VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

International Protection Officer
Multiple locations, South Sudan

Nonviolent Peaceforce (NP) is a dynamic, international non-governmental organization. We work to reduce violence and protect civilians in countries affected by violent conflict and its aftermath. NP implements programming through the deployment of civilian protection teams to the field.

South Sudan’s civil war is nearing its second anniversary. The war has forced 2.27 million people to flee their homes and resulted in the loss of thousands of lives. The people of South Sudan are facing a humanitarian emergency and are in the midst of a conflict that is often described first and foremost as a protection crisis - hundreds of thousands of people have been separated from their families and lost their homes, livelihoods and access to basic services like food, medical care and education.

NP is continuing to scale up to meet the growing needs. In South Sudan, NP has a mobile protection response team and 10 field teams providing emergency protection programme for communities affected by violent conflict. Programming is founded on unarmed civilian protection and is thematically focused on protection in displacement, child protection, gender based violence protection and inter-communal violence reduction.

We are looking for experienced protection officers to implement community-based violence reduction and prevention programming in various locations in South Sudan, in the context of an on-going civil conflict and extremely high levels of displacement. You will be a person with a genuine commitment to working at the community level, someone who is skilled at building trusting relationships in an extremely polarized political climate. You are someone who is not deterred by the complexity of conflict; you are able to analyze conflict dynamics; you are motivated and unendingly persistent in finding and implementing protection and prevention strategies. You will be responsible for working together with other international and national colleagues to directly implement the project and to participate in reporting and documentation. You are comfortable living and working in a remote, physically demanding environment, living full-time in a shared compound environment while enjoying a simple diet.

The successful candidate combines creativity, innovation and demonstrated knowledge of protection, conflict prevention and peacebuilding. S/he is experienced and skilled at converting protection, violence reduction and conflict analysis theory into practical, locally appropriate solutions that effectively increases safety and security of civilians affected by violent conflict. S/he has excellent interpersonal skills and flair for connecting and building trust with people from a wide variety of backgrounds. S/he is solutions focused, strategic and is driven by a keen interest and personal commitment to civilian protection.

For more information about NP and its work, as well as full details of the position and the application process, please go to NP’s website: www.nonviolentpeaceforce.org.

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications will be processed on a “rolling” basis. This is an urgent post - priority will be given to applicants who can deploy within one month of recruitment.

Send CV and Letter of Motivation to recruitnpss@nonviolentpeaceforce.org

Please include “International Protection Officer” in the subject line.