



## Job Description

**POSITION TITLE:** Senior Program Coordinator  
**DEPARTMENT OR COUNTRY PROGRAM:** Somalia  
**RESPONSIBLE TO:** Country Director  
**STATUS:** Full-time  
**SUPERVISORY CAPACITY:** All Program, Grants and M&E staff  
**DATE:** June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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### DEPARTMENT/COUNTRY PROGRAM DESCRIPTION/MISSION

ARC International is an entrepreneurial humanitarian and development organization that assists displaced people to move from vulnerability to resilience, from impoverishment to a basic level of well-being, and from exclusion to inclusion.

The overall objective of ARC International's Somalia/Somaliland program is to broaden opportunities for disadvantaged communities in (particularly women and youth) to pursue a secure and sustainable livelihood; create an environment that enables social and economic re-integration of Somali youth into society through technical, vocational and leadership skills development that enables young people to secure gainful employment; sustainably rehabilitate through social transformation and economic empowerment; respond to recurring emergencies and help build resiliency of communities through strengthening of existing social services such as health and water facilities/structures and support creation of durable solutions for returnees to Somalia through a set of integrated activities aimed at socio-economic reintegration into their country and communities of origin.

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### PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE POSITION

The Senior Program Coordinator will play a leading role in ensuring overall program quality and impact, ensure that programs are contextually appropriate, monitored closely and funded sufficiently. The Senior Program Coordinator will be responsible for developing a coherent program strategy, strong program design through effective M&E systems and represent ARC in inter-agency meetings.

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### MAJOR AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY

#### PRIMARY DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

##### Program Strategy, Design and Development 50%

- Provide leadership to the development of an integrated program strategy.
- Promote excellence in programs through ongoing programmatic and strategic support for field-based program staff, including the development of M&E systems.
- Ensure programs are designed according to ARC and industry best practices and ARC program framework.
- Work with HQ technical leads in the development of relevant programming frameworks.
- Working in collaboration with the Country Director, proactively identify opportunities for new programming initiatives and funding to support them.

- Ensure that new proposals promote high quality programming by responding to identified needs, taking account of recognized best practices, minimum standards and lessons learned from earlier programs.

### **Program Management and Oversight 35 %**

- Working in collaboration with Program managers, ensure that program implementation is managed closely through the development of structured work plans, indicator tracking and monitoring plans.
- Support Program Managers to fulfill their budget-holder expectations. Ensure project expenditures are monitored and corrective action is initiated and tracked where required.
- Convene grant review meetings where program performance is reviewed and corrective action taken as needed, and promote program integration.
- Lead comprehensive program reviews including mid-term reviews, final evaluations, and assessments.
- Provide leadership to ensure timely and high-quality progress reports as per ARC and donor guidelines.
- Provide proper representation in cluster and other coordination forums at national and regional levels.
- Build capacity of program staff in the areas of program development.
- Set performance objectives with all supervisees, and conduct scheduled performance evaluations. Ensure that all supervisees also complete the performance management cycle with their own supervisees.

### **Representation and Inter-agency Coordination 15%**

Represent ARC in inter-agency coordination meetings, cluster meetings and NGO Consortium meetings.

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## **EDUCATION, TECHNICAL SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED**

- Minimum of 7 years' experience with humanitarian and development programs in complex emergency or post-conflict settings.
- Master's degree in a relevant field (International Development, program planning and management).
- Demonstrated experience in program development (both humanitarian and development programs), grant management, monitoring and evaluation, team building, and strategy setting.
- Experience working closely with and building the capacity of national program managers.
- Strong coordination and leadership skills with proven ability to work across multiple technical areas simultaneously, supporting multiple staff members.
- Experience working with donors (OFDA, USAID, UNHCR, BPRM, DIFD, CIDA, SIDA), international and national NGOs, and government agencies.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and representation experience.
- Fluency in written and spoken English.
- Strong report writing and documentation skills.

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## **KEY BEHAVIORS & ABILITIES**

- Willingness to work in multi-cultural setting.
- Willingness to travel to field sites and communities on a regular basis.
- Excellent interpersonal skills; ability to talk with high-level officials, as well as community members.

- Demonstrated experience and knowledge in participatory techniques and methodologies.
- Strong personal commitment to gender equality.
- Experience in supervising both expatriate and national staff and strong mentoring capacity.

Application letter and copies of academic qualifications should be sent to: [SMJobs@arcrelief.org](mailto:SMJobs@arcrelief.org) not later than June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018.

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