

Peace Corps Director Ronald A. Tschetter



Ronald A. Tschetter is the 17th director of the Peace Corps. He was nominated by President George W. Bush and unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate on September 13, 2006. Mr. Tschetter is the third director in the Peace Corps' history to have served as a Peace Corps Volunteer.

Mr. Tschetter and his wife, Nancy, were Peace Corps Volunteers in India from 1966-1968, where they served as community health workers. Improving the lives of others has been a life-long passion of Mr. Tschetter.

After returning home from India, Mr. Tschetter worked in the financial securities industry for over 30 years, gaining strong management and leadership skills throughout his distinguished career.

Before becoming Peace Corps Director, Mr. Tschetter was the President of D.A. Davidson & Co., headquartered in Montana and the largest full-service investment firm in the Northwest, a position he held for two and a half years. Prior to D.A. Davidson & Co., he served as President of the Private Client Group for Dain Rauscher, a position he held for 10 years until his retirement in 2001. Mr. Tschetter began his career in 1970 with Blyth Eastman Dillon Union Securities and joined Dain Rauscher in 1973.

Mr. Tschetter is an active public servant and has received numerous awards for leadership and community service. He has served on the Securities Industry Association Sales and Marketing Committee and on the New York Stock Exchange Regional Firms Advisory Committee. He was an active member of the Board of Directors of Family Hope Services, a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to bring hope to hurting youth and their families leading to life transformation, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota-based Courage Center, a nonprofit rehabilitation and resource center for people with disabilities.

Mr. Tschetter is a former Chairman of the Board of the National Peace Corps Association. He has also served as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bethel College and Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota; Chairman of the Board of Daystar U.S. , a member of the Board of Directors of Daystar University of Nairobi, Kenya; and Director of the Community Bank of Plymouth, Minnesota.

Mr. Tschetter holds a bachelor's degree in psychology and social studies from Bethel University. He and Nancy have two grown sons and three grandchildren.