

# Job Opportunity Sauti Sasa National and Country Coordinator Amref/ Sauti Sasa Coordinator/2020-10

IDENTIFICATION	
JOB TITLE	Sauti Sasa National and County Coordinator
SUPERVISOR	Deputy Director, Advocacy Communications and Partnerships
DIRECTORATE/UNIT	Institute of Capacity Development
PROJECT	Y-ACT, Youth in Action
PERIOD	1 year
LOCATION	Nairobi

Amref Health Africa is the largest international health development organisation based in Africa. Working with and through African communities, health systems and governments, Amref Health Africa's vision is for lasting health change in Africa and is committed to improving the health of people in Africa by partnering with and empowering communities, and strengthening health systems. For more on Amref Health Africa please visit www.amref.org

## **Background**

<u>Y-ACT, Youth in Action</u> is an initiative of <u>Amref Health Africa</u> that advances capacity and action by youth to advocate for their gender and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) priorities to be reflected in government policies and actions.

In response to the high burden of teenage pregnancies in Kenya, Y-ACT in collaboration with stakeholders and youth serving organizations in Kenya launched a bold and disruptive youth-led campaign dubbed <u>Sauti Sasa</u> (Swahili phrase meaning have your voice now), in 2019, hinged on a multi-sectoral approach to address the root-causes of teen pregnancy. The campaign focus, with 5 calls to action is forthright - young people in Kenya are disrupting the status quo and taking a front seat in addressing issues affecting them by authentically having their voice heard.

The Sauti Sasa National and County Coordinator will lead the implementation of the national and county level advocacy activities. These include: high-level meetings with policy makers, dialogue and co-creation camps with youth and policy makers, coordination of awareness campaigns at national level, coordination of work-plan implementation at national, county and sub-county level (3 high burden counties), and managing the project's consultants. The position will also take lead in documenting and reporting results of the interventions.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

KEY AREA	Activity	
Sauti Sasa advocacy	• Spearhead dialogue with Sauti Sasa stakeholders at national and county	
strategy	level, including youth organizations and policy makers for co-creation of	
development and	advocacy asks and inclusion of youth voices in the national road-map to	
policy maker	end teenage pregnancies	
engagement at	• Lead the dissemination of the Youth Voices report with stakeholders in	
national and county	Kenya	

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level	Lead and coordinate strategic advocacy meetings for youth on ending teenage pregnancies with targeted policy makers including KEWOPA, the Senate & National Assembly Committees on Health and the National Council for Population and Development
Advocacy Campaigns on Ending Teenage Pregnancy	<ul> <li>Lead the collaboration with key influencers/celebrities and Hive (strategic partner) for sensitization on key campaign messages.</li> <li>Lead stakeholders in the planning of Sauti SRH Awareness Festival in Nairobi, Western and Coastal Regions including dissemination of communication materials related to ending teenage pregnancies</li> <li>Work with communications consultants in the production of a docu-film on teenage pregnancy in Kenya</li> <li>Work with the communications team in coordination media briefings on county action plans on teenage pregnancies in 3 counties</li> </ul>
County level coordination of Sauti Sasa action groups and work-plan implementation	<ul> <li>Lead co-creation and planning camps with Sauti Sasa Action groups in 3 high-burden counties, for the development of one-year county action plans/social contracts to end teenage pregnancies</li> <li>Monitor the implementation of county level action plans and coordinate review meetings with stakeholders at county level and sub-county level where required</li> </ul>
Administration and reporting	<ul> <li>Offer finance oversight to project work in collaboration with Project Administrative Officer</li> <li>Develop timely and accurate reports of field, county and national activities</li> </ul>

#### **Desired Qualifications**

## **Education and Knowledge**

- Undergraduate Degree in Social Sciences, Public Health or Public Policy related course.
- Experience working with youth initiatives and engaging national and county governments in SRHR, gender or youth programme activities in Kenya
- Cross sectoral knowledge and understanding of sexual and reproductive health with a specific focus on youth;
- Understanding of political contexts internally and externally.

#### Experience

- At least 3 years of demonstrated experience leading SRH advocacy work with policy makers at national and county level
- At least 3 years demonstrated experience facilitating advocacy strategy development and implementation with youth organizations at grassroots level.
- Experience working on gender equality and SRHR advocacy priorities.
- Strong and passionate commitment to advocacy in the Africa region with a specific focus on youth.

#### Qualified youth applicants (below age 35) are highly encouraged to apply

## Skills and competencies

- High degree of diplomacy
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

- Excellent stakeholder and government engagement skills
- Be hands-on in both managerial and operational tasks
- Ability to prioritise and multi-task
- Ability to exercise confidentiality, tact and discretion when dealing with diverse groups of people
- Tactical and Strategic
- Project management
- Problem solving and decision making skills
- Collaborative, coordination, planning and oversight skills

# **How to apply**

Interested? Submit a Cover letter in PDF expressing your interest and clearly outlining your qualifications for the position (Not exceeding 2 pages) and an updated CV in PDF (Not exceeding 3 pages) highlighting all relevant educational and employment experience. The subject line for your email MUST read: Amref/Sauti Sasa Coordinator/2020-10 to recruitment@amref.org Deadline for submission: - 19th October 2020. Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted