

Nakalama Skilling Centre – Volunteer job description

Information about the Charity:

Based in the Iganga Municipality in South-eastern Uganda, the Nakalama Skilling Centres goals are to:

- Improve household food security and income by promoting adoption of sustainable agricultural practices and management of environmental resources.
- Improved access to clean and safe water, hygiene and sanitation services for the rural communities in Uganda.
- To contribute to increased community awareness and health literacy on accessibility, disease prevention and promotion of healthy lifestyles and productive population.
- To promote the recognition of the rights of people in conflict areas through mobilisation and strengthening of capacity of communities to prevent, prepare for and respond to conflict and emergency.
- To contribute towards rehabilitation of education infrastructure and skills development for resource constrained rural communities.

Information about the project:

A large proportion of young people in Uganda have received little or no formal schooling. Many of them are unemployed and unskilled. Information on the available opportunities on vocational skills and sexual and reproductive health and rights is not readily available to them. Over 78% of youths are estimated to leave their social and cultural environment seeking employment, which makes training and education even more difficult. This situation is also partly caused by wilful denial of information to youth and vulnerable groups by parents and other stakeholders that see them as a risky and unstable group. In a generation with a lack of access to such vital information means that they are further pushed into frustration, poverty, destitution and contraction of HIV and STIs. Access to key information on sexual and reproductive health (SRH) by the adolescent girls and young women and other vulnerable groups in Nakalama sub-county has been a serious issue.

Nakalama Skilling Centre is looking for two volunteers to contribute to a project to foster training and educational opportunities as well as disseminate information of sexual and reproductive health rights (SRHR), HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria to adolescent girls and young women in Nakalama sub-county (project beneficiaries). Some specific roles within the project the volunteers will carry out include:

- Child study in the community to identify the common challenges facing the children and young women of Uganda.
- Interact with the guardians of the beneficiaries to understand the core challenges affecting the children and their guardians.

- Participate in the resource mobilisation committee of the organisation.

The project will run from September 2023 to March 2024. The volunteers will be trained in the basics of the common languages used by the beneficiaries in the community, and other aspects depending on their choices of work. They will also have the opportunity to train staff in their skills. Besides organisation work these will be given time to travel to the source of river Nile, Murchison falls and many others. Please note that as these extra activities are recreational, expenses will not be covered by SAFAD.

Skills required/other:

- Leadership skills
- Community engagement
- Teaching experience
- Project management experience
- Sociable and able to adjust to and be sensitive towards different societies/cultures