Volunteer Opportunity Match

Diaspora Day of Civic Hacking

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Peace Corps Challenge

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the client

The Peace Corps sends Americans abroad to tackle the most pressing needs of people around the world.

the problem

Before

Applicants apply to Peace Corps, get matched by Peace Corps Headquarters to a program.

Now

Applicants apply to specific projects and countries.

Staying current with Peace Corps opportunities puts a heavy burden on potential applicants.

There are limited ways to engage with the data-stream, feel connected to it, and be able to react to on-demand opportunities to serve.

the solution

Help potential applicants see the range and scope of projects as well feel more connected to particular projects that match their skills and interests.
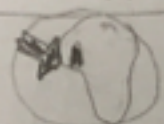
the proposal

Create a 'matching' app or web interface that allows users to set up a profile of volunteer positions in which they would be interested (for example, 'Environment' opportunities in 'Togo'), as well as their qualifications ('2 years of French', Available to depart after May 1').

Then, using the newly-published Peace Corps API of Peace Corps Opportunities (volunteer spots), they can be 'matched' with opportunities that fit their interests and qualifications.

Screen 1 — Peace Corps Match

≡ Peace Corps
Match

Togo
Literacy Specialist

As a Literacy Specialist in Togo, you'll work with local teachers to develop innovative approaches to improving literacy among elementary school students

You'll talk to:
Devon Brown - Recruiter

Tap for more info

[No]   [Yes]

Screen 2

←   [No] [Yes]

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Togo - Literacy Specialist

Start/End Dates:
June 2015 - Aug 2017 (2yrs 3mos)

Apply By: Feb 2015
16 positions available

Job Description:
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Skills Wanted
[BA/BS] [Tutoring] [Youth]
Website
Peacecorps.gov

Screen 3 — Create a Video

Create a Video

People who create a profile are 10x more likely to get an interview

It will only take 60 sec to record!

[Record a Video]

[Remind Me Later]

Screen 4 — Create Your Profile

Create Your Profile

Profile Strength

Name
_____

Work Experience Summary
_____

Education
_____

Language Skills
_____

Cross-Cultural Experience
_____

Listing Photo (optional)

Screen 5 — Finish Your Profile

Finish Your Profile

Where Do You Want to Serve? ⓘ
_____

What type of work do you want to do? ⓘ
_____

What language do you want to use? ⓘ
_____

When do you want to learn?
Earliest?   Latest?
_____   _____

Add: ⓪ Self-assessment Questionnaire
ⓑ About the Peace Corps
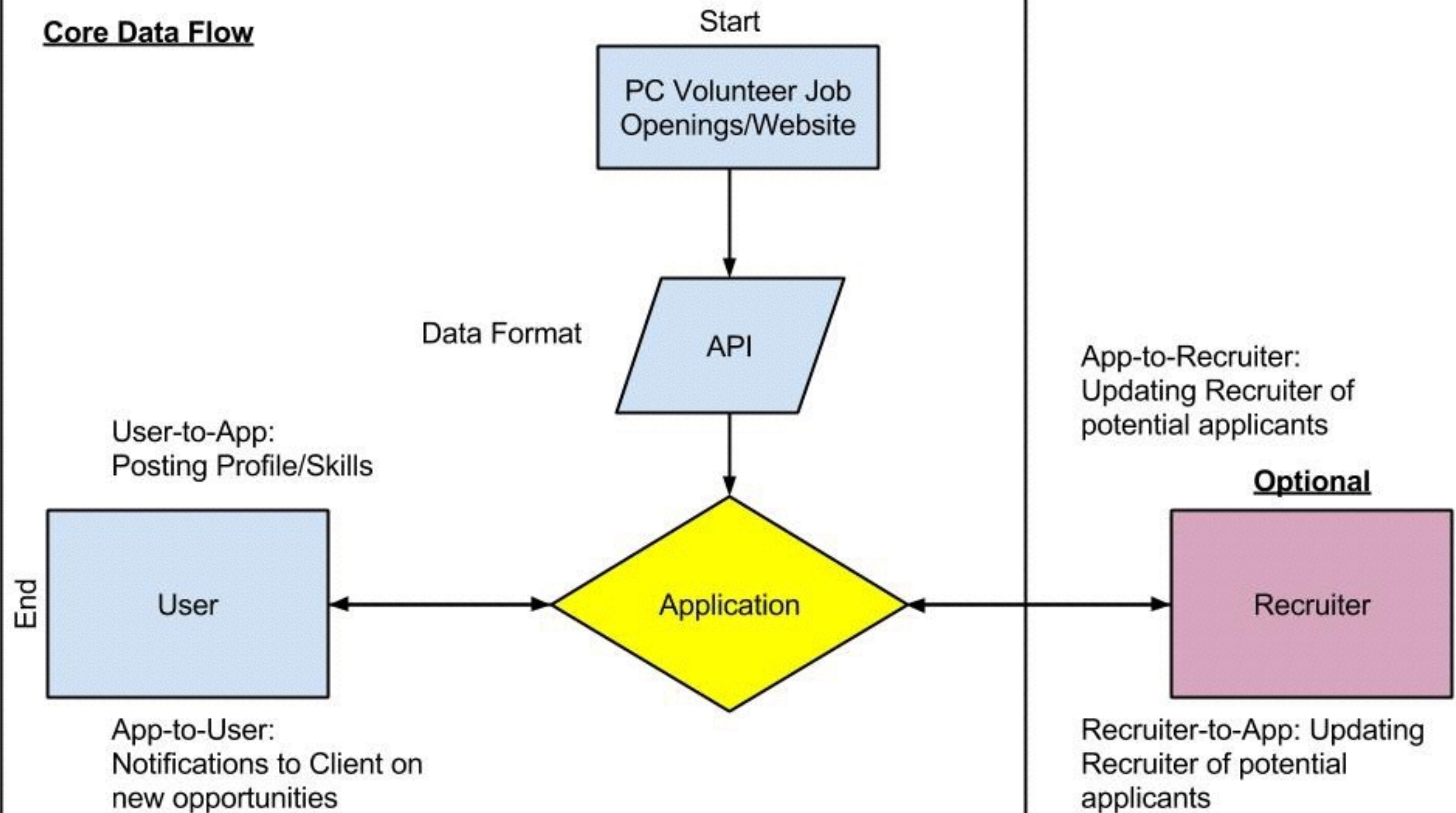ⓒ Service Match Questionnaire
   What type of country do you want to serve?
   - warm climate
   - cold climate
   - doesn't matter

