current Fellow **Tassia** (Class 37, Jamaica, Host: American Red Cross) collaborated to deliver Red Cross and Red Crescent COVID-19 project amidst pandemic.

After his Fellowship, Miguel joined the team at **International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)** in Switzerland. As a member of the Disaster and Crisis Unit, he is developing communication materials to create awareness and respond effectively to the COVID-19 pandemic. Miguel's work is focused on Red Cross and Red Crescent staff members with guidance materials on how to respond from the institutional perspective.

"This pandemic is a call to our humanity. Physical distancing doesn't imply being lonely; we must keep in touch with our beloved ones. Technology is the bridge that transport our best energy to overcome this crisis together," Miguel shares.



Tassia Stewart

Class 37, Jamaica
Host: American Red Cross

"As communications professionals our skills can be of most value in times of crises when the timely transmission of accurate information becomes a matter of life and death," Tassia shares.

Tassia currently serves at her Host Organization, **American Red Cross** in Washington DC. As part of a team she participates in providing back-office support through the dissemination of critical guidance material, business continuity planning and help desk support.

In the beginning of the current pandemic, Tassia and Miguel combining their efforts against COVID-19 to create and distribute activities and games to support those with small children and who are in need of materials to educate and engage them during this challenging time in a project name "**Kids Activity Kit: COVID-19**".

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).



KIDS ACTIVITY KIT: COVID-19

Activities and Resources for Children





Trina Talukdar

Class 15, India, Host: AMEX Foundation
Current: Kranti (India)

After the Fellowship, Atlas Corps Alumna **Trina** (Class 15, India) co-founded **Kranti**, a women's rights NGO that empowers girls from Mumbai's red-light areas to become agents of social change. Kranti provides a healing home, healthcare and psychotherapy, comprehensive education, leadership training, and personalized opportunities to India's socially disadvantaged young women.

In the past 5 years, Kranti's girls have become the first girls from India's red-light area to study abroad, received UN awards for their social work, and given 25+ TEDx talks worldwide.

Trina runs Kranti's fundraising with creativity—the girls supported by Kranti are conducting yoga, meditation, Zumba, and other online classes, and people are donating to attend these classes. Kranti uses their donations to provide relief to underserved communities. Hence, Trina and her organization work towards the well-being of their donors and the supporting communities.

“There are many patients and families who been kicked out of hospitals overnight to make space for coronavirus infected patients, At Kranti, we are raising funds to provide food and healthcare to these and other invisible groups in India,” Trina shares.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Trina and her team continue to support disadvantaged women and other marginalized groups in Mumbai. They have been giving freshly cooked meals to over 100 people every day. The Kranti team had to get police permission to volunteer in distributing the food or other goods during the lockdown.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





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ALUMNI IMPACT

Atlas Corps features the terrific work and achievements of our outstanding Alumni who have tackled critical social issues in their home countries and worldwide.

Find all featured stories [here](#).



Edison Frangu

Class 26, Albania, Host: Open Gov Hub
Current: Open Gov Hub Albania

Within a couple of years of completing his Fellowship and moving back to Albania, Atlas Corps Alumnus **Edison** (Class 26, Albania) started to work as the Head of Entrepreneurship support sector at the Albanian Development Fund for Diaspora at the Ministry of State for Diaspora.

After a while, Edison founded **Open Gov Hub Albania**, an affiliate hub of Open Gov Hub, an Atlas Corps Host Organization where Edison served during the Atlas Corps Fellowship. Edison is currently an adviser to mayors of two municipalities in Albania, and has even coordinate some projects with other local authorities.

Open Gov Hub Albania is a nonprofit organization that aims to contribute to the development of the civil society that will play an ineradicable role in the political and economic development of the Republic of Albania (and within the Western Balkans, the Mediterranean, European and global contexts).

“Atlas Corps provided me with the opportunity to get to know myself better and my capabilities to be a social changemaker in Albania and beyond. If you want to be yourself and see what you can really do, Atlas Corps is the perfect place!” Edison shares.

