

## **Senior Officer - Network, Partnerships and Programmes (maternity cover)**

### **Job Description**

#### **Job summary**

This exciting role is right at the heart of Consortium for Street Children. The postholder will have the opportunity to make a significant difference to the lives of many children living in street situations, collaborating with our unique global network of over 200 NGOs.

- **Reporting:** To the Director of Programmes for Network, Practice and Children's Participation
- **Working hours:** Part time 3.5 days per week (24.5 hours)
- **Salary:** £34,000 pro rata
- **Annual leave:** 25 days + 8 Bank Holidays pro rata to a total of 23 days
- **Pension:** Employer contribution of 5% of gross salary
- **Location:** Hybrid, with at least one day per week at CSC's office in St Margaret's House, London, E2 9PJ
- **Duration:** 1 year fixed term

#### **About Consortium for Street Children**

The [Consortium for Street Children](http://www.streetchildren.org) (CSC) is the only global organisation dedicated solely to achieving positive change for street children worldwide, working with 200+ members in 111 countries. With 30 years' experience and a global network, CSC has unparalleled knowledge and expertise on street children, their lives and the solutions to the problems they face. Together with its members and partners, CSC advocates for the rights of street children from the streets to the corridors of power. It works to transform children's lives on the streets through strengthening street social work practice, while also working with States and communities globally so that they meet their legal obligations to street-connected children as set out in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC).

For more information, visit [www.streetchildren.org](http://www.streetchildren.org).

#### **Purpose of role**

The Senior Officer – Network, Partnerships and Programmes plays a critical role as the initial contact point for CSC's global network of 200+ NGOs and delivery lead for our practice-based partnership programmes and Street Work training, working closely with a small but dynamic team in pursuit of CSC's vision and goals.

The postholder will contribute towards CSC's strategic goal to transform street-connected children's experience of the street, now, so that they are safer, with better access to services and a sense of belonging in their communities, by:

- Working with network partners to develop, evidence and model innovative & integrated rights-based approaches to supporting street-connected children and securing their rights
- Promoting and supporting skilled street work as the first, critical step in a rights-based approach to supporting street-connected children

## Specific Tasks and Responsibilities

### 1. Programme delivery

- As the delivery lead for CSC's practice-related partnership programmes, (including our Inclusive Education Programme), work closely with partners, working group members and other stakeholders to develop and deliver high quality programming which maximises learning and dissemination opportunities, engaging external stakeholders and learning partners where appropriate
- Manage and cultivate relationships with current programme funders, ensuring that high quality reports are submitted to deadlines
- Where required, support the delivery of other programme activities in partnership with network members
- Working with partners and CSC's finance manager, review and manage programme budgets
- Working with the Senior Legal and Advocacy Officer and with the oversight of the Directors of Programmes, implement processes for collecting and analysing monitoring data on partnership programmes and with the wider team to identify learning to inform CSC's future work.

### 2. Programme development

- Working with the Directors of Programmes, guided by CSC's strategy and building on our existing strong partnerships, develop programme plans and project concepts in advancement of CSC's goals
- Working with the Directors of Programmes, identify funding sources for partnership programme activities and contribute to the development of high-quality project proposals
- Support the further development and delivery of CSC's Street Work training offer, working closely with the Director of Programmes for Network, Practice and Children's Participation, including supporting proactive efforts to secure training contracts/funding and nurturing CSC's Global Trainer group.

### 3. Network development

- With the support of the staff team and Directors of Programmes, develop and implement CSC's network approach to achieve CSC's strategic goals
- Identify areas for collaboration with and between network members and facilitate shared learning, including via network-wide events, thematic working groups and geographic clusters within the wider network
- Be the first point of contact for reactive enquiries relating to the network and membership
- Be the 'holder' of network data, which will be jointly populated and maintained by the team
- Be a champion for shared learning and knowledge exchange between the network and CSC team, including via network surveys and online engagement events
- Work with the wider staff team and network to design and deliver CSC's annual International Day for Street Children campaign and activities.

### 4. Other

- As a member of CSC's Safeguarding Committee, contribute to the effective implementation of CSC's Safeguarding Policy and promote a safeguarding culture within the organisation
- Carry out any other duties within the scope, spirit and purpose of the job.
- Abide by all CSC Policies, Regulations and Procedures, including our Child Protection Policy and code of conduct

## Person specification

- Strong programme management skills developed in the international development or human rights sectors
- Experienced at partnership management and supporting partners to develop skills, address capacity gaps, and share learning
- Excellent relationship management skills with partners, donors or similar external-facing relationships
- An understanding of charity finances, budgeting processes and legislation
- Experience in a network facing or membership role preferred
- An understanding and curiosity about the key issues for street connected children and the organisations that support them
- An understanding of, and commitment to, children's rights
- Strong communicator, both written and verbal, with excellent written English skills

We are committed to having varied perspectives and welcoming all forms of diversity; we know that will bring power to our purpose and ensure our work has the impact we desire. As a result, we actively encourage a diverse range of candidates to apply for roles with CSC, ensuring our work reflects a range of different cultures, approaches, and thinking styles including but not limited to diversity in age, ethnicity, gender identity and sexual orientation, life experience, physical and mental ability.

## How to apply

To apply, please send your CV and a cover letter of no more than 2 A4 sides outlining how you meet the person specification and your earliest start date / current notice period to [recruitment@streetchildren.org](mailto:recruitment@streetchildren.org) by **5pm on 5<sup>th</sup> June**. We will be inviting suitable candidates for interview as applications are received, so we encourage you to apply as soon as possible.