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            those affected and infected. All Volunteers will be directly involved with HIV prevention and
            including women, youth, PLHIVs (People Living with HIV) and/or OVCs (Orphans and Vulnerable C
            prevention approach addressing the behavioral, social, economic and structural drivers of the
            to enhance community level needs assessment and planning, as well as programmatic coordinatio
            interventions and programs with targeted populations, including promoting linkages between co
            community based assessments to understand the local epidemic, and identifying local counterpa
            vulnerability and impact, including interventions to improve access to HIV prevention, care,
            gender based violence, and alcohol and substance abuse. In addition, the project includes pro
            improving incomes and economic sufficiency among vulnerable populations. Most Volunteers will
            faith-based organizations at a rural level; some may be posted with local government municipa
            required_skills: "Competitive candidates will meet or exceed the following criteria: • MA/MS
            Service Administration or Biostatistics); or • Certified Physician's Assistant with interest
            Health, Nursing or dietetics; or • Public Health Nurse.",
            desired_skills: "The project focus is on HIV prevention and mitigation including addressing t
            young women and girls, gender based violence, unemployment/poverty, stigma and discrimination
            mobilization and/or outreach campaign experience •Knowledge and experience working in the fie
            health and/or youth development, women's health and/or gender based violence, alcohol/substan
            in community health, health education, social work, public health, youth development or commu
            as designing, planning, implementing and evaluating trainings or programs; coordinating or im
            or interventions •One or more years of hands-on training facilitation experience and skills •
            coordination, teaching/mentoring and/or counseling •Grant and report writing skills •Demonstr
            •Skills in materials and resource development and design •Flexibility and adaptability •Good
            people •Skills working with vulnerable populations including women, youth and children •Confl
            •Post strongly prefers Volunteers for this project to have community service experience in th
            language_skills: "none",
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            language is an integral part of the Volunteers' success, and provides a deeper and more rewar
            volunteers_requested: 7,
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Core Data Flow

Start

PC Volunteer Job Openings/Website

Data Format

API

User-to-App:
Posting Profile/Skills

End

User

App-to-User:
Notifications to Client on
new opportunities

Application

App-to-Recruiter:
Updating Recruiter of
potential applicants

Optional

Recruiter

Recruiter-to-App: Updating
Recruiter of potential
applicants

Togo

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Apply by **March 7** to leave by **June 23.**

THIS ISN'T MY CALLING

PEACE CORPS

TAKE THE FIRST STEP

☰   **Match**

Togo

apply by	know by	depart on
March 7	**April 14**	**June 23**

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why you should care

Built with open tools, this could be scaled to other organizations and inputs that want to connect opportunities with volunteer assistance.

how you can help

https://github.com/PeaceCorps/Volunteer-Openings-API