



# Corporate Support Officer Enabling Services

CLOSE DATE: 11:59pm, Tuesday 29 September 2020

# **Position Description**

Title: Corporate Support Officer

Classification: Band 2

**Department:** Enabling Services

Location: Canberra

**Position reports to:** Senior Manager, Risk and Compliance

Position Type: Fixed Term, Part time - 25 hours/week (0.66FTE), Parental

**Leave Cover** 

#### About CARE Australia

CARE is an international humanitarian aid organisation fighting global poverty, with a special focus on working with women and girls to bring lasting change to their communities. As a non-religious and non-political organisation, CARE works with communities to help overcome poverty by supporting development projects and providing emergency relief. We know that supporting women and girls is one of the most effective ways to create sustainable outcomes in poor communities. We depend on support from the Australian public to carry out our work.

CARE Australia (CA) is a member of the **CARE International confederation**. We strive for a world of hope, tolerance and social justice, where poverty has been overcome and people live in dignity and security.

For over 30 years, CA has earned an international reputation for our ability to respond quickly to emergency situations in many regions throughout the world. We are also renowned for our innovative, sustainable and effective long-term development projects. All our projects are designed to equip the people we support with skills and resources so they can take charge of their lives and work towards a better future.

CA is directly responsible for program design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, as well as management and contractual control of all projects. As a consequence, we have a high degree of accountability and transparency. CA is committed to protecting the rights of children in all areas we work.

## About the Department

The Enabling Services Department is responsible for the development of corporate policy and the delivery of professional services and advice to CARE Australia in relation to governance, compliance, human resources, financial management, business support and information technology. The Department plays a pivotal role in organisational change by collaborating with business units to plan and enable the delivery of desired organisational outcomes and the meeting of/or exceeding of agreed service delivery expectations.

#### About the Role

The Corporate Support Officer undertakes a range of administrative tasks to ensure the business support functions operate effectively with a focus on a high level of customer service



to internal and external clients. The Officer also supports risk and compliance including preparing corporate reporting, support on internal audits and compliance checks.

All CARE staff demonstrate a commitment to the prevention of sexual harassment, exploitation and abuse and to the protection of children in their work.

#### Key Responsibilities

- Under general direction, administer internal compliance checks.
- Under general direction, support data entry and compilation of corporate reporting on safeguards including safety and security, privacy and data protection, counterterrorism, child protection and protection from sexual harassment, exploitation and abuse.
- Administer travel-related tasks include both domestic and international travel as required.
- Provide general business support for Canberra office and Travel Desk as required
- Process, under supervision, general office administration tasks including archiving, building maintenance administration, and the ordering of office stationery and kitchen supplies within budget parameters.
- Provide administrative support Risk and Compliance team as required.
- Update business support procedures as required.

#### Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated skills in general office administration and the ability to contribute ideas to more effective ways to deliver tasks to meet ongoing operational needs.
- Demonstrated ability to be organised, efficient and self manage time to ensure urgent and important tasks are complete.
- Ability to shift data from multiple sources into an easily readable format.
- Demonstrated proficiency in G-Suite applications, excel and data visualisation tools
- Clear written and verbal communicator.
- Demonstrated positive, flexible attitude to working effectively in a small, diverse and busy team environment with minimal supervision.
- The ability to maintain effective working relationships with cross-functional teams including overseas-based teams.
- Some knowledge and understanding of travel administration including both domestic and international travel will be highly valued.

#### Approved by

Chief Operating Officer August 2020



# CARE Australia Terms and Conditions for Australian-based staff

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Total full-time equivalent annual remuneration package is as follows (all figures in Australian Dollars):

**Salary Package:** CARE Band 2 (\$50,000 - \$59,811)

**\$50,000** Base Salary

**\$4,750** 9.5% Superannuation

**\$54,750** Total Package

This is a part-time role, working 25 hours per week. The successful candidate will be paid a salary package calculated at 0.66 of the full-time equivalent (FTE) detailed above.

#### **Salary packaging**

We offer salary packaging options to all Australian-based employees.

Salary packaging can reduce your income tax by allowing you to pay for certain expenses with pre-tax dollars. You have the option to salary package your mortgage, rent, rates, loans, school fees and more.

This packaging arrangement means the base salary has a higher overall commercial value. To understand how this could impact on you, you may wish to seek independent financial advice. Full details will be given to short-listed candidates if requested.

<u>Employment details:</u> This part-time, fixed-term job is subject to three months' probation. All entitlements are set out in the CA Contract of Employment. Full employment conditions are set out in the CA Human Resource Policy Manual.

Working Hours: This role is part-time, 25 hours/week.

Please Note: CA's salary structure is based on eight bands and five salary points within each band. It is usual for people commencing with CA to be placed on Point One of the relevant band with further progression through the bands related to the ongoing performance appraisal process. The Salary Package listed in this document is Point One for the relevant salary band.

