

JOB VACANCY: PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELLOR (Arusha)

Amani Centre for Street Children, a leading NGO headquartered in Moshi-Kilimanjaro with branches in Arusha and Singida, is on a mission to transform the lives of Tanzania's street children and children rescued from severe abuse. We provide a sanctuary for children to heal, grow, and learn, striving to reunite them with their families whenever possible. Our Arusha Safe House extends specialized care to girls (and young boys) from the region who have faced severe abuse, including domestic slavery, child marriages, trafficking, and sexual abuse. We also recently started a pilot programme for young teenage girls who are engaged in sex work.

We are in search of a dedicated Psychological Counsellor to join our Arushateam and make a profound difference in these children's lives.

Key Duties:

 Holistic Counseling: Spearhead a comprehensive counseling program, collaborating with the team, ensuring each child receives tailored professional support, addressing their unique traumas, behaviour challenges, and experiences.

- Life Skills and Sexual Health Programs: Design and execute tailored Life Skills and Sexual Health programs for children and youth, for all three groups of children.
- Group & Individual Sessions: Lead group counseling sessions at the Arusha Safe House and in the streets, and conduct regular individualized sessions for children facing severe emotional and behavioral challenges, devising strategies and follow-ups to foster positive change.
- Outreach Initiatives:Engage in street and slum outreach, connecting with children and youth in their environments, building trust, and offering immediate psychological support.
- Training & Development: Facilitate professional training on counseling techniques for the entire staff, ensuring a unified approach to child care.
- Collaboration: Work closely with other departments to ensure the holistic well-being of every child, addressing their educational, health, and emotional needs.

Essential Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Psychological Counseling, Child Psychology OR Bachelor's degree in Social Work or Sociology from accredited institutions, complemented by specialized training in Psychological Counseling or Child Psychology.
- Minimum 2-3 years of hands-on experience counseling children with intense emotional and behavioral challenges, both individually and in groups.

- Deep understanding of the challenges faced by street-connected children and youth, including girls engaged in sex work, and children rescued from severe abuse.
- Demonstrated expertise in Life Skills and Sexual Health education for children and youth.
- Proficiency in both Kiswahili and English.

Application Process:

- Updated CV with relevant certificates/diplomas attached.
- Contacts for 3 professional references (phone and email).
- A compelling letter in which you explain your suitability for the role.
- Your salary expectations (range).

Submit your application to **jobs@amanikids.org** addressed to the Human Resource Coordinator, Amani Centre for Street Children, P.O. Box 6515, Moshi, Kilimanjaro Tanzania. Deadline: 13 September 2023.

Note: Only candidates shortlisted for interviews will be contacted.