



Story-Teller (Volunteer Position)

At Tearfund, we are Christians passionate about ending poverty. At Tearfund, you join other Christians around the world who are passionate about ending poverty and believe that the poor are precious to God. We believe that working with the local church is the best way to transform lives, restore relationships, and help people lift themselves out of poverty. When disasters strike, we respond quickly. We won't stop until poverty stops.

Benefits

- Work experience in an organization with a vision to see all people freed from poverty, living transformed lives and reaching their God-given potential.
- You will learn and gain experience in international development with a brand that is globally recognized.
- You will refine your story-telling skill set and learn more about writing for the non-profit sector
- You will be involved in writing incredible stories on how God is changing the lives of people all over the world in remarkable ways.

Position Profile

Position:	Story-teller (Volunteer)
Reports to:	Marketing and Communication's Manager
Location:	Markham, Ontario or remotely
Schedule:	8-12 hours a week (hours and times are flexible).
Dates:	January 5 – April 30 (Dates are flexible and can be extended or changed based on applicant)
Updated:	December 12, 2018
Application deadline:	No application deadline - we will hire once the suitable applicant is found.

Responsibilities

General Description

The Tearfund Canada team is made of Christians passionate about ending poverty. We are part of a worldwide family of Tearfund organizations. Tearfund Canada leads excellent projects in 11 countries in Africa and Asia with long-term Church based partners.

We raise funds from individuals and churches, as well as from Global Affairs Canada and through our membership in the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Tearfund Canada serves as the official relief and development partner of five denominations and many independent churches.

Inspired by the example and teaching of Jesus, we recognize that people have deeply interconnected material and spiritual needs. We seek to meet those needs by working through local Christian networks across Africa and Asia - primarily through churches and faith-based organizations who are at the heart of their communities.

The volunteer story-teller loves to tell the story of transformed lives in the developing world. This person is an excellent writer and a creative individual. They constantly seek to tell the story of the impact of Tearfund's development programs to the Canadian Church, individual donors and prospective donors.

This person helps with the creation of content and collateral material for donor marketing/fundraising activities. They will write engaging content for print, web, and social media that captivates donors and motivates them to give.

Weekly Activities

- Writing various pieces of content including field stories for web, e-newsletters, and mail pieces.
- Providing feedback to other contributors, and editing other writers' content
- Assist with the writing of social media posts that captivate Tearfund's target audience
- May assist with the development of direct mail pieces including newsletters, brochures and appeal letters

Qualifications

- Fully aligned with the vision, mission, and values of Tearfund Canada, including the Statement of Faith and Lifestyle Expectations.
- A passion and willingness to learn about international development and Tearfund Canada's mission.
- Excellent writing and editing skills, as well as the ability to adopt the style, tone, and voice of our organization's various types of content.
- Ability to write short yet captivating stories that move donors and audiences on an emotional level
- Ability to summarize complex concepts and information in a concise, donor-centric manner, that doesn't lose essential elements

Application

To apply: Send a brief cover letter why you're the right person for this role, along with your current resume, and two writing samples to hr@tearfund.ca

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Please apply by email only, with cover letter, resume, and writing samples to hr@tearfund.ca

Qualified candidates must be able to demonstrate a commitment to the core values and Christian mission of Tearfund Canada.

Tearfund Canada welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

We thank all applicants for applying, however will only reply to those selected for interviews. *No phone calls please.*

To learn more about Tearfund Canada, visit Tearfund.ca