



VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES WITH FH BURUNDI

COUNTRY / LOCATION

Eastern Burundi /Ruyigi and Cankuzo provinces

LENGTH OF INTERNSHIP

2 months

BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES

Summer 2010

INTERN JOB TITLE

Refugee/Returnee Reintegration Intern

CONTEXT & JOB DESCRIPTION

Food For the Hungry Burundi has been implementing a Returnee Reintegration project targeting former Burundi refugees repatriating from Western Tanzania where most of them had spent more than 10 years. The over 10 year brutal conflict in Burundi had a devastating impact on all aspects of life including the economic and social infrastructure, means of production and livelihoods, and even the social and human capital.

State capacity to address the needs of the returning refugees is very low and immense needs ranging from basic shelter, clean water, schools, food, and even farming land represent the picture that welcomes the refugees to a homeland that they had eagerly wished to come back too.

To address these needs, FH Burundi secured funding from the United States Bureau for Populations, refugees, and Migration (BPRM) to implement a multisectoral reintegration program for the returnees in the Eastern Burundi provinces of Ruyigi and Cankuzo. The program covers food security, education, and environmental restoration.

FH'S MISSION

Our mission is “to walk with churches, leaders and families in overcoming all forms of human poverty by living in healthy relationship with God and His creation.”

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The program is in its second year of funding, and as Burundi continues to successfully transition to sustainable peace, it is expected that programming will also move into a more development oriented therefore seeking more long term funding to address the more the needs of the returnees and host communities on a longer term scale.

The intern will be expected among other things:

Document impact and lessons learnt from the two phases implementation of the PRM funded project (35%)

- Review and analyze existing project reports (PRM1 and 2)
- Conduct interviews with beneficiaries, project staff, and partners to document lessons learnt and impact

- Conduct field visits to project sites
- Formulate way forward and recommendations for sustainable returnee reintegration programming in Burundi.

Resource Development (40%)

- Support program team in formulating concept papers
- Support the program team in writing project proposals (for the East) longer term development projects with a particular focus on food security, education, environmental protection, and child development.

Personal Development (25%)

- Meet with mentor/supervisor weekly to discuss progress
- Visit other FH projects/departments to understand program integration and other operational aspects in FH Burundi
- Write final internship report to be submitted to FH Burundi on a date to be agreed on with the Programs Manager

QUALIFICATIONS AND KEY REQUIREMENTS

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty/function satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skills, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Adherence to FH's values
- Ability to sit at a computer for 8 hours a day doing repetitive motions on a keyboard
- Ability to travel domestically
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Excellent proofreading skills
- Proficient in MS Office Suite
- Highly organized
- Able to multi-task

EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE

The intern must be enrolled in an undergraduate, or graduate, program at the time of this internship. A good understand of refugee/returnee reintegration issues and an interest in the great lakes region of Africa will be an added advantage.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Fluency in both French and English is required for this position.

FEES

We cannot pay volunteers. Expenses (transportation, accommodation, etc.) have to be paid by the interns.

INTERESTED?

Interested candidates should email a cover letter and a CV in English or French to: info@fhsuisse.org
For more information, please contact our office in Geneva.