



URGENT: Call for Resumes – USAID Opportunity 2.0 Program

Higher-level Education or Training Readiness Orientation (HERO) FACILITATORS

Education Development Center, Inc. (EDC) is requesting resumes from qualified consultants with experience or background in helping DepEd ALS learners and out-of-school youth (OSY) to proceed to higher-level formal education and training opportunities through the HERO program implemented by Opportunity 2.0 Program (O2).

EDC seeks to engage a total of twelve (12) Facilitators under a six-month contract for the following project sites: Quezon City – 3; Davao City – 2; Cebu City and Tagbilaran City – 1; Zamboanga City and Isabela City – 1, Cagayan de Oro City – 1; General Santos City and Cotabato City – 1; Valenzuela City – 1; Angeles City – 1; and Legazpi City – 1. The estimated level of effort for each Facilitator will be 120 days between May-October 2022.

Project Description

Opportunity 2.0 is a five-year project funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and implemented by EDC aims to strengthen second-chance education programs for vulnerable out-of-school youth in the Philippines. The Program collaborates and works with national and local systems supporting youth in order to provide 180,000 youth with the skills and opportunities to improve their education, employment, and livelihood outcomes.

Background

To achieve the vision of supporting Filipino out-of-school youth towards further education or training and support them to access second-chance education opportunities, USAID Opportunity 2.0 designed the Higher-level Education or Training Readiness Orientation, or HERO. HERO aims to orient youth to be prepared towards higher-level formal education, which includes Senior High School and higher-level Technical Vocational Education and Training, and guides learners on admission processes, funding mechanisms, course/discipline and counseling, and selection of academic institution. The ultimate goal of HERO is to ensure that DepEd ALS Learners and out-of-school youth are informed of their options towards pursuing further education and training opportunities, and thus helping address concerns relating to equitable education access.

Scope of Work

The **HERO Facilitators** through the guidance of EDC Higher Education team will perform the following tasks:

1. Coordinate with the O2 Higher Education Team and Youth Development Teams on the implementation of HERO for SHS and HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling;

2. Co-design implementation timelines for HERO for SHS and HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling in the Facilitator's designated site/s, in coordination with the O2 Higher Education Team;
3. Conduct HERO for SHS and HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling synchronous learning sessions with DepEd ALS Youth and other out-of-school youth, in coordination with the Youth Development Team;
4. Distribute HERO materials and supplies to the ALS Implementers and learners;
5. Use monitoring tools relevant to tracking completion and success rates for HERO for SHS and HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling;
6. Monitor the enrollment of learners to DepEd Senior High School or TESDA TVET courses, in coordination with the Youth Development Team;
7. Participate in regular meetings with USAID O2 Higher Education Team and Youth Development Teams;
8. Maintain good working relations with authorities;
9. Submit weekly, monthly progress reports and terminal report to O2 Higher Education Team; and
10. Assist on relevant tasks, as requested by the O2 Higher Education Team.

Anticipated Deliverables, Indicative Timetable and LOEs

Deliverables

The HERO Facilitator is expected to conduct HERO for SHS and HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling to **760 ALS Learners** for a specific site within May 2022-October 2022 (6 months)

Other Deliverables

- Profile of 760 ALS learners who finished the HERO SHS or HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling learning sessions
- Attendance sheets of ALS learners who underwent HERO for SHS or HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling learning sessions
- Distribution Forms for HERO Materials (Learner's Guidebooks) to ALS Implementers
- Weekly and Monthly progress reports
- Terminal Report
- Other documents, as may be requested by the O2 Higher Education Team

Indicative Timetable and level of effort

Activity/Output	Timeframe	Person-days
USAID Program Orientation and New-Hire Orientation	May 2-3, 2022	2 days
HERO for SHS Training of Facilitators	May 4-6, 2022	3 days
Coordination with Youth Development Team to the Facilitator's designated site	May 10-13, 2022	4 days
Coordination with Stakeholders (DepEd ALS)	May 16-20, 2022	5 days
Training Proper for HERO for SHS:	May 23- August 26, 2022	65 days

Inclusive of Pre-training Work + POY +HERO for SHS + Post-Training Work (Daily schedule every week, from Monday to Friday)		
National HERO Day Preparatory Work and Celebration	August 29-31, 2022	3 days
HERO for Upskilling and Multi-skilling Training of Facilitators	September 6-8, 2022	3 days
Training Proper for HERO for Upskilling and Multiskilling: Pre-training Work+ POY +HERO for Upskilling and Multi-skilling + Post-Training Work (Mon-Fri)	September 12 – October 21, 2022	30 days
Submission of Terminal Report	October 24-27, 2022	5 days
Total		120 days

This is an indicative timeframe. Actual timeframes may differ from site to site and will be agreed upon with the successful applicant during the consultancy contract award.

Minimum Qualifications

- A bachelor's degree in Education, Social Development, Entrepreneurship, Psychology, or related field
- At least 3 years minimum work experience in similar or related capacity
- Knowledgeable or willing to learn about the Alternative Learning System, the Senior High School Program, and programs offered by TESDA
- Passionate in advancing out-of-school youth agenda
- Excellent facilitation skills, written and verbal communication skills in English and dialect(s) commonly used on site
- Excellent interpersonal communication, relationship-building and management skills
- Able to work independently and in a team environment
- Computer literate, and has access to personal laptop or desktop and has good internet connection to carry out the activities under the contract.
- Must be a resident of the place/site where the consultant is needed.

Application Instructions

Interested candidates should send their application (a cover letter and CV) no later than **5:00 PM Manila Time, February 18, 2022** with a reference to the position. For example, "**HERO Facilitator – Quezon City**" to Opportunity 2.0 Operations and Procurement Manager at ProcurementPH@edc.org. Applications must be either in Word or PDF and submitted as one file.