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After graduating from Middlesex, Ned went on to Yale, from which he graduated with a B.A. in History in 1969. He then joined the Peace Corps and has spent the majority of his life working in rural communities in Africa such as Cameroon, Somalia, Mauritania and Zaire. His work focused particularly on hydraulic construction such as dams, wells, dikes, canals and reservoirs. Ned received a Masters in Public Policy from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies in 1986. In 1993, he founded STeP Up, an NGO located in Sao Tome e Principe, a small country off the east coast of Central Africa. STeP Up works with grassroots organizations to develop and facilitate projects for community improvement. STeP Up has built health clinics and school libraries in Sao Tome, as well as coordinated an environmental research project with the California Academy of Sciences.