In line with its objectives, the Open Gov Hub Albania team organizes conferences and seminars, training, refinement, and updating courses, promotes studies and research laboratories, publishes papers and studies, conducts surveys, collects and facilitates disseminating information related to the field of open government.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





Medha Sharma

Class 16, Nepal, Host: Nike Foundation
Current: Visible Impact (Nepal)

Atlas Corps Alumna **Medha** (Class 16, Nepal) was recognized as an Atlas Corps Alumni Changemaker Honoree in 2020! The award acknowledges Atlas Corps Alumni that have demonstrated the capacity to affect meaningful change on a global scale and who have a record of accomplishment as well as the prospect of continuing impact.

As the founder of **Visible Impact**, Medha has supported women and youth in Nepal by developing their leadership skills and protecting their sexual and reproductive rights. In addition to providing access to menstrual products and health services, Medha and her team have led public education efforts to prevent the spread of misinformation.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Medha and the Visible Impact team continue to support women and girls in Nepal by protecting their sexual and reproductive rights and ensuring that they have access to necessary services and products during the lockdown.

“My Atlas Corps experience exposed me to Girls Centered Programming that my Host Organization, Nike Foundation, was implementing at various parts of the globe. I realized that I could translate these into programming in my country,” Medha shares.

Recently, Medha also shared a panel with UNFPA Executive Director Dr. Natalia Kanem during her visit to Nepal. Earlier, she moderated the discussion between the UNCEDAW committee and Nepal’s CSOs. Medha has also shared her youth leadership experiences at various international forums as a resource person, speaker, moderator, etc.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





Rehema Namukose

Class 14, Uganda, Host: Women Deliver
Current: Re!gnite Africa (Uganda)

Returning home after the Fellowship, Atlas Corps Alumna **Rehema** (Class 14, Uganda) founded Re!gnite Africa, to tackle unemployment in Uganda.

Founded in 2015, **Re!gnite Africa** has directly changed the lives of over 300 young adults and leaders and impacted over 5000 people in Uganda and beyond. During the COVID-19 lockdown, Rehema and Re!gnite Africa have continued to support young adults new to the world of work/in search of employment in Uganda and worldwide.

Re!gnite Africa implemented a COVID-19 response project that seeks to monitor, analyze and document stories and experiences of youth artists and activists dealing with the impact of the government's COVID-19 guidelines and measures on their livelihood and well-being. The platform features artwork from youth activists and artists aged 18 -30 in the form of poems, drawings, articles and/stories, and songs on its online media platforms.

“During the Fellowship, I got introduced to the idea of discovering my true self, the things that excite me, my comfort zone, and how to achieve growth out of it, my strengths and weaknesses. I am grateful for this unique journey,” Rehema shares.

Since Re!gnite Africa focused on unemployment as a social issue, it also introduced a four-part series of online reflections/learnings in the form of conversations with experts on a wide range of topics related to labor/employment.

Rehema wishes all Atlas Corps Fellows to learn to speak out for themselves in every community they will live in during their Atlas Corps journey.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).



Support Atlas Corps Leaders

Will you make your #GlobalImpact with Atlas Corps?



Support Atlas Corps and empower our global network of 1,000+ social change leaders from 105 countries who possess the training, skills, and commitment to solve the world's most pressing issues. **BONUS!** Reserve your participation in the 15 Year Anniversary on November 20, 2021 with a \$250 donation!

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HOST ORGANIZATION SPOTLIGHT

Host Organizations have engaged Atlas Corps Fellows as a key component of their talent management strategy to expand capacity in growing areas and diversify their teams with added global perspective.

Find all featured stories [here](#).



Jaquell Sneed-Adams

Boston Program Director,
Teen Empowerment



The Center for Teen Empowerment helps low-income, urban youth hone their understanding of the social problems they face and use their talents and skills to create change in their lives and communities.

