

Citizen Security & Violence Prevention Advisor, LACLEARN

Scope of Work / Job Description

Project: The Latin America and Caribbean Learning and Rapid Response (LACLEARN)

Reports To: LACLEARN Task Order Manager

Level of Effort: Part or Full Time, Minimum 50%

Background: Development Professionals Inc. (DPI) brings a global perspective tailored to the individual countries and needs to improve democracy and governance and empower citizens to exercise their rights. DPI is seeking a full time or part time Citizen Security / Violence Prevention Advisor to serve as a key personnel on the LACLEARN Task Order.

The Latin America and Caribbean Learning and Rapid Response (LACLEARN) is a task order managed by the Latin America and Caribbean Bureau's Office for Regional Sustainable Development (LAC/RSD) to help address this issue. A four-year activity under the USAID Analytical Services IV (ASIV), LACLEARN contributes to improving USAID's Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance (DRG) work in LAC, through two primary work streams:

1. Analytical Services: Strengthening sector learning and building evidence through gender-informed analytical research, assessments, studies and trainings that contribute to sector.
2. Rapid Response: Targeted short-term technical and analytical activities until mechanisms, can be mobilized.

Scope of Work: The Citizen Security/Violence Prevention Advisor will provide technical leadership on any analytical or transition response activities focused on citizen security or violence prevention related issues. Some themes in citizen security could include law enforcement, impunity, organized crime, transnational crime, gender-based violence, targeted violence against vulnerable populations, violence in migration, political violence, citizen security in crisis, political transitions, and other issues. This role can be part time (minimum 50%) or full time, depending on candidate interest and fit. Full time candidates must be willing to support other DPI initiatives including new business development.

Specific Tasks: The project will require a flexible worker as the needs shift between various activities. Below are some common activities:

Part & Full Time Candidates will:

- Serve as a country expert on a variety of DRG sectoral and related assessments or analysis teams
- Lead citizen security analytical research design, planning, oversight, and technical support in countries across the LAC region
- Support various DRG research designs with a citizen security / violence prevention lens

- Deliver / propose specific and actionable recommendations to stakeholders based on research performed
- Provide project management to activities as needed
- Review citizen security or DRG grant proposals from NGOs or CSOs for technical competence & effectiveness
- Perform desk research & writing reports on various topics related to citizen security
- Deploy to provide short term technical support USAID needs remotely or in person as needed for up to a few weeks at a time
- Traveling to countries in the LAC Region or the US up to 40% of the time
- Support recruitment of technical staff or supporting partner organization technical reviews
- Advise stakeholders; meet USAID and partner organizations, advise on technical issues, and perform client needs gathering & documentation
- Attend or complete meetings, coordination, and processes as needed; other tasks as needed

Full Time Candidates will also:

- Support new business development in citizen security and violence prevention
- Monitor new opportunities and establish competitive partnerships
- Research technical approaches and create project designs in line with call for proposal specifications; Lead or support the creation of proposal narratives and budgets
- Provide citizen security & violence prevention technical support to other relevant DPI projects as needed

Qualifications

- At least 8 years professional experience working on citizen security/violence prevention. It is preferred that at least five years of citizen security/violence prevention experience include working in Latin America
- A strong understanding of LAC Regional Issues and the nature of crime in LAC is strongly preferred
- Spanish language proficiency is strongly preferred. Excellent written and spoken English is a must. French/Haitian Creole proficiency a plus.
- Advanced degree in relevant subjects (MS, JD, PHD...) or other advanced degree plus ample experience in citizen security, violence prevention and legal systems.

- Experience in social science is strongly preferred; Substantial experience in academia or as an analyst, researcher, or related work that includes extensive analytic experience which equips him/her to conduct high quality and in-depth analysis is preferred.
- Ability to write in a concise and clear manner required.
- Ability to translate their findings into recommendations that are actionable required.
- Business development and project design experience is strongly preferred for full time candidates

Application:

Send a Cover Letter and Resume/CV to contact@developmentpi.com by March 18th, 2021. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.