Update from NCL Member Paul Jurmo

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So far in 2020, I've been . . .

- Writing (and co-writing) several articles related to adult basic skills policy and work-related adult basic skills development;
- Chairing the Labor and Workforce Development Issues Group of the Open Door Collective. (Visit http://www.opendoorcollective.org/workforce-basic-skills-resources.html for examples of the Group’s publications);
- Participating in research committees of the Open Door Collective and Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy;
- Developing and seeking partners for (with David Rosen) a “Remote But Personal” distance learning project that would provide instruction and other supports for adult learners during this Covid-19 quarantine and afterward;
- Preparing funding proposals for several basic skills education organizations;
- Providing technical assistance to an international development organization;
- Doing an inventory of my extensive collection of adult basic education resource materials for donation to interested institutions;
- Participating in on-line discussions related to adult basic skills development;
- Providing workforce needs assessment support for a distance education project for warehouse workers being launched by a national organization;
- Compiling artifacts, stories, photographs, and other resources for the new Museum of the Peace Corps Experience in Washington, DC;
- Participating in advocacy activities on behalf of recently Returned Peace Corps Volunteers and for the Peace Corps agency.

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