In 2018-2019, Teen Empowerment hosted Fellow **Patience (Class 33, Nigeria)**—pictured center—who served as the Program Coordinator Fellow. During the Fellowship, Patience facilitated daily group sessions alongside other adult Program Coordinators by supporting the youth in a program to organize small and large scale community events on issues youth face in Boston.

“The Atlas Corps Fellowship and my time in the U.S. has sparked in me the desire to amplify youth voice in ways we’ve ignored in my home country. I intend to put all lessons learned to good use by empowering youth in Nigeria, and more so importantly, by being partners with young people in this work of youth development,” Patience shares.

“At the time, we were made aware of Atlas Corp; it presented an incredible opportunity to introduce a new perspective and experience to our team,” Jaquell shares.

“There are a number of ways that Patience has left an impact on our organization. One way in particular that has happened quite recently, was her work around building a foundation for our future alumni engagement work. She researched successful strategies and systems and came up with ideas for how we can continue building this engagement well after she’s back home in Nigeria. In the nature of our work, people and movement building are essential. So, her work on our alumni engagement will certainly have a large and long-lasting impact,” Jaquell shares.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





Jeffrey Siminoff

Senior Vice President, Workplace Dignity, RFK Human Rights

**ROBERT F.
KENNEDY
HUMAN
RIGHTS**

Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights works with local activists to protect and promote human rights in the United States and globally. At RFK Human Rights, attorneys, advocates, entrepreneurs, writers, and more work together to promote social justice and human rights.

In 2019, Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights hosted Fellow **Niccolò** (*Class 35, Italy*). Niccolò served as the Workplace Dignity Fellow. He helped his supervisor, Senior Vice President Jeffrey Siminoff, as they built out the Advisory Council for Workplace Dignity, conducted academic research on dignity at work, as well as organized meetings and calls.

“My experience with Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights definitely had a huge impact on my life. I learned how important it is to have a strong work ethic, gain confidence in speaking in front of important people, use many digital tools, and how every single social issue is interrelated. I hope to continue working to ensure workers’ rights all over the world,” Niccolò shares.

“At Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights, we want to ensure that we are bringing different perspectives to our work. Niccolò contributes to that, both generationally and from a global point of view,” Jeffrey shares.

“Niccolò’s contributions are helping to form the foundation of our Workplace Dignity program, a new initiative bridging our long-standing, international human rights work and how these principles apply to the workplace. When we look back on where we started, it will be with an appreciative eye toward Niccolò’s involvement. In addition, we will always value the non-U.S. point of view that Niccolò has brought to our work,” Jeffrey shares.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





Rachel Heavner

Associate Director of Insights,
Worldreader



Worldreader is a fast-growing literacy organization that supports education and readers worldwide in 47 countries and 52 languages. Worldreader has a multilayered approach in supplying books, technology, and programs to children and societies in need.

In 2019-2020, Worldreader hosted Fellow **Ejaz** (*Class 35, Pakistan*)—pictured third from right. Ejaz served as an Impact and Evaluation Fellow, assisting the I&E department in building and streamlining measurement and evaluation processes. Ejaz also developed M&E tools and the high-level metrics dashboards, conducted data analysis, wrote donor reports, and ensured proper data storage systems maintenance.

“Working with a dynamic and fast-growing team has been an incredible journey in my professional life. I learned from this team how important it is to have a strong work ethic, how to gain confidence speaking in front of important people, and how to use many digital tools,” Ejaz shares.

“Hosting an Atlas Corps Fellow has been a wonderful experience and we are so grateful to Ejaz for all the work he has done and the light and joy he has brought to our working environment,” Rachel shares.

