The United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme is the UN organization that promotes volunteerism to support peace and development worldwide. Volunteerism can transform the pace and nature of development and it benefits both society at large and the individual volunteer. UNV contributes to peace and development by advocating for volunteerism globally, encouraging partners to integrate volunteerism into development programming, and mobilizing volunteers. In most cultures, volunteerism is deeply embedded in long-established, ancient traditions of sharing and support within the communities. In this context, UN Volunteers take part in various forms of volunteerism and play a role in development and peace together with co-workers, host agencies, and local communities. In all assignments, UN Volunteers promote volunteerism through their action and conduct. Engaging in volunteer activity can effectively and positively enrich their understanding of local and social realities, as well as create a bridge between themselves and the people in their host community. This will make the time they spend as UN Volunteers even more rewarding and productive.

### General Information

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### Living Conditions

Sudan is one of the largest countries in Africa, and as a result is very diverse. Living conditions therefore vary between duty stations. Darfur is the western-most region of Sudan. It is approximately the size of France and is divided into five federal states: Central Darfur, East Darfur, West Darfur, South Darfur, and North Darfur. The region’s main towns are El Fasher, Nyala, Geneina, and El Daein. The region has been in a state of humanitarian emergency since 2003. Muslim communities populate the western part of Sudan, and, similar to the northern part of the country, Sharia law is in force. This environment requires a mature level of cultural awareness.

Khartoum, Port Sudan, El Obeid, Gedaref, and Kosti areas of north Sudan are currently under UN Security Phase II (restricted movement); Darfur’s main cities of El Fasher, Zalingei, El Geneina, and El Daein are in Security Phase III (“relocation phase”: internationally-recruited staff are temporarily...
concentrated or relocated to specified sites/locations). The security situation within Darfur is unpredictable, though moderately calm in most areas. Risks to personnel are reduced by strict adherence to UN security guide-lines, instructions and mitigating measures. Crime rate, though not alarming, gives some cause for concern. It is mandatory for all personnel to receive a security briefing upon arrival.

The cost of living in Darfur is relatively high. However, the markets and shops are generally well stocked with local and common cereals, fruits and vegetables, meat, fish and other common food items. These markets are easily accessible. Local restaurants hardly serve well-known non-local recipes. Telecommunications are appreciably reliable in Darfur. There are three main international telecommunication companies in Darfur which provide mobile phone, internet and other telecom services.

Working environment: the incumbent will work primarily with the Head of Field Office El Daein under supervision of Field Officer and in collaboration with a number of international and local field / protection and technical staff. The incumbent should be extremely flexible and adaptable in both work and life situations. The environment in Darfur demands a staff member that is willing and able to assist in a wide variety of areas in order to achieve working objectives, improve living standards and enhance team spirit. The operation primarily deal with the South Sudanese Refugees living in 2 refugee camps and dispersed in 7 other settlement areas.

Living conditions: The incumbent should be comfortable residing in basic accommodation. UNHCR office is exploring to build UNHCR Guest House, even though, staff have the option to stay in WFP guest house or renting private accommodation. A limited selection of fresh vegetables and fruits is usually available in the local market, though there are several months during the year when some of these are unavailable. Tap water is not potable hence the need to drink bottled or boiled drinking water as alternatives.

Accessibility and quality of medical facilities: the medical facilities in Ed-Daein are offering a limited range of medical services.

Other useful information: El Daein is approximately one hour by air from Nyala and due to the current security situation in Darfur, all staff movement between El Daein and Nyala take place by air. El Daein is approx three (3) hours by air from Khartoum. Banking facilities exist and they also operate in foreign currency. Major banking facilities are only available in Khartoum. No credit card is accepted in El Daein. UNHAS provides air service to Khartoum and other field locations 3 days a week.

Assignment Details

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The Office of the UNHCR was established on 14 December 1950 by the UN General Assembly. The agency is mandated to lead and co-ordinate international action to protect refugees and resolve refugee problems worldwide. Its primary purpose is to safeguard the rights and well-being of refugees. It strives to ensure that everyone can exercise the right to seek asylum and find safe refuge in another State, with the option to return home voluntarily, integrate locally or to resettle in a third country (www.unhcr.org).

