



## **Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Civil Society Network (CSN) National Youth Coordinator Role Profile**

The Scaling Up Nutrition Civil Society Network (SUN CSN) is recruiting a new generation of National Youth Coordinators to build powerful movements of youth activists in their countries.

As a National Youth Coordinator, you would identify new and existing youth activists in your country and bring them together to form a united movement of young people advocating for the importance of nutrition at the local and national levels.

With your newly unified network of youth activists, you would work together to identify the biggest issues affecting access to good nutrition and agreeing joint strategies for tackling them.

### **Community-led change**

Children and young people at the grassroots level have a unique understanding of food insecurity and malnutrition affecting their communities. This also makes them best placed to lead any efforts to tackle these issues.

As a National Youth Coordinator, we want *you* to reach out to these young people and support them to become leaders within their communities and to collectively demand change from their local decision-makers.

Together with your network of youth activists, you will be supported to identify decision-makers and inspire them to listen to your demands and join your campaign to ensure access to food and nutrition for all communities.

### **Do *you* have what it takes?**

To be successful in this role you *do not* need to be an expert in nutrition or in political affairs. We will provide National Youth Coordinators with the necessary training and education to understand the challenges affecting access to nutrition today.

We are looking for young people aged 18-30 who believe in the power of communities and understand how to bring young people together to deliver change.

Here are some more specific qualities we are looking for in National Youth Coordinators:

- Proven enthusiasm and commitment to leading a group of young people to deliver change
- A demonstrable passion for human, youth, and child rights
- A proven commitment to ensuring access to good nutrition for all
- An ability to communicate with a wide range of audiences
- A commitment to listen to and include the voices of those who are often excluded
- Self-motivation and an ability to establish, and meet, your own deadlines
- A commitment to regularly sharing progress updates with your peers and with colleagues supporting you

We are committed to representing the widest range of young voices in our movement. For this reason, we strongly encourage applications from young people who:

- Have experience of being displaced (either internally or as refugees)
- Identify as indigenous or an ethnic minority within your country
- Have or are currently experiencing extreme poverty, food insecurity, or malnutrition
- Have not had access to further or higher education
- Live with disabilities
- Speak French or Spanish as a main language

At present, we are only able to accept applications from young people living in a country represented by a SUN CSN Civil Society Alliance. [Click here to see if this includes the country where you live.](#)

### **What you will get from this role**

This role is a fantastic opportunity for you to develop your skills as a movement-builder, community-organiser, and nutrition advocate. By joining the SUN Movement as a CSN National Youth Coordinator, you will be part of a world-renowned coalition of business, government, UN, and civil society, all united in the mission to end malnutrition for all. You will have the opportunity to connect and collaborate with these partners in your country and internationally.

If successful in your application, we will invite you to join us and other National Youth Coordinators from around the world in a face-to-face retreat. Here you will have the chance to connect with other inspiring young people and receive in-depth training to provide you with the skills and understanding you need to start building your national network of youth activists.

Once you get started with building your youth activist network, you will receive ongoing support from the SUN CSN team, our international partner organisations, and our network members in your country. We will all be ready to respond to any challenges or obstacles you might be facing, and work with you to overcome these.

Although this is a voluntary role, we will work to secure funding to cover your essential running costs as a National Youth Coordinator. These costs might include mobile data/WiFi access, travel costs within your country, or venue hire for local meetings.

### **Interested?**

If you like the sound of being a National Youth Coordinator, and you think you've got what it takes to build a powerful network of youth activists in your country, then we want to hear from you!

To apply, simply tell us why you think you would make a great National Youth Coordinator in your country and be sure to refer to the role qualities outlined above.

You can submit your application in any format you like, whether it's a written statement, a short video, or something else – we encourage you to be creative and let your personality shine through your application!

Submission guidelines:

- Written applications should be no longer than 500 words in length
- Audio/video recordings should be no longer than 3-minutes in duration
- You can submit your application in English, French, or Spanish

When you're ready to submit your application, follow [this link](#) to upload your file and share your contact details.

### **Application deadline**

This opportunity will be open until Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 at 23:59 GMT

However, we will be reviewing applications on an ongoing basis and encourage applicants to apply early to ensure the best chances of success.

Once your application has been reviewed, you may be invited to join the next round of the recruitment process, which will involve a video interview.

### **Questions?**

If you have any questions or concerns about this role and the submission process, please contact Sean Counihan, Advocacy and Youth Advisor at the SUN CSN, on [s.counihan@savethechildren.org.uk](mailto:s.counihan@savethechildren.org.uk) .