

Coordinator – Advocacy

Location: [Asia & Pacific] [Sri Lanka]

Town/City: Colombo - 09

Category: Advocacy

Job Type: Fixed term, Full-time

World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. World Vision is dedicated to working with the world's most vulnerable people regardless of their religion, caste, gender or ethnicity. World Vision has been in Sri Lanka since 1977 and currently works through 34 development and relief programmes in 16 Districts across the country.

At World Vision we are passionate about children and committed to bringing fullness of life to the most vulnerable and disadvantaged. Every day for forty years, that is what our team at World Vision has been doing.

We are currently looking for dynamic & creative individuals to join us in our journey of caring.

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Job Profile

Under the guidance of the Advocacy Lead, he/she shares in the overall responsibility for the direction and coordination of the World Vision Lanka (WVL) National Office advocacy program and leads the policy influencing that the organization undertakes.

He/She will have the ability to coordinate the design and implementation of social accountability

and advocacy interventions and related capacity strengthening to achieve positive and lasting changes to fulfil children's rights.

Major Responsibilities

- Provide strategic support to lead the WVL Advocacy Strategy.
- Promote local level advocacy, including social accountability mechanisms in the field.
- Train Area Program staff and Community leaders on Citizen Voice Action (CVA) and Social Accountability.
- Build/maintain advocacy related external relationships and enhance collaborative relationships, with internal and external stakeholders.
- Provide support to the 'It Takes A Nation' Campaign coordination mechanism.
- Manage the advocacy budgets.

Required qualifications, experience & competencies

- A minimum of 5 years' advocacy related experience with experience in successfully leading the development and implementation of advocacy strategies.
- A degree in Development Studies, Social Science, Law, Public Policy or equivalent.
- Experience in influencing other civil society organisations, Government, donors, through representation, influence and advocacy.
- Experience of working with local partners and District Local Government, (e.g. Child Rights Governance, Health, Nutrition, Education,)

- Influencing, negotiation, coaching and communication skills.
- Strong analytical skills, and planning abilities.
- Availability and willingness to work extra hours during times of humanitarian responses.
- Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds and cultures.
- Excellent documentation skills.
- Experience of campaigning, local level lobbying.
- Excellent command of English and Sinhala or Tamil. Being trilingual will be an advantage.

The position requires ability and willingness to travel domestically and internationally up to 40 % of the time.

World Vision Lanka offers a competitive remuneration package based on individual competence and skills. If you meet the required criteria and wish to apply for this or any of the available vacancies, select the position you wish to apply for & submit your **on-line application** with your CV and details of three non-related referees on or before the given closing date.

Only short listed candidates will be notified.