# Additional information and how to apply

### To apply:

Please review the Candidate Information Pack and complete the online application form linked to the relevant vacancy on our careers page (<a href="https://careaustralia.connxcareers.com">https://careaustralia.connxcareers.com</a>). Please ensure you attach your CV and cover letter at the bottom of our application form before clicking 'Apply Now'. After submitting your application you will receive an automatic confirmation of receipt.

Applications close: 11:59pm AEST, Tuesday 28 September 2020.

# Before submitting your application, please ensure you can answer 'yes' to the following:

- 1. Have you thoroughly reviewed the candidate information pack, including the terms and conditions for the role?
- 2. Have you completed the online application form?
- 3. Have you uploaded your cover letter and CV, including your response to the selection criteria and link to your portfolio?
- 4. Is your application succinct and informative?

#### Questions about the role?

Please contact Bronwyn <u>bronwyn.downes@care.org.au</u>, 6279 0237 from 15 September 2020 to 18 September 2020.

Please contact Beccy <u>rebecca.elias@care.org.au</u>, 6279 0258 from 21 September 2020 to 29 September 2020.

(please do **not** email applications to this address).

## Right to work in Australia for international applicants

CA is not in a position to sponsor entry to Australia. In applying for an Australian-based position you will be expected to already have a valid Australian work permit (permanent residency or applicable work visa). Information on Australian visas and working entitlements are available from the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs.

# Child Protection and Protection from Sexual Harassment, Exploitation and Abuse

We are committed to each other and to the protection of the people we serve. We do not tolerate sexual misconduct within or external to our organisation, and we embed child protection in all we do. Child protection and protection from sexual harassment, exploitation and abuse, are fundamental to our relationships, including employment, and our recruitment practices are designed to ensure we only recruit people who are suitable to work with other staff and the people we serve. As well as pre-employment checks including police checks and

background checks, we will use the recruitment and reference process to ensure potential new staff understand and are aligned with these expectations.

CA reserves the right to seek information from a job applicant's previous employer about the applicant's suitability for the role. Any allegations relating to sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, sexual harassment and/or child abuse, which may or may not have been proven against the applicant, will be relevant information.

By submitting an application, the job applicant confirms that s/he has no objection to CA requesting the information specified above.

To find out more, please contact the Manager Human Resources.

#### Gender, diversity and inclusion

CA respects and values diversity, and does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, age, disability, religion or politics. We are committed to embedding gender equality, diversity and inclusion throughout our organisational practices and in the programs we deliver. This commitment is reflected in all of our processes and policies, including recruitment and selection.

Our selection decisions embody transparency and fairness from the outset of a recruitment process through to the selection decision. This is demonstrated through advertising roles as broadly as possible and basing the selection of the successful applicant on merit. We endeavour to mitigate any potential bias in our selection committee shortlisting processes by ensuring all selection committees are gender balanced and independent.

To ensure all candidates can compete on an equal basis in the application and interview process, CA will provide reasonable accommodations for assistance where requested. If you have any requirements that need to be considered as part of your application process, please do not hesitate to let us know.

## The recruitment process and expected timeframes

CA appreciates the time and effort taken to apply for a position with us. Below is some information on how our recruitment processes generally work and expected timeframes:

- All vacant positions are advertised on our website;
- Unless otherwise stated, roles are advertised for a minimum of 2 weeks;
- We aim to complete the short-listing process within 2-4 weeks following the close date of applications;
- Selection committee interviews are held for a select number of candidates either face-to-face or via the telephone, ideally within a month following the application close date;
- Additional background checks may be required prior to interview such as Right to Work and Working Visas;
- Referee checking of the preferred candidates happens in the week following interviews. Referees will not be contacted without prior permission; and
- An Offer of Employment will ideally be made within a week of interviews.



# Tips on how to prepare your application

Your application is the first step towards a rewarding career with CA and our first impression of you. Therefore, it is important that you give yourself the strongest opportunity to succeed right from the beginning.

To improve your chances of selection we recommended that you:

- Thoroughly research CA, including our organisational goals, values, mission and vision;
- Carefully read the Position Description and ensure you understand the role you are applying for and that it is suited to your skills, experience and qualifications;
- Carefully read the Terms and Conditions and check whether you are eligible to apply, and that the salary and entitlements match your expectations; and
- If you wish to discuss the position, the selection process and the work environment, please phone the contact officer outlined in the candidate information pack.

To ensure your application is submitted correctly, please follow the online directions, complete all the necessary fields and provide all the relevant information. The steps are as follows:

- 1. Prepare your CV which clearly outlines your qualifications, contact details, career history, including your responsibilities and achievements in each of your roles, and any other relevant information.
- 2. An 'Apply Now' button can be found at the bottom of each vacancy announcement.
- 3. You will be prompted to upload your CV and cover letter to finalise your application before clicking 'Apply Now'. You will receive an automatic confirmation of receipt.