**Sustainable Development Goals**

10. Reduced Inequalities

**Task description**

Under the direct supervision of Head of Field Office / Field Officer, the UN Volunteer will undertake the following tasks:

- Coordinate and monitor health, food and nutrition programmes in East Darfur in order to ensure that minimum UNHCR and international standards are met including inter-sectoral coordination within UNHCR and with partners in all matters and programmes related to health, nutrition and food security;
- In collaboration with partners and local authorities, ensure adequate preparedness, early detection and effective response to health issues (prevention for any outbreaks, AWD etc.) resulting, inter alia, from nutritional matters;
- Oversee and regulate medical referral activities from the field to secondary and further to tertiary level, if needed;
- Monitor and evaluate state level nutrition and food security programmes against UNHCR and international standards and indicators including data analysis, interpretation and monitoring of programme impact;
- Coordinate, organize and conduct Standardized Expanded Nutrition Survey (SENS) in East Darfur and ensure quality control on data analysis and reporting;
- Work closely with WFP and represent UNHCR as JAM technical focal point for the annual planning in East-Darfur;
- Assess and build technical capacity of UNHCR and its partners including training and inclusion of nutrition and food security into cross cutting issues such as HIV, water/sanitation, livelihoods, domestic energy and cash programming;
- Collaborate & provide technical guidance to UNHCR and implementing partners in nutritional and health programmes and ensure harmonization and implementation of related policies and guidelines;
- Contribute to standard setting and monitoring of health, nutrition and food security programme and maintain a surveillance system through health and nutrition information systems in order to monitor refugee nutrition status and food security situation;
- Coordinate with UNICEF and partners to ensure adequate promotion and implementation of Infant and Young Child Feeding Practices;
- Prepare input for information, communication and advocacy on the Health and Nutrition situation of populations of concern to UNHCR among partners, donors, other agencies and the government, and provide information for funding submissions, appeals or reports;
- Review health partners partnership agreements in collaboration with programme unit in Khartoum.
Monitor the progress against the expected results and outcomes and assess partners progress reports with timely feedback for improving any identified needs and gaps;
- Identify risks associated with Population and Public Health services, seek solutions to address issues of common concern, review statistical data related to operations and use this information to address quality improvement opportunities.

Furthermore, UN Volunteers are required to:
- Strengthen their knowledge and understanding of the concept of volunteerism by reading relevant UNV and external publications and take active part in UNV activities (for instance in events that mark International Volunteer Day);
- Be acquainted with and build on traditional and/or local forms of volunteerism in the host country;
- Provide annual and end of assignment reports on UN Volunteer actions, results and opportunities using UNV’s Volunteer Reporting Application;
- Contribute articles/write-ups on field experiences and submit them for UNV publications/ websites, newsletters, press releases, etc.;
- Assist with the UNV Buddy Programme for newly-arrived UN Volunteers;
- Promote or advise local groups in the use of online volunteering, or encourage relevant local individuals and organizations to use the UNV Online Volunteering service whenever technically possible.

**Results/Expected Outputs**

After an initial induction period, she/he is expected to effectively manage his/her portfolio and to effectively contribute to the nutritional and health needs of refugees and other persons of concern;

- The development of capacity through coaching, mentoring and formal on-the-job training, when working with (including supervising) national staff or (non-) governmental counter-parts, including Implementing Partners (IPs);
- Age, Gender and Diversity (AGD) perspective is systematically applied, integrated and documented in all activities throughout the assignment;
- A final statement of achievements towards volunteerism for peace and development during the assignment, such as reporting on the number of volunteers mobilized, activities participated in and capacities developed.

**Qualifications/Requirements**

**Required Degree Level**

Master degree or equivalent

**Education - Additional Comments**

**Type of Degree:** Health Science and/or nutrition and post graduate degree in Public Health or Public Health Nutrition (MPH preferable).

