



Deputy Chief of Party– South Sudan – USAID South Sudan Youth Empowerment Activity

Position Location: Juba, South Sudan

Project Name: South Sudan Youth Empowerment Activity

Anticipated Start Date: ASAP

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Project Description

The USAID South Sudan Youth Empowerment Activity supports South Sudanese youth and communities to develop, promote and strengthen the skills and assets of youth, and to create an enabling environment for the youth to be productive and positively contribute to their communities. The purpose of this activity is to support and empower at-risk out-of-school youth ages 15-29 gain the necessary skills they need to lead productive lives, gain employment, and positively contribute to their communities with following intended results:

- Improved youth access to functional literacy, numeracy, soft and life skills
- Increase youth entrepreneurial, employment, and vocational opportunities
- Increase behavior changes among youth to make positive adolescent reproductive health choices
- Improve social cohesion among youth and their communities

USAID/South Sudan also envisions that YEA will adapt and/or pilot a Youth Corps Service model as a modality to creatively achieve the activity's stated goal and integrated objectives. Unemployed South Sudanese youth who are graduates from high school and universities, and non-graduates of exceptional demonstrated ability, will be mobilized, trained, coached, and mentored to become Youth Corps Service members. They will deliver specific YEA-prescribed activities to disadvantaged targeted youth beneficiaries and their communities. The activity will help leverage youth for the youth's benefit, build a sense of belonging and solidarity, and help to promote peace.

The Activity is implemented through a consortium led by EDC and comprised of at least 7 national and international NGOs. It supports service delivery via over 100 community based organizations and entities.

Position Description

The Deputy Chief of Party (DCOP) is a South Sudanese national who works in tandem with the COP to lead the Activity. S/he is responsible for planning and then overseeing implementation, developing strategies and driving the refinement of approaches, working with technical specialists (in country and at home



office) to ensure adequate quality control of the program's technical interventions, and representing the program in high-level working groups, in donor, national stakeholder, and in other fora where the program's goals, aims, and investments must be developed. The DCOP supervises IYEA technical personnel and coordinates local and international partners technical work into an integrated workplan that achieves results and reaches targets. The DCOP ensures the timely submission of all required program deliverables and reports, working closely with the MEL, Finance/Operations and Management teams.

The DCOP reports directly to the COP.

The candidate for the position of Deputy Chief of Party shall be a South Sudanese national residing in South Sudan and have at a minimum the following qualifications:

Education:

Master's degree in Management, Education, Public Administration, or a related field, and/or a comparable number of years of professional experience

Skills and Experience:

- Minimum of 8 years of experience in education and/or youth development or similar programming;
- At least 3 years of relevant management, supervisory, or technical experience working with programs that are of a similar scope to this activity;
- Experience with USAID programs and knowledge of USAID rules and regulations desired;
- Strong leadership, planning, coordination, management, presentation, reporting, and communication (both oral and written) skills and the ability to implement projects with diverse subject matter;
- Demonstrated capacity to successfully lead multi-disciplinary teams to implement and advance program activities in alignment to the agreed upon workplan.
- Demonstrated experience of successful interactions, coordination and partnerships with a variety of partners and stakeholders (host government, US and international donors, youth, private sector, etc.) desired;
- Ability to perform at a high level and apply diplomacy skills with a wide range of stakeholders;
- Ability to drill down to the details of programming to ensure implementation plans are planned and executed to the highest quality standards
- Ability to identify and coordinate multiple experts and stakeholders to drive programming and achieve results- and then communicate achievements (and challenges).
- Demonstrated ability to work in an ambiguous and rapidly evolving environment, must be comfortable with constant change of local leadership / partners, and multiple, competing priorities;



Language:

Fluency in English required, as well as at least two languages spoken in the Activity's intervention zone.

Application Instructions:

Job closing date: October 5, 2023

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Listing "Deputy Chief of Party-USAID South Sudan-Youth Empowerment Activity-YEA"

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Due to the volume of applications submitted, only finalists will be notified.

No phone calls, please.

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