“As a global reading organization, we are always looking for new and diverse perspectives to bring onto the team and value cross-national dialogue and collaboration. Working with Atlas Corps has both allowed us the benefit of much needed support for our Monitoring and Evaluation team from an established professional, and the opportunity to learn from the unique perspective that Atlas Corps fellows have brought to the San Francisco office,” Rachel shares.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





BENEFITS OF HOSTING A FELLOW



Utilize expertise of rising professionals



Strengthen team with diverse perspective for 12-18 months



Streamline recruitment and hiring efforts



Focus on talent while Atlas Corps handles administrative tasks
(Stipend, health insurance, visa fees, flight, taxes, etc)

HOST RESPONSIBILITIES



Contribute a cost share of \$37,000 - \$50,000*
* Ask our Partnerships Team about current specially-funded opportunities



Provide daily management, meaningful work opportunities and professional development



Offer a workspace (desk, phone, computer)



Attend a site supervisor orientation to prepare for a successful Fellowship



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FELLOW EXPERIENCE

Atlas Corps Fellows represent the richness of diversity, inclusion, and cultural awareness. Now, more than ever, we need to keep building bridges between social changes leaders from around the world.

Find all featured stories [here](#).



Caroline Awuor Onyuka

Class 36, Kenya
Host: Kiva Microfunds

In 2019-2020, Atlas Corps Fellow **Awuor** (Class 36, Kenya) served as a Strategic Partnerships Fellow at Kiva Microfunds.

Kiva Microfunds is an international nonprofit with a mission to expand financial access to help underserved communities thrive. By expanding financial access, the organization is able to unlock new opportunities for its borrowers and change the trajectories of their futures.

During her Fellowship, Awuor managed the strategic relationships with foundations, family foundations, individuals, international and corporate organizations to increase their participation in bridging the financial access gap for the unbanked population. Awuor's role included developing an 80-country partnership development work plan, supporting partnerships maintenance and relationship development, tracking and reporting on partnership development, and reporting on the outcomes.

“Atlas Corps has provided me with a platform to pursue my dream of working for one of the pioneer crowdfunding organizations. I have been able to work for solving some of the world’s challenges,” Awuor shares.

Awuor also launched the “Thank You Videos” project to express the gratitude of Kiva’s borrowers. Every year, Kiva gives its employees an opportunity to visit their borrowers to learn first hand the impact of their work. Awuor took that chance to request staff to take videos of borrowers in the field with the caption of “thank you” from the borrowers in their local dialect.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).

Atlas Corps Fellows served at Kiva Microfunds in 2019-2020. Awuor—pictured far left.





Chewe Fredrick Mulenga

Class 36, Zambia
Host: Promundo-US

Last year, Atlas Corps Fellow **Chewe** (Class 36, Zambia) served as a Research and Programs Fellow at Promundo-US. **Promundo** is a non-governmental organization and a global leader in engaging men and boys in promoting gender equality and preventing violence.

During his Fellowship at Promundo-US, Chewe supported a wide range of research, programs, and advocacy activities related to gender and masculinities across sectors such as health, violence prevention, and economic empowerment.

Chewe also participated in the development and implementation of gender-transformative programming. For instance, in Malawi, he led the training of facilitators. In Nigeria, Chewe developed research tools and conducted research with Islamic religious leaders and co-authored a brief titled “Engaging Religious Leaders in Reducing Maternal and Child Mortality” and “Gender Equality: Field Experiences from the SHOW Project”.

“Atlas Corps is without doubt the best organization because it offers such a unique opportunity for young people, particularly from the global south, to go to the United States and share their experiences whilst undergoing proper learning,” Chewe shares.

Furthermore, Chewe participated in the development of curricula such as the “Act With Her” adolescent empowerment curricula and a suite of materials for adolescent boys, girls, and parents of adolescents for Ethiopia and will be adapted to other countries around the world. He also did several presentations in the US showcasing Promundo’s work.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).





Wissal Khadrouf

Class 36, Morocco
Host: Microsoft

In 2019-2020, Atlas Corps Fellow **Wissal** (Class 36, Morocco) served as a Program Management Fellow at the Microsoft's Airband Initiative.

The Microsoft Airband Initiative aims to extend affordable broadband access to rural communities and help close the digital divide, particularly in the areas of agriculture, education, healthcare, and small-business enablement.

At her Host Organization, Wissal's role was to support the Senior Program Manager on the Airband team to improve the consistency, quality, and efficiency of the team's project management tools and processes.