**Required experience**

24 months

**Experience Remark**

**Years of work experience:** 4 years in the relevant field, preferably with added exposure in public health or epidemiology or health related fields.

**Computer skills:** Working knowledge of Word, Excel and basic data analysis skills (e.g. Stata, EpilInfo, SPSS)

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Language Skills
- English (Mandatory), Level - Fluent
- AND - Arabic (Mandatory), Level - Working Knowledge

Area of Expertise
- Public health Mandatory

Area of Expertise Requirement

Need Driving Licence: No

Competencies & Values
- Accountability
- Adaptability and Flexibility
- Commitment to Continuous Learning
- Integrity
- Planning and Organizing
- Professionalism
- Working in Teams

Conditions of Service and other information

Condition of Service
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Conditions of Service for International Specialist:

The contract lasts for the period indicated above with possibility of extensions subject to availability of funding, operational necessity and satisfactory performance. However, there is no expectation of renewal of the assignment.

A UN Volunteer receives a Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) which is composed of the Monthly Living Allowance (MLA) and a Family Allowance (FA) for those with dependents (maximum three).

The Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) is paid at the end of each month to cover housing, utilities, transportation, communications and other basic needs. The VLA can be computed by applying the Post-Adjustment Multiplier (PAM) to the VLA base rate of US$ 1,631. The VLA base rate is a global rate across the world, while the PAM is duty station/country-specific and fluctuates on a monthly basis according to the cost of living. This method ensures that international UN Volunteers have comparable purchasing power.
power at all duty stations irrespective of varying costs of living. The PAM is established by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) and is published at the beginning of every month on the ICSC website http://icsc.un.org.

For UN Volunteer entitlements, kindly refer to the link https://vmam.unv.org/calculator/entitlements

In non-family duty stations that belong to hardship categories D or E, as classified by the ICSC, international UN Volunteers receive a Well-Being Differential (WBD) on a monthly basis.

Furthermore, UN Volunteers are provided a settling-in-grant (SIG) at the start of the assignment (if the volunteer did not reside in the duty station for at least 6 months prior to taking up the assignment) and in the event of a permanent reassignment to another duty station.

UNV provides life, health, permanent disability insurances as well as assignment travel, annual leave, full integration in the UN security framework (including residential security reimbursements).

UN Volunteers are paid Daily Subsistence Allowance at the UN rate for official travels, flight tickets for periodic home visit and for the final repatriation travel (if applicable). Resettlement allowance is paid for satisfactory service at the end of the assignment.

UNV will provide, together with the offer of assignment, a copy of the Conditions of Service, including Code of conduct, to the successful candidate.

Supervision, induction and duty of care of UN Volunteers

UN Volunteers should be provided equal duty of care as extended to all host entity personnel. Host entity support to the UN Volunteer includes, but is not limited to:

- Introductory briefings about the organisation and office-related context including security, emergency procedures, good cultural practice and orientation to the local environment;

- Support with arrival administration including setting-up of bank accounts, residence permit applications and completion of other official processes as required by the host government or host entity;

- Structured guidance, mentoring and coaching by a supervisor including a clear workplan and performance appraisal;

- Access to office space, equipment, IT support and any other systems and tools required to complete the
objectives of the assignment including a host entity email address;

- Access to shared host entity corporate knowledge, training and learning;

- Inclusion of the volunteer in emergency procedures such as evacuations;

- Leave management;

- DSA for official travel, when applicable;

- All changes in the Description of Assignment occurring between recruitment and arrival or during the assignment need to be formalized with the United Nations Volunteer Programme.

Application Code SDNR000248-5173

Application procedure

* Not yet registered in the UNV Talent Pool?
Please first register your profile at [https://vmam.unv.org/candidate/signup](https://vmam.unv.org/candidate/signup). Important: After creating your account, complete all sections of your profile and submit it. Then go to ‘My Page’ at [https://vmam.unv.org/candidate/mypage](https://vmam.unv.org/candidate/mypage) and click on the ‘Special Calls’ hyperlink. Lastly, select the special call to which you would like to apply.

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Application deadline: 16 August 2019

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