

Communications Officer

Shelter and Settlements Alternative Uganda (SSA Uganda) Kampala, Uganda

About the Host Organization:

<u>Shelter and Settlements Alternative Uganda (SSA Uganda)</u> is a network organization established in 1999 comprising of civil society organizations, communities, individuals, and private sector stakeholders working together in the development of human settlements in Uganda. SSA supports grassroots communities to identify and better their housing situation. SSA's main purpose is collectively lobbying, advocacy and sharing information for better policies, programs and practices towards sustainable improvement of human settlements in Uganda. SSA's vision is a nation with decent, affordable and sustainable Human settlements for all.

Project Description:

SSA is implementing a five years' project called Women Spaces focused on ensuring Women's Equal Rights to Land, Housing and Livelihoods in Sub Saharan Africa. The Project will strategically contribute to Uganda's efforts to grapple with land tenure issues by developing and sharing best practices and regional experiences focused on gender equality. This initiative is being implemented in four peri-urban districts (Kamuli, Mityana, Kayunga, Wakiso - Entebbe) near Kampala. The project will raise awareness among local authorities, courts and police, elders, religious and customary leaders to promote positive action on women's rights to land, housing and livelihoods. This will be reinforced by building the capacity of community paralegals to support individuals, primarily women, experiencing land and housing rights violations. It will also support women's groups and communities to engage with Land Boards and Municipal Development Forums to negotiate land claims and advocate for access to land, resources and services. It will directly benefit 865 female headed households (3440 people) and indirectly benefit 2120 other households in the project areas (8480 people.) 680 people (50% women) from national government and local authorities, community-opinion leaders, CSOs, CBOs, and the private sector will be directly involved in workshops, training and other project activities. The Documentation and Monitoring Officer will help to ensure that the project maintains its strategic vision and outcomes by documenting the progress.

Job Description:

- Assist with documenting all project activities and progress (case stories, interviews, pictures, mini documentaries).
- To assist in designing project communication newsletters, magazines and different IEC materials
- Suggest strategies to the Project Management for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of communication and visibility of the project;
- To support staff to upload and update social media platforms and other communication channels
- To assist in the development of creative quarterly, annual and other reports about the project

Qualifications:

• University Degree preferably in Communications, Development studies, Social Work or related field.



- Strong working knowledge of issues related to poverty, gender, international development and/or human settlements.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English.
- Working knowledge in data collection, analysis and compilation.
- Strong working knowledge in documentation and effective communication.