The Great Lakes Consortium for International Training & Development facilitates professional, cultural and educational exchanges between the U.S. and the world. Located in northwest Ohio and administered by Great Lakes Community Action Partnership, we have operated programs in central and eastern Europe, sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East, and south Asia to build connections between the international community and the U.S.

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Sharing cultures
Since 1999, the Great Lakes Consortium for International Training & Development has supported international and cross-cultural programming between the U.S. and other nations. Currently, the consortium is operating exchange programs with Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania and Slovakia.

In its 20-year history, the consortium has accomplished the following:
- Received 34 grants and leveraged $7.4 million in funds from the U.S. State Department and other funders for programs in 20 countries
- Brought 1,400 foreign participants to northwest Ohio with the help of 250 local host families
- Given professional and educational exchange opportunities to 1,000 Americans
- Collaborated with hundreds of volunteers and community partners in Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca and Wood counties
- Impacted thousands of American and world citizens through more than 650 multicultural public events

Become involved
We are always looking for volunteers and potential participants in our international programs. If you are interested in volunteering, being a host family, sharing ideas for program design, or making a donation, please contact the Great Lakes Consortium for International Training & Development for more information.