

Foreign Service Limited Position Opportunity - Program Officer (Senior Nutrition Advisor) - FL-0343-02, Center For Nutrition, PD#40638

- **Agency:** U.S. Agency for International Development
- **Organization:** Bureau for Resilience and Food Security (RFS)
- **Location of Position:** Washington, D.C.
- **Open Period:** February 10 - March 3, 2021
- **Appointment Type:** This is an excepted service, time-limited appointment that is not-to-exceed five (5) years
- **Salary:** (USD) \$116,786 - (USD) \$171,504 (annually)
- **Number of Vacancies:** 2

Description of Organization: The positions are located in the Nutrition Technical Services Division and the Food Safety Division of the Center for Nutrition in USAID's Bureau for Resilience and Food Security (RFS). RFS partners to advance inclusive agriculture-led growth, resilience, nutrition, and access to water and sanitation to accelerate and protect progress on the Journey to Self-Reliance. RFS oversees four high-level, integrated efforts in support of this mission: (1) Feed the Future, guided by the *Global Food Security Strategy (GFSS)*, (2) the *USAID Multi-Sector Nutrition Strategy*, (3) the *U.S. Global Water Strategy*, and (4) efforts to increase resilience in areas of recurrent humanitarian crisis. To deliver on this work, RFS partners with other Federal Departments and Agencies, USAID Bureaus and Missions, universities, civil society, and other public- and private-sector actors. Overseeing annual Agency investments of over \$2 billion, RFS is dynamic, fast-paced, and at the forefront of the Agency.

The RFS Center for Nutrition (CN) leads the Agency's nutrition work. Through technical assistance, training, and curated learning products, the Center supports USAID Missions' programming, policy, and partnership work in nutrition-sensitive agriculture, nutritious food systems, and food safety. The Center manages global research and analysis investments to generate nutrition innovations and evidence for wide application. Through strategic engagement and partnership, the Center influences global nutrition investments and agendas.

Description of Position: The Senior Nutrition Advisor will undertake the following duties and responsibilities:

Technical Leadership and Guidance (50%)

The incumbent will provide thought leadership on nutrition-sensitive agriculture programming and research that promotes the achievement of objectives as outlined in the U.S. Government's Global Food Security Strategy and the USAID Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Strategy. The incumbent will keep up to date on current research and best practices, critical country and regional-level sector analyses and data and assist in project design and management. The incumbent will serve on RFS Country Support Teams, promoting cross-sectoral linkages and integration of cross-cutting issues through a nutrition and food safety lens. In addition, the Senior Nutrition Advisor will curate nutrition-sensitive evidence into learning products to support field programs in Feed the Future and nutrition priority countries and influence Agency policies, programs, and partnerships.

Project and Activity Management (35%)

The Senior Nutrition Advisor will provide high-level technical, analytical, and managerial support for all stages of program design and implementation. The incumbent will manage contracts, cooperative agreements and/or grants that build the evidence base for multi-sectoral nutrition and food safety and provide tools and resources to support multi-sectoral nutrition field programs. Program management duties include providing financial and administrative oversight of programs, and managing activity managers where appropriate.

Liaison Services and Relationship Management: (15%)

The Senior Nutrition Advisor will oversee key nutrition partnerships within the Agency and externally. The incumbent will cooperate, liaise, and serve as a key point of contact with persons and groups both inside and outside of USAID on issues related to multi-sectoral nutrition and food safety. The incumbent will coordinate project design and activities with other USAID Bureaus and Offices, USDA, other USG agencies, donors, and other key stakeholders. The incumbent will establish and develop working relationships with external organizations, implementing partners, and the private sector, as required.

Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- You must have one year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade level FS-3 of this position. Examples of specialized experience include: Providing advice and assistance to governments, international organizations, and to various public, nonprofit, and private agencies and organizations on matters relating to multi-sectoral nutrition and agriculture activities. Conducting studies and performing other analytical work related to the planning, development, organization, administration, evaluation, and delivery of multi-sectoral nutrition and agriculture programs. Designing, managing, evaluating, and/or implementing multi-sectoral nutrition and agriculture programs.
- Must be eligible to obtain and maintain a Secret-level security clearance.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Sectoral expertise in nutrition, public health, or agriculture.
- Advanced degree in nutrition, public health, biological sciences, agriculture, or related field.
- Demonstrated experience in designing, guiding, or implementing nutrition or agriculture programming in low and middle income countries.

Interested candidates should submit a:

- Resume/CV;
- A short written statement of interest

Please submit your application package to [RFSjobs@usaid.gov]. “FSL APPLICATION PACKAGE: Program Officer, FL-0343-02, RFS/Program Office, PD#40638” **Application submissions are required by 11:59 pm (EST), March 3, 2021. Packages not submitted by the deadline with the specified subject line—or incomplete packages—will not receive consideration.**

This notice may be used to fill additional vacancies, as the workforce needs of the Bureau may change.

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Any questions concerning this notice may be directed to:

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