

JOB TITLE: **LIVELIHOOD OFFICER**
Location: Taraba
Report to: Programme Manager/Project Coordinators
Employment Type: Full-time
Contract Duration: One year (with possibility of extension)

Job Summary:

The Livelihood Officer will be responsible for designing, implementing, and monitoring livelihood programs aimed at enhancing economic opportunities, food security status and resilience for targeted refugees, internally displaced person (IDPs) and host communities. The role involves working closely with refugees, IDPs, community members, local and state authorities, and partner organizations to identify needs, develop capacity, and ensure sustainable livelihood solutions for refugees and affected host communities in Taraba.

Key Responsibilities:

- Develop and implement livelihood strategies and projects aligned with organizational goals and community needs.
- Conduct assessments and baseline surveys to identify the economic needs and resources of target communities.
- Conduct market assessment and baseline survey to identify the available market, price index, and viable agricultural products and value chain available in project location and its environs.
- Design income-generating activities, vocational training, and skills development programs.
- Provide technical support and capacity-building for community groups, cooperatives, and small-scale farmers and businesses.
- Collaborate with government ministries and MDAs, local authorities, NGOs, and other stakeholders to coordinate and enhance program delivery.
- Monitor and evaluate the progress of livelihood initiatives, ensuring objectives are met and programs are sustainable.

- Prepare reports, case studies, and documentation for internal and external stakeholders.
- Facilitate community engagement and participatory approaches in project design and implementation.
- Support the development of market linkages and value chain opportunities for community products and services.
- Provide capacity building training on agricultural crops and livestock farming, storage method, financial literacy, and financial inclusion.
- Manage project budgets and resources efficiently, ensuring accountability and transparency.
- Ensure adherence to organizational policies, donor requirements, and international best practices.

Qualifications and Experience:

- Bachelor's degree in Development Studies, Economics, Agriculture, Social Sciences, or a related field.
- Minimum of 3 years of experience in livelihood programming, economic development, or related areas.
- Proven experience in project design, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation.
- Strong understanding of participatory development approaches and community engagement.
- Excellent communication, facilitation, and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in diverse cultural settings.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Proficiency in MS Office and relevant project management and software tools.
- Knowledge of local languages, and M. Sc. is an added advantage.

Desirable Skills:

- Experience in agricultural livelihoods, microfinance, or vocational training.
- Knowledge of market systems development and value chain approaches.
- Familiarity with humanitarian and development programming.

Working Conditions:

- Field visits to project sites and community areas as required.
- Ability to work flexible hours, including weekends, when necessary.
- Regular monitoring of farming and livestock livelihoods and reporting.

Method of Application

A one-page application letter, addressed to the Executive Director of Rhema Care Integrated Development Centre, clearly providing evidence of competences required for the job and a comprehensive Curriculum Vitae indicating clearly your valid telephone numbers, e-mail address and current contact address should be sent by email to jobs@rhemacare.org.

The subject of your application should read the position you are applying for and your name e.g. Livelihood Officer – **Chinyere Odey**.

All applications must be received **by 5pm, Thursday 9th January, 2025**. All applications must be sent via e-mail to the address shown above. No surface mails or telephone calls will be entertained.

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted through phone for an interview –via online web conferencing. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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