

Community Liaison Officer

Fixed Term Contract for 4 months

Roll-out of the National Solar Water Heater Programme

The Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (“DMRE”) and CEF (SOC) Ltd (“CEF”) are jointly implementing the National Solar Water Heater (NSWH) Programme: Social Component. Through this programme 87 000 solar geysers will be installed at the beneficiary households in the identified residential areas approved by the municipality. The NSWH Programme is currently being rolled out in 18 municipalities across the country. The DMRE has entered into Framework Agreements (FAs) with the respective participating municipalities. Installation is done on houses that are water reticulated and have suitable roof structures that can bear the weight and ensure safety of the solar geysers.

As part of the NSWH programme, the allocation of the solar geysers and their installation are fully subsidised and as such beneficiaries are not expected to pay or contribute financially in order to receive one. However, due to the limited allocation to the municipality only identified residential areas will be considered in this phase. The preparatory work on the programme in the designated installation areas is nearing completion and the roll out is about to commence in those communities.

In line with institutional arrangement for the municipality, CEF and DMRE have identified the need to have **Community Liaison Officer** during the implementation of the programme. The Community Liaison Officer will work closely with the entire NSWH Project Team comprised of officials from: CEF, DMRE and Department of Employment and Labour (DEL), Emthanjeni Municipality, the community/wards and appointed service providers to secure alignment of the all the stakeholders and smooth implementation of the roll out.

Compulsory Requirements

- Applicants must be residents of the beneficiary municipalities with relevant qualifications.



Qualifications and Experience

- Matric and ability to converse in English and additional local language(s) is a must.
- Tertiary qualification will be an advantage;
- Experience in executing social or grass root level development and community mobilization is a must;
- Capacity to mitigate and resolve conflicts;
- Good oral and written communication skills;
- Ability to communicate with the community and persons of all ages and diverse backgrounds;
- Ability to communicate with local political principals.

Responsibilities

- Assist the Emthanjeni Municipality / CEF/ DMRE/DEL/appointed Service Providers in conducting community awareness activities regarding the programme;
- Assist with analysing the socio-economic issues in the designated installation areas;
- Develop strategies and advise Emthanjeni Municipality / CEF / DMRE and DEL Project Team to ensure successful implementation of the NSWV Programme
- Support the Programme by gathering intelligence and facts that may impact the projects.
- Stakeholder management at community level.
- Liaising between Emthanjeni Municipality, CEF, DMRE, DEL and community and service providers.
- Highlight community issues, which have a potential to derail programme implementation.
- Mobilize community in support of the roll-out of the NSWV Programme;
- Assist the Emthanjeni Municipality, CEF and DMRE in highlighting hotspots in the community, and where necessary be the first call to address community concerns;
- Assist Emthanjeni Municipality in coordinating the community mobilisation meeting between the relevant stakeholders in line with all municipal processes and protocols.



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Desired Additional Skills/ Competencies

- Good Interpersonal skills
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Well-developed negotiation, persuasion and consultation skills
- Analytical skills

Please submit a detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV) and copies of your qualifications to mphos@cefgroup.co.za indicating the municipality you're applying for in your application e.g. CLO Emthanjeni.

Closing Date: 19 March 2021