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| **TITLE:**  Nutrition officer Local Food System  |
| **TEAM/PROGRAMME: Local Food System**  | **LOCATION:** Isiolo (1), Kakamega (1) Makueni (1) |
| **GRADE**: 4 | **CONTRACT LENGTH:** 1 year with possibility of extension |
| **CHILD SAFEGUARDING:** Level 3:  The role holder will have contact with children and/or young people *either* frequently (e.g. once a week or more) or intensively (e.g. four days in one month or more or overnight) because they work in country programs; or are visiting country programs; or because they are responsible for implementing the police checking/vetting process staff. |
| **ROLE PURPOSE::** The Nutrition Officer will be responsible for day-to-day implementation of nutrition intervention in the Local Food System programme. He/She will play a critical role in promoting the integration of nutrition into the market systems. |
| **Reports to: Nutrition** Technical Advisor**Staff reporting to this post:** None**Country Dimensions:**Save the Children has been operational in Kenya since 1950 and in Madagascar since 2016. As of 2024, Save the Children operates throughout Kenya & Madagascar with 10 field offices, approximately 450 staff, managing portfolio of USD 40million. In 2023, we directly reached more than 780,000 people through our humanitarian and longer-term development work in Health, Nutrition, Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH), Education, Food Security and Livelihoods (FSL), Child Protection and Child Rights Governance. The Country Office oversees more than 45 active awards totalling $40 million from a variety of governmental and institutional donors, including some of our largest donors such as USAID, ECHO, EU, LEGO, BHA, and FCDO.The Local Food System is a USAID funded grant that seeks to empower the local populations in nine counties to access and benefit from more profitable and diverse economic opportunities, foster better systems and resources that enable household (HH) and community resilience, and increase production and consumption of nutritious foods for diverse diets. The project is led by Technoserve and shall be implemented with several partners among Save the children in collaboration with the government line ministries. |
| **KEY AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY:****Programme Implementation*** Organize trainings for entrepreneurial smallholder farmers (SHFs), village-based advisors (VBAs), food, processors, micro-retailers, and CBOs
* Coordinate nutrition messaging to FTF actors.
* Provide technical support to private sector actors, MSEs and entrepreneurs to promote infant and young child feeding practices through community campaigns and other channels.
* Develop and implement market system strengthening training needs, assist in defining training needs, develop strategies to achieve targets and coordinate training activities.
* Coordinate and maintain strong partnerships with other actors in health and nutrition at county, sub-county and community levels.
* Promote integration of nutrition in the local food system, market system,
* Provide technical support to entrepreneurs, and micro-entrepreneurs to promote the production or purchase and consumption of diverse, nutritious foods by the communities using income earned from on- and off-farm activities
* Support the government to catalyze local production and consumption of nutritious foods by strengthening the supporting functions, policies, and rules that govern local food systems.

***Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability & Learning (MEAL)**** Work with the Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning (MEAL) team and other project staff in monitoring and evaluation of project activities including preparation of monitoring reports, documents and lessons learned.
* Share case studies, human-interest stories, documentaries and other related materials with MEAL Unit
* Carry out regular project monitoring visits and attend facility review meetings to provide support.
* Participate in milestone meetings for monitoring of the progress of the programme such as mid-term reviews, strategy meetings, previews and reviews and annual reviews.
* Ensure exchange and sharing of experience, lessons learnt, best practices and new methods to county officials, programme staff, other SCI partners as well as within the organization in collaboration with the health and nutrition teams.

**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE*** Degree in nutrition
* Minimum 3 years of relevant professional work experience in Nutrition Programming.
* Comprehensive understanding of the Market Systems, working with private sector and Micro and Small Medium Enterprises
* Effective working relationships with stakeholders from private sector, government agencies, international organisations, donors, academics and opinion-leaders.
* Experience in training and capacity building of Households, farmer organizations and microprocessors among others
* Strong leadership and interpersonal skills. Demonstrated ability to build and maintain relationships with a wide array of organizations
* Excellent written and oral communication skills.
* Good knowledge of the nutrition and health field.
* Good presentation and persuasion skills.
* Commitment to SCI Values.
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| **Additional job responsibilities**The duties and responsibilities as set out above are not exhaustive and the role holder may be required to carry out additional duties within reasonableness of their level of skills and experience. |
| **Equal Opportunities** The role holder is required to carry out the duties in accordance with the SCI Equal Opportunities and Diversity policies and procedures. |
| **Child Safeguarding:**We need to keep children safe so our selection process, which includes rigorous background checks, reflects our commitment to the protection of children from abuse. |
| **Health and Safety**The role holder is required to carry out the duties in accordance with SCI Health and Safety policies and procedures. |
| **JD written by:** CK  | **Date:** September 2024 |
| **JD agreed by:**  | **Date:**  |