

**Foreign Service Limited Position Opportunity - Program Officer, FL-0343-03  
(Country Support Officer), PD# 32378**

- **Agency:** U.S. Agency for International Development
- **Organization:** Bureau for Resilience and Food Security (RFS)
- **Location of Position:** Washington, DC
- **Open Period:** February 5th - February 26, 2021
- **Appointment Type:** This is an excepted service, time-limited appointment that is not-to-exceed five (5) years
- **Salary:** (USD) \$94,632 - \$138,970 (annually)
- **Number of Vacancies:** 2

**Description of Organization:** This position is located in the Country Support Office (CS) of USAID's Bureau for Resilience and Food Security (RFS). RFS's mission is to partner 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.

The Country Support Office (CS) supports regional and country strategic planning and program implementation for agriculture, resilience, nutrition, and water and sanitation. CS serves as the focal point for disseminating information between Washington and the field through leadership of Country Support Teams (CSTs) that facilitate demand-driven and timely support from across RFS, the rest of USAID and the Interagency to priority countries. The Office analyzes performance data, disseminates learning, and incorporates state-of-the-art approaches and innovations into country programs.

**Description of Position:**

**Strategic and Technical Guidance 60%**

1. Provides strategic guidance to USAID Missions in Africa on the implementation of RFS-supported strategies, initiatives and portfolios. Manages support to missions in Africa including virtual or in-country technical assistance, project design support, and central guidance. Maintains in-depth technical and programmatic knowledge of countries of responsibility. Prepares briefing materials and reports on issues and meetings related to assigned countries to senior leadership. Promotes learning and collaboration across USAID's regional and pillar bureaus. Coordinates whole-of government interagency cooperation by working with other government agencies (e.g. State Department, USDA, MCC, Peace Corps) to implement the most effective resilience and food security strategies in countries. Assists RFS in communicating the resilience and food security agenda and progress to stakeholders.

## **Liaison Services and Relationship Management 40%**

2. Travels to countries of responsibility at least once per year to monitor progress and problem solve with missions. In collaboration with other offices, supports the integration of agricultural-led growth, resilience, nutrition, weather security, sanitation and hygiene, and inclusive development in Mission programs. Works with the RFS Policy and Analysis Office to improve analytics support, enhance private sector engagement and scale-up private investment in RFS-supported countries.

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 FSL-04 of this position.
- Must be eligible to obtain and maintain a Secret-level security clearance.

### **Interested candidates should submit a:**

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

Please submit your application package to [RFSjobs@usaid.gov](mailto:RFSjobs@usaid.gov) . Please use the subject line “FSL APPLICATION PACKAGE: **Program Officer, FL-0343-03 (Country Support Officer), PD# 32378** Application submissions are required by 11:59 pm (EST), CLOSING DATE: February 26, 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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