



**Volunteers Engaged in Gender Responsive Technical Solutions (VETS)
VOLUNTEER PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION 2020 - 2027**

Volunteer Position Title	Environment and M&E Specialist		
Country	Senegal		
Partner Organization	AVSF		
Placement location	Capital city		Comments: AVSF is located at the Departmental Service of Livestock and Animal Production of Linguère.
	Mid-sized town	X	
	Rural town/village		
	Various		
Duration (Months)	8 to 12 months		
Start date	As soon as possible		
Pre-departure Training Date/s	VWB/VSF will provide training orientation.		
Eligibility requirements	Open to Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents of Canada only.		
Language Requirements	<p><u>Essential:</u> French</p> <p><u>Desirable:</u> Pulaar Wolof</p> <p>Please mention if the volunteer will need to work with a local translator for some of their duties:</p> <p>The volunteer will have to work with a local translator when conducted specific duties. They will be supported by the other members of the project team.</p>		
Academic Qualifications	<p><u>Essential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced training/degree in environment, natural resource management, and/or environmental assessment Training in cartography and geographic information systems (GIS) and monitoring and evaluation <p><u>Desirable:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge of the ecological, economic, and social context of the Sahelian zones 		



<p>Professional Background / Skills</p>	<p><u>Essential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven ability to coordinate activities within an NGO or similar institution and in the field of environment, biodiversity, natural resource management, or environmental assessment • Mastery of mapping tools and geographic information systems • Strong analytical, synthesis and writing skills, as well as a strong adaptability to work in difficult local conditions • Knowledge in the implementation and monitoring of project monitoring and evaluation systems • Effective intercultural communication skills • Commitment to the principles of voluntary cooperation and familiarity with participatory approaches to development, including the promotion of gender equality, good governance, and environmental sustainability <p><u>Desirable:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work in the team and in the field • Ability to work under pressure • Experience and/or knowledge of landlocked rural areas • Previous international work/volunteer experience in Senegal or another developing country
<p>Placement goal and objectives (preliminary)</p>	<p>Overall Goal: Carry out the environmental assessment of AVSF's activities in the silvo-pastoral zone (Ferlo) with local communities and assess the monitoring and evaluation of the various projects carried out in the area.</p> <p><u>Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participate in the monitoring and evaluation of the environmental impact of reforestation and soil restoration actions carried out with pastoral units within the framework of the Great Green Wall 2. Ensure the monitoring and evaluation and capitalization of biodigester construction activities for households in Ferlo 3. Ensure the monitoring and evaluation and capitalization of projects carried out by AVSF in silvo-pastoral zone (Ferlo) <p>All volunteers must promote gender equality, environmental sustainability, and good governance as part of their missions</p>
<p>Volunteer Terms and Conditions</p>	
<p>VWB/VSF covers most of the costs of being an overseas volunteer, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

Apply now by sending your CV and cover letter to volunteer@vetswithoutborders.ca with "Environment and M&E Specialist– Your Name" in the subject line.