During the fellowship, Wissal also coordinated and organized a summit for 120+ Airband partners, and created a business process playbook for the Airband team to record, maintain, and improve processes. She worked on data analysis and visualization using Power BI, and improved the reporting processes.

"I made one of the best and bravest decisions of my life to leave my stable and very well established life in Morocco and apply to the Atlas Corps Fellowship. From that moment everything was amazing!" Wissal shares.

Wissal is someone who seeks a sense of purpose to improve the human condition and make people's lives better. She knows that there is more to life than making money and stable living, so working on a project with an impact of changing people's lives by giving them internet access and empowering them to do more and be better is what makes me wake up every day excited and happy to go to work.

Read the full story on the Atlas Corps blog [here](#).

Atlas Corps Fellows Wissal (second from the left) & Karam (Class 36, Palestinian Fellow)—far right



ATLAS CORPS PROGRAMS

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FELLOWSHIP

Blended & In-Person

The Atlas Corps In-Person Fellowship is a 12-18 month Fellowship in the United States for the world's top social change leaders. Fellows serve full-time with Host Organizations to develop leadership skills and learn effective practices through the Atlas Corps Global Leadership Lab professional development series and networking opportunities with other Fellows.

Our new Blended Fellowship combines virtual service from Fellows' home countries with service in the United States, along with in-person and virtual training through our Global Leadership Lab. The total length of the Fellowship is typically 14 months but can be extended by agreement of the Fellow and Host.

VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Atlas Corps Virtual Leadership Institute is an online learning community for global social change leaders based on the established Atlas Corps Global Leadership Lab. Participants, known as Atlas Corps Scholars, enhance their professional skills, build their global networks, and prepare for leadership in their home communities.

Along with our general cohorts of the Institute, Atlas Corps is implementing special leadership development initiatives for emerging social change leaders from Indonesia, Madagascar, Russia, and the United States, which are partially supported by the U.S. Department of States.

FELLOWSHIP PLACEMENTS AVAILABLE

We are looking for applicants with two or more years of full-time experience in at least one of the following areas to fill roles in leading social change organizations:

- Communications & Marketing
- Journalism & Media
- Event Planning
- Consulting
- Partnership-Building & Business Development
- Program Management & Project Management
- Finance & Accounting
- Fundraising & Proposal Writing
- Technology & Engineering
- Monitoring & Evaluation & Data Analysis
- Operations & Human Resources
- Curriculum Writing & Training Development
- Research & Report Writing
- Volunteer Recruitment & Volunteer Management
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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Atlas Corps appreciates our volunteers' invaluable efforts as they assist throughout the selection process, serve as Local Ambassadors, and help Scholars develop their leadership projects as Group Captains.

Find all featured stories [here](#).



Krista Westerlund

Local Ambassador in Washington DC
Selection Board Member

Krista is an outstanding Atlas Corps Selection Board Member who also serves as a Local Ambassador helping Fellows get acclimated to life in a new city.

As a Selection Board Member and Local Ambassador, Krista's work with Atlas Corps is truly essential. She's there on every step of the journey from interviewing potential candidates to supporting them throughout their Fellowship once they are selected.

Krista first found out about Atlas Corps after taking a class with Atlas Corps Fellow **Arwa** (*Class 26, Tunisia*) with the Global Language Network, where she currently works as Mission Advocate/Corporate Manager. The Global Language Network is a 501(c)3 nonprofit program supporting language education and professional development. After being impressed by Arwa's professional expertise in solar engineering, Krista decided that she wanted to learn more about the Atlas Corps Fellowship and our Fellows.

"Throughout my experience with Atlas Corps Fellows whom I have known, I learned that they are gifted, enthusiastic and altruistic changemakers who can be relied on for their professionalism and skills," Krista shares.

Currently, Krista serves as Local Ambassador to Atlas Corps Fellow **Wiem** (*Class 38, Tunisia*) while she performs her Fellowship with the Meridian International Center in Washington DC.

