



## **CONSULTANCY NOTICE**

### **DETAILS OF THE ASSIGNMENT**

SOS Children's Villages Liberia wants a clear picture of the local context so that responses to Child Protection concerns are made in line with legal, social welfare and other considerations. A full analysis of the local context where SOS Children's Villages are conducting her interventions to identify important information such as age of consent and what laws exist for the protection of children, as well as which agencies have the responsibility for investigation of child abuse issues and meeting the protection and health needs of the child victim/survival. It is carried out as a desk-based research exercise or via staff discussions, but it is also important to make contact with key government ministries, agencies and individuals to ensure there is an effective, coordinated and child-friendly response when required as well as marking out the local child protection network(s) to fully understanding the local context to child abuse and how to mitigate identified risks. It should consider how to protect the identity of person(s) who raised the allegation, alleged victims, witnesses and other parties involved in Child Protection cases. Checks should be made with the local authorities responsible for investigating allegations of child abuse on how exactly the identities of the various parties can be protected and an assessment made of the extent to which these processes operate confidentially.

### **OBJECTIVE(S)**

1. List the legal, institutional, organizational and community-based child protection systems at national level and in the two locations (Juah Town, Monrovia) and their surroundings.
2. Identify formal and informal Child Protection actors or networks working bodies including child and youth led organizations at the national level in the two locations (Juah Town, Monrovia) and their surroundings.
3. Clarify the roles and responsibilities of each child protection actor at the national level in the two locations (Juah Town, Monrovia) and their surroundings.
4. Identify the risks related to Child Protection/Child Safeguarding for SOS Children's Villages Liberia in the two locations and surroundings.

### **QUALIFICATION/PROFILE OF THE CONSULTANT**

The consultant must have:

- Advanced university degree in Social Science (Sociology, Psychology, Anthropology, etc.), Economics/Statistics or other areas relevant for the assignment.
- At least 4 years of professional work on social development or Child Rights issues
- Proven experience in designing methodologies for research, writing short analytical papers on social issues, doing situation analysis or other types of research

- Ability to work in a team and good communications skills
- Good knowledge on the following: National legal instruments regarding Child Rights, Child protection, UNCRC, Children’s Law, National Child Protection Policy of Liberia, ACRWC, Guidelines on Alternative Care for Children, Family strengthening program and other thematic issues.
- Good knowledge about the child protection networks, players, stakeholders, and the provision of child protection services, local policies/guidelines, regulations, legislations and obstacles involved.
- Fluency in written English
- Knowledge of and experience in Liberia or West African context preferred

**KEY DELIVERABLES:**

The Consultant will deliver:

- A completely filled up pre-defined template (provided by SOS Children’s Villages Liberia) with all relevant information of the local context (the Mapping) to the National Director, SOS Children’s Villages Liberia, both hard and soft copies (tools to be supplied by SOS Liberia); and
- A full narrative report (record of all dates, names, contacts and discussions held with government ministries, agencies and individuals as part of the completion process).

Intermediate deliverables include:

- Detailed workplan developed and submitted to SOS Children’s Villages Liberia
- Methodology for primary data collection developed including questionnaires, sample size, selected fields/locations, etc.
- A power point presentation on main findings.

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Send all applications in a sealed envelope with your profile (CV) to:

The National Director,  
 SOS Children’s Villages Liberia  
 Old Matadi Estate,  
 1000 Monrovia, 10 Liberia

Application should include technical (methodology including the data collection tools structured from tools 1 and Tool 2) and financial bids.

If you apply as a firm, please send application along with profile of the lead Consultant and of the consultancy.

**CLOSING DATE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS:** Friday, May 29, 2019 close of day (COD).