

Scope of Work

Please provide a description of the **CARE project** with which the position will work:

Sport, play and exercise are essential for the optimal growth, learning and development of children and youth—addressing physical, cognitive, emotional and social development. In addition to fulfilling an important developmental need, children and youth have a fundamental right to recreation and play, as enshrined in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. For children and youth whose lives are disrupted by natural disasters or conflicts, play is also an essential therapeutic activity that can help to reduce stress and establish normalcy. Though the benefits are well documented, there are no broadly accepted models for using sport and play as a psychosocial tool in emergency response programs and international humanitarian standards have yet to recognize the potential of sport and play interventions in their frameworks.

In order to address this gap, **Nike, CARE and Mercy Corps** have initiated a unique cross-sector partnership to support the Moving Forward project. Over a period of three years, the project will develop innovative field-based tools for using sport and play activities in emergency response programs. Both CARE and Mercy Corps will seek to incorporate these tools in their own emergency programming, while encouraging broader adoption by colleague agencies. This replicable methodology will contribute to the growing body of evidence of sport and play as effective tools to strengthen resiliency in post-emergency settings. All project tools and resources will be aligned with existing international standards and principles.

Project Description

The overall **project objective** is to develop field-based tools for using sport and play activities to help children and youth recover from emergencies. These activities will target emergency-affected children and youth, as well as coaches / instructors and the broader local community.

Over the life of the project, the Moving Forward partnership will deliver the following **outputs**:

- 1) Develop a toolkit for sport and play based humanitarian programs
- 2) Conduct learning workshops with emergency response staff
- 3) Design a sport and play kit for use in emergencies
- 4) Launch at least one pilot project to field-test the toolkit and sport and play kit (NB: One pilot is currently being conducted in Peru)
- 5) Share and promote project outputs with external audiences

No relocation expenses will be provided.
Position is based in Washington DC.

Please provide a description of the **study/special project** that you would like the position to implement:

The temp will be coordinating the Moving Forward project through completion. This will include: coordinating the final pilot project, aggregating information, liaising with partners and

- * organize the next steering committee meeting (CARE to host in Atlanta).
- * participate in regular conference calls with Mercy Corps & Nike and help finalize the MF toolkit.
- * continue to coordinate with CARE Austria
- * monitor progress of second pilot and incorporating learning from pilot into toolkit.
- * work with CARE Emergency Unit to incorporate learning into on-line training modules
- * produce final report
- * Coordinate presence at ICSPE conference
- * produce 1 short powerpoint presentation and 1 article for iCARE newsletter

Please describe the **deliverables** that you will expect the position to produce:

- Coordinate logistics for Afghanistan pilot (Aug)
- Receive final report from Afghanistan pilot (by end Aug/08)
- Attend regular MF working group meetings (ongoing)
- Aggregate final MF report (end Aug)
- Host Steering Committee meeting @ CARE (early Sept)
- Incorporate module into CARE Emergency Curriculum
- 1 update article for iCARE newsletter
- 1 short powerpoint presentation

Suggested duration (weeks or months) of the temp assignment: 4-5 months

Suggested dates for when the temp can implement the study (most students prefer May – August): July 10- Oct 31, 2008

Computer Skills

Proficiency	Low	Medium	High
MS Word			
MS Excel			
MS Access			
MS Power Point			
Other:			
Other:			
Other:			

Desired Education

BA required (focus in psychology, youth trauma, youth)

Desired Technical Skills

Experience in psychosocial/trauma and working with youth

Understanding of sport for development

Understanding of emergency relief programs

Experience with international teams

Good writing skills