"I met Krista a few days into my new journey in Washington DC. She was like a gate to the American culture, she helped me have a broader perspective into life in Washington DC and in the US," Wiem shares.

Become a Selection Board Member [here](#).





Sunga Kufeyani

Group Captain at the Virtual Leadership Institute
Atlas Corps Alumna (Class 34, Malawi)

After finishing her Fellowship, Atlas Corps Alumna **Sunga** (Class 34, Malawi, Host: *Philanthropy University*) became a Group Captain for the first cohort of Scholars at the Atlas Corps Virtual Leadership Institute.

Currently, Sunga is a co-founder and COO of a nonprofit organization called Loving Arms, a Malawian NGO that works with young people in education.

The Fellowship in the United States helped Sunga grow as a person, professional, and leader. She learned and gained a lot from this experience that volunteering as a Group Captain was an easy yes for her to give back for all the benefits she enjoyed during and after her Fellowship.

Sunga has enjoyed working with her group of Scholars. Creating a seamless virtual community is difficult, but through this experience Sunga has been able to practice her facilitation skills while keeping her team engaged.

“My team and I joke about me becoming a president, and you know one day I might be, so apart from learning, leading, you are gaining a great network and a group of cheerleaders who will support you on your journey too,” Sunga shares.

Atlas Corps Scholar **Emmanuel** (Cohort 1, Mali) says, “Regarding the Virtual Leadership Institute, it is an amazing experience to me. I have learned a lot and keep learning more things to reinforce myself as a leader to improve a project with high social impact. Sunga is a wonderful Group Captain. I appreciate her passion and leadership skills in managing our group. Sunga’s energy illuminates the group.”

Apply to become a Group Captain [here](#).

Atlas Corps Fellow Sunga (Class 34, Malawi) facilitates a discussion during the Atlas Corps Immersion.





William Weech

Local Ambassador in Washington DC

Bill describes himself as a semi-retired man of service and exploration. He worked at the Foreign Service Institute of the US Department of State for 28 years before retiring in 2015. Since retiring, he has been using his teaching and human relation skills to help people as well serving as an Adjunct Professor of Management at George Mason University.

After retiring, Bill wants to give back to the world that has given him so much. Atlas Corps seemed like a good fit for him given his international experiences. Bill enjoys meeting people from other cultures—in fact, he is involved in several volunteer activities that have this common theme. Serving as a Local Ambassador allows Bill to help newcomers Atlas Corps Fellows to settle in the U.S. and to show them around DC.

Before the pandemic, Bill served as a Local Ambassador to Fellow **Hafsah** (*Class 35, Pakistan*) while she performed her Fellowship with Cultural Visitas in Washington DC.

“I have really enjoyed getting to know Hafsah—and so has my family. It’s great to have a new friend. Also, the messages from Atlas Corps about activities in our area have prompted me to go to a couple of events I might not otherwise have known about or gone to. It has been enriching on several levels,” Bill shares.

“Bill and his family took me in as one of their own. From tasting Ethiopian food to exploring Old Town Alexandria, I had plenty of opportunities to meet Bill and his family. I also became friends with Bill’s daughter Jo; we’re still in touch,” Hafsah—pictured right—shares.

Apply to become a Local ambassador [here](#).





Get Involved with Atlas Corps

Atlas Corps facilitates fellowships for the world's top social change leaders who serve virtually and in-person at organizations in the United States. The Atlas Corps network includes 1,000+ leaders from 105 countries and 300 Host Organizations throughout the United States.

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HOW CAN YOU HELP?



BE A GROUP CAPTAIN

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Our Selection Board read applications or interview top candidates via Skype to help us identify the best candidates for our programs.

Expected Time Commitment: approx. 5 hours per month, for 4 months.



BE A LOCAL AMBASSADOR

Get to know an amazing nonprofit leader from another part of the world and help them feel at home in a new country and city.

Expected Time Commitment: approx. 3 hours per month, for 4 months.



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