



Community Liaison Officer

VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK, RWANDA

Key Responsibilities

The role will provide dedicated onsite assistance - based at the Singita Volcanoes National Park, to ensure regular and effective local community liaison and engagement with stakeholders around Singita Volcanoes National Park including local community members, government officials, community leaders/representatives, NGOs and local organizations, funders, donors among other partners, support the development and implementation and co-hosting of key Community Outreach Programmes or Partnerships.

Areas of responsibility will include:

- Build and manage strong relationships with all relevant stakeholders as outlined above.
- Establish regular meetings, ongoing community liaison within a formalised communication structure with community representatives and local leaders.
- Effectively communicate the Singita Community Partnership strategies and programmes to both local communities, local partners, Singita staff and guests where applicable.
- Establish a Human-Wildlife Conflict Management Cooperative to represent Singita in the adjacent villages and identify and address any challenges related to human wildlife interaction and opportunities to support local community development in these villages as well as the broader Musanze district.
- Collect, assess, and report on information related to human wildlife conflict, security, and land management issues, and provide support for the biodiversity research and monitoring partnership with the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund research team, as required.

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- Support the development and implementation of local rural enterprise projects, support and co-host community outreach projects including Environmental awareness events with local schools, Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund research events, and Singita Community Culinary School cooking *classes*.
- Perform any other related tasks related to supporting community conservation and sustainable land management in the area, as requested by Line Manager or General Manager.
- Provide support to Sustainability/One Planet engagement activities with the staff at Singita Lodge.
- All roles at Singita may be required to perform other tasks as reasonably requested from time to time and as required by the business and/or operation. Singita fosters a culture of collaboration, and with this support of the multi-skilling of staff.

This position will report directly to the:

Singita Conservation and Community Programme Manager, with regular joint planning and coordination with the SVNP General Manager.

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Skills & Experience

- 3 - 5 years' experience with community engagement and community development projects/programmes, and a passion for community development, conservation, and sustainability.
- A degree or diploma in social or natural sciences or conservation and community development training or related fields, would be an added advantage.
- Good working knowledge of and a keen interest in the conservation of mountain gorillas and other national park animals in the region.
- Local knowledge of the socio-economic challenges in the region and structures available to engage and address them.
- Good project planning, time management and implementation skills.
- Fluency in Kinyarwanda and good proficiency in English (speaking and writing).
- Good interpersonal communication skills and ability to confidently manage conflict within the community.
- Good computer skills including MS Office (use of Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint).
- Reporting skills (written) with high attention to detail.
- Self-motivated, hardworking, result oriented, and able to work with minimum supervision.

Singita Values

- Personally, committed to establishing and nurturing positive relationships with diverse stakeholders.
- Flexible and respectful to others.
- Collaborative in your approach to working with others, willingness to learn and share with others.
- Rwandan national and willing to be based in Musanze, working regularly at Singita Lodge and around Musanze District.
- Valid Driver's license will be an added advantage.

Job application process will close on the 4th August 2023.

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