**ADVERTISEMENT: WASH OFFICER (TURKANA AND WAJIR)**

**ROLE PURPOSE**

The post holder(s) will be responsible for the design, implementation, follow up and evaluation of WASH infrastructure construction and rehabilitation in communities targeted by Save the Children in the region of Turkana and Wajir - KENYA Country Office. The post is specifically oriented towards the WASH emergency response in the context of the crisis HoA Drought Response, and special attention will be made ​​on the integration of the WASH sector in other core sector of Save the Children such as nutrition, food security, health, education and child protection.

**KEY AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY**

**Need Assessment**

* Be responsible for technical part of WASH needs assessments and participate in the selection of target communities and WASH facilities to be rehabilitated and / or build in the project, through technical feasibility studies, household level questionnaires, focal group discussions, visits to facilities and sites, and interview with key members of the community.

**Program design and implementation**

* Be responsible/ support for the design, establishment of work specifications and quotation, follow-up and evaluation of activities related to the construction of WASH infrastructures in public institutions and communities, such as:
  + Construction or rehabilitation of sanitation facilities (latrines, incinerator, refuse pit, sokage pit…).
  + Construction or rehabilitation of drinking water infrastructures (hand dug well wells, boreholes, pipe network, reservoir, drinking water treatment device).
  + Technical training of community volunteers, members of WASH committees, governmental staff
* Planning, organization and follow up of the community mobilization in target communities on issues related to of construction, operation and maintenance of WASH facilities.
* Be responsible to establish the technical aspect of the internal purchase order and tender documents for construction and rehabilitation of WASH facilities.
* Be responsible for the quality control of materials WASH bought by Save the Children and its subcontractors.
* Site management: general supervision of contractors and save the children staff under his management, ensuring the safety of construction sites and community participation.
* Validate the progress and quality of work of the contractors, and make the connection with the administration and logistics to ensure their payments.
* Design, implementation and organization of training for construction of small WASH facilities at household level (hand washing device, sand filter ...).
* Follow up logistics / budget management / site supervision in case of direct intervention of Save the Children for small scale works (rehabilitation of water points or latrines etc ...)
* Follow-up of activities of local partners of Save the Children (such as local NGOs or governmental agencies) in the field of WASH facilities construction, and participate in their capacity building.

**Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning**

* Verify that WASH infrastructure construction and rehabilitation works done by partners and contractor are carried out according to quality standards established by Save the Children through quality checklists
* Plan and be responsible for the weekly reporting of data in order to follow up the standard project and strategic indicators (number of beneficiaries, number and type of activities completed...)

**Reporting**

* Writing weekly report to line manager, and verbal reports whenever necessary.

**Integration, coordinations and transversal aspects**

* Ensure that construction works is integrated with hygiene promotion and community participation component, to ensure sustainability of the infrastructure built.
* Coordinate WASH construction activities with other sectors of Save the Children, in order to integrate activities in the same geographical area and for the same beneficiaries.
* Coordinate WASH construction activities with other local actors (governmental and non-governmental).
* Ensure the integration of gender, child protection, HIV, environment and other crosscutting issues to the design, implementation and development of WASH construction activities, and ensure that activities take into account the needs of specific groups and individuals, especially children, the elderly and disabled.

**Contract Duration: 6 months**

**Number of Vacancies: 2**

**Work Location:** Turkana and Wajir

**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

**Essential**

* A degree in Water Engineering or Sanitation
* Professional experience of 4 years minimum, including 2 years in the field of WASH infrastructure construction in humanitarian or development context.
* Solid and progressive management experience working in an emergency response contexts or fragile states
* Previous experience of managing and training WASH teams including technical staff
* Previous experience in managing integrated Health and WASH activities in a public health programme
* Previous experience of project management, implementing integrated Health and WASH projects within agreed timescales and budget limitations
* Experience of and commitment to working through systems of community participation and accountability in an emergency integrated Health and WASH context
* Knowledge of monitoring and evaluation
* Some experience of representation and ability to represent Save the Children effectively in external forums. Commitment to the aims and principles of Save the Children. In particular, a good understanding of the Save the Children’s mandate and child focus and an ability to ensure this continues to underpin our support
* Ability to write clear and well-argued assessment and project reports
* Excellent communication skills
* Strong influencing skills
* Politically and culturally sensitive with qualities of patience, tact and diplomacy
* A high level of written and spoken English
* The capacity and willingness to be extremely flexible and accommodating in difficult and sometimes insecure working circumstances.
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* Ability to speak and communicate in English/Kiswahili

**Desirable:**

* Previous experience in working with a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)
* Previous experience in addressing Cholera issues
* Knowledge of Save the Children systems and ways of working.
* Experience with working with subcontractors
* Local languages is an added advantage
* Direct experience in the geographical area of intervention of Save the Children

**THE ORGANIZATION**

We employ approximately 25,000 people across the globe and work on the ground in over 100 countries to help children affected by crises, or those that need better healthcare, education and child protection. We also campaign and advocate at the highest levels to realise the right of children and to ensure their voices are heard.

We are working towards three breakthroughs in how the world treats children by 2030:

* No child dies from preventable causes before their 5th birthday
* All children learn from a quality basic education and that,
* Violence against children is no longer tolerated

**HOW TO APPLY**

Please apply in English saving your CV and covering letter as a single document, including your salary expectations for this role. To see a full a job description, please visit our website at [www.savethechildren.net/jobs](http://www.savethechildren.net/jobs)

We need to keep children safe so our selection process reflects our commitment to the protection of children from abuse. Employment is subject to our Child protection standards including background checks and adherence to our Child Safeguarding Policy.

Save the Children is an equal opportunity employer and seeks to employ and assign the best-qualified talent.

Female Candidates are encouraged to apply.

**Disclaimer:**

**Save the Children International does not charge any kind of fee at whichever stage of the recruitment process, nor request for medical examination or records and does not act through recruitment agents whatsoever.**