

## Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS) VOLUNTEER PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION 2020 – 2027

Job Title	Community Animal Health Worker (CAHW) Trainer			
Country	Vietnam			
Partner Organization	Institute of Environmental Health and Sustainable Development (IEHSD)			
Placement location	Capital city Mid-sized town Rural town/village Various	X	Comments: The first 3 months of the placement will be remote, with the volunteer working with partner organization staff via email and online meeting platforms. The volunteer will then be mobilized in- country to lead community level trainings and provide one-on-one support to beneficiaries in rural areas of Thai Nguyen province in northern Vietnam.	
Duration (Months)	5 months (First 3 months remotely and last 2 months in-country)			
Start date	As soon as possible			
Pre-departure Training Date/s	VWB/VSF will provide training orientation.			
Eligibility requirements	Open to Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada only			
Language Requirements	Essential: English Desirable: Vietnamese Please mention if the volunteer will need to work with a local translator for some of their duties: All partner organization staff are proficient in English. However, the volunteer			
	will need to work through local interpreters during most of their interactions with IEHSD's project partners and beneficiaries in Thai Nguyen province.			
Academic Qualifications	Essential: Degree in Veterinary Medicine <u>Desirable:</u> Post graduate qualifications in Veterinary Medicine or related discipline			
Professional Background / Skills	<ul> <li>Essential:</li> <li>Experience in designing and conducting field-based trainings on veterinary medicine, animal husbandry, or related topics.</li> </ul>			



	<ul> <li>Experience producing training and other learning materials on complex concepts for smallholder farmers.</li> <li>Solid understanding of the principles and practices of the One Health approach.</li> <li>Effective cross-cultural communication skills, including the ability to adapt communications to different target audiences.</li> <li>Advanced computer skills and adept ability in the use of Microsoft Office.</li> <li>Commitment to the principles of volunteer cooperation and familiarity with participatory approaches to development, including the promotion of gender equality, good governance, and environmental sustainability.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Experience working in an educational or research environment.</li> <li>Previous experience working in Vietnam or other developing country.</li> </ul>		
Placement goal and objectives	Overall Goal:		
(preliminary)	The primary purpose of the Community Animal Health Worker (CAHW) Trainer is to support IEHSD and its local partners to design and implement VETS project activities aimed at promoting a One Health approach. These activities will focus on livestock production in target communities in Thai Nguyen province.		
	Objectives:		
	<ol> <li>Support the development of a curriculum, materials, and plan for the training of Community Animal Health Workers (CAHW) and deliver the training to CAHW within the target communities.</li> <li>Work in collaboration with Vietnamese One Health Advisor (Animal Health) with the training, and coaching and mentoring, of poultry farmers from the target communities in good agricultural practices following the One Health approach.</li> <li>Provide target technical assistance in form of organizational capacity building as requested and according to the needs of IESHD and its partners in Thai Nguyen province.</li> </ol>		
	All volunteers are also expected to promote gender equality, environmental sustainability and good governance within their placement responsibilities.		
Volunteer Terms and	Conditions		
	an commit to 21hr/week working remotely, VWB/VSF assists volunteers with nonth help cover expenses.		



When in-country, VWB/VSF covers most of the costs of being an overseas volunteer, including:

- Return airfare to placement country
- Visa/permit costs
- The cost of required vaccinations, anti-malarial medication, and overseas emergency travel health insurance
- A monthly living allowance (MLA) that will be paid into the volunteer's bank account in Canada. The MLA is designed to be sufficient to cover simple housing, basic food requirements, and other typical monthly living expenses.

## Fundraising

VWB/VSF encourages each volunteer to raise funds towards the organization's operations.

## About Veterinarians Without Borders

In the global south, more than 90 per cent of food animals are raised by subsistence farmers yet these small-scale livestock producers, the majority of whom are women, have very limited access to quality and affordable animal health services. Aside from the risks associated with the loss of valuable livestock who provide important protein and/or income for poor households, zoonotic diseases that can be passed from animals to humans offer a very real threat to human health on a wider scale.

Veterinarians without Borders/Vétérinaires sans frontières (VWB/VSF) works for, and with, communities in need to foster the health of animals, people and the environments that sustain us. VWB/VSF works nationally and internationally to train animal health workers, increase food security, and improve animal & public health. VWB/VSF provides overseas volunteer placements for veterinarians and other animal & public health professionals.

## About the Project: Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS)

Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS), funded through the Volunteer-Cooperation Program at Global Affairs Canada, will engage 190 volunteers to work with local partner organizations in Ghana, Kenya, Senegal, Lao PDR, Cambodia, and Vietnam. Volunteers will help create integrated animal health systems to increase the livelihoods and household nutrition of small-scale farmers.

The VETS program utilizes the skills of volunteers to build local partner capacity to support community members, primarily women, to reduce poverty. Through improved production of livestock and crops, volunteers help improve family income and nutrition. The VETS program is built around the One Health concept, which recognizes that the health of people, animals, and the natural environment are interconnected. This project promotes the production of more and better food and increased incomes from livestock, all the while promoting land rehabilitation and conservation for sustainable development.



Veterinarians Without Borders/Vétérinaires sans Frontière is an equal opportunity employer and values the diversity of our team. We are committed to inclusive and equitable employment practices and strive to create a workplace that supports diversity, equity, and inclusion. VWB/VSF Canada welcomes applications from all qualified candidates, including members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, women, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. Please let us know if you require an accommodation and we will work with you to ensure an equitable hiring process. Thank you for your interest in VWB/VSF Canada.

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