



SAPLING Learning Corps Fellowship

Helen Keller International (HKI) was awarded an agreement to lead the Development Food Security Activity (DFSA) Sustainable Agriculture and Production Linked to Improved Nutrition Status, Resilience, and Gender Equity (SAPLING) by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) on September 30, 2015. Under this five-year program, HKI, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Caritas Bangladesh and three local implementing partners work in partnership with individuals, communities, traditional institutions and the Government of Bangladesh (GOB) through the Ministry of Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs (MOCHTA), to apply a multi-sectoral approach to increase food security in the sub-districts of Thanchi, Ruma, Lama, Rowangchari, and Bandarban Sadar, within the Bandarban District of the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT).

Learning Corps Fellowship

One of SAPLING's local capacity building initiatives is the Learning Corps Fellowship program. The Learning Corps is-

- A professional career development program founded on the principles of "on the job" training and mentoring
- The program has been designed to build local capacity by helping underemployed youth to develop relevant career skills, enabling them to professionally contribute to the sustainable development of the CHT
- Program participants will be youth from one of the five upazilas in which SAPLING operates
- After a thorough selection process, those nominated will be awarded fellowships to practice "learning by doing" within SAPLING and be known as "fellows"
- Learning Corps fellows will gain experience through on-the-job training in a specific areas, as well as be coached and mentored by experienced supervisors
- SAPLING Learning Corps fellowships are limited, and will be awarded for a duration of 12 months only, depending on the sector/ area of assignment.

Fellowship Domains

- Savings and Internal Lending Communities (SILC)
- Marketing and Value Chains
- Natural Resource Management
- Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition
- Livelihoods
- Disaster Risk Management
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Story Telling
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)
- Program Support

General Requirements

- Bandarban resident; aged 18 to 29.
- From one of the 5 Upazilas of Bandarban district in which SAPLING operates (Bandarban Sadar, Rowangchari, Thanchi, Ruma and Lama).
- Unemployed for last 3 months or more
- Basic computer skills, including ability to use MS Office applications, email and internet
- Ability to contribute in a multicultural, multi-ethnic environment
- Willingness to learn and gain experience as a member of a team
- Willingness to travel in remote areas of Bandarban
- Working knowledge of English
- Fluency in at least one of the ethnic languages spoken within Bandarban
- Enrolled in or graduated from an accredited academic institute / university; or have the appropriate level of education/experience to undertake the designated fellowship.
- Have the educational background relevant to one of the fellowship domains.

APPLICATIONS DUE BY: MAY 15, 2018

Interested eligible persons are requested to apply with a complete résumé (not more than 4 pages) and a cover letter stating how you meet the requirements for the fellowship and what motivates you to join the SAPLING Learning Corps Fellowship Program, telephone number and a copy of a recent passport size photograph. Applications should be sent to: The Head of HR at E-mail: Bangladesh-Recruitment@hki.org by May 15, 2018.

Note: Please mention title and preferred fellowship domain (if one) in the subject line. Only short-listed candidates will be called for interview.



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