To ensure an informed assessment of your suitability and claims for the position is conducted it is recommended that you complete all parts in the application process.

## Tips on how to prepare a CV

Your CV is one of the most useful tools in demonstrating your suitability for a role. When preparing your CV it is important to remember the following:

- Keep it simple and succinct, we recommend approximately 2-4 pages;
- List your relevant work experience in chronological order, starting from your current or most recent role:
- Do not just outline each position and employer, be sure to include your responsibilities and achievements in each position;
- Ensure relevant personal information is provided such as your name, contact number, address and email address as well as any period where you might be uncontactable;
- List your qualifications and the institute from which you received them;
- List at least two professional referees, their current role, contact details and their relationship with you. Friends and associates are not suitable as referees;
- Explain any gaps in your career (travel, having a family etc);
- Outline any relevant volunteering experience;
- Do not use abbreviations, slang or jargon; and





# Why work for us?

CA is one of Australia's largest international aid and development agencies. By working for CA, you will make a direct contribution to the ongoing fight to address global poverty. As an organisation that pursues best practice in the work we do, we seek to support our staff through offering a comprehensive package of salary and benefits to complement and enhance your work with us.

Here is a brief list of some of the benefits available to CA staff. Note that outside of Australia, some benefits may vary from country to country to take into account local needs and differences.

#### Workplace diversity and flexibility

As part of our commitment to Gender Equity and Diversity, we recognise that our staff may need flexibility to manage their life outside of the office. At CA, we have a range of creative solutions that may be negotiated where possible, on a case-by-case basis, to help you balance work with life. Examples include alternative or reduced hours or job-sharing arrangements.

#### Performance management

Our performance management framework helps you work closely with your manager to plan, manage, review and give feedback about your performance throughout the year, leading to a salary review based on your continuous improvement. Teamwork is part of our culture and we provide training to our staff and managers in communication and decision-making skills to ensure we remain engaged with the work we do.

#### Leave entitlements

CA employees have access to standard annual and personal leave and additional leave in recognition of long service. We have paid parental leave, and for eligible staff on overseas postings we offer rest and rehabilitation leave and annual home leave in recognition of difficult working conditions.

#### Professional development

Our employees are amongst the best in their fields, and if an opportunity exists to help you continue to build your professional skills and prepare for future aspirations, our Professional Development opportunities will help you do just that. Ongoing staff who have been with us for longer than 12 months have the chance to apply for our Study Support scheme – helping you with reimbursements towards gaining a formal tertiary qualification.

## **Employee Assistance Program**

Our company-paid Employee Assistance Program provides support to our staff and their immediate family members through a free counselling service where any work or personal issues can be discussed confidentially.

Please note, this represents just a small selection of the benefits available to CA staff and does not constitute a legally binding document. Entitlements and other development opportunities are often subject to a qualifying period.

# **Privacy Policy**

Your privacy is important to CA. Please read this carefully as it describes how we handle your personal information.

CA is committed to protecting and securing the privacy and confidentiality of your personal information. If at any point you want to know more about our policy, or are worried about your own details, or have ideas on how we can improve our practices, please let us know via jobs@care.org.au.

Importantly, CA is bound by the *Privacy Act 1998* (Cth) and the privacy provisions of other applicable legislation. In particular, CA must adhere to the *Australian Privacy Principles* in relation to collecting, holding, using, disclosing, securing and allowing access to your personal information.

We may revise this privacy policy from time to time by publishing a revised version on our website. That revised version takes effect from the time it is published.

#### Collection of personal information

CA collects and uses personal information about you in relation to your application for employment or volunteer/intern engagements with CA.

Your information is collected from you at the time you complete your application for employment or volunteer/intern engagement through our recruitment system. From time to time we may obtain personal information from third parties such as referee reports. When we do so, we will take reasonable steps to ensure that we make you aware of the collection of your information in accordance with Australian privacy law.

'Personal information' simply put is any information or opinion that can identify or be used to identify you.

During our recruitment process, CA may conduct some or all of the following preemployment screening checks:

- Confirmation of qualification/education levels;
- Confirmation of previous employment;
- Criminal history/background checks;
- Health check; and
- Reference checks.

#### Why does CA collect this information?

- To determine your suitability for employment or volunteer/intern engagement.
- So we can complete all necessary steps in preparing you for your employment or volunteer/intern engagement should you be successful.
- So we can contact you about your current application or future employment or volunteer/intern opportunity.



## Disclosure of personal information

The information you provide us with will be disclosed to the CA HR Branch and selection committee members directly involved with the recruitment process.

## How CA stores your personal information

Your information will be stored by our e-recruitment provider in the cloud on services located in Australia. We require this third party provider, through our agreements with them, to comply with our security guidelines and privacy laws.

### Access to personal information outside Australia

We are an international organisation with internal information sharing between our country offices. This means that it is possible your personal information may be shared with our offices based outside Australia if selection committee members are based overseas.