



Role Title: Education Adviser

Overview: As an Education Adviser for COPA you will take forward our projects by developing the quality of learning and teaching, and will work in partnership with the Government to support the ongoing re-organisation of COPA Schools for Single Tanda Schooling which is a country wide initiative affecting all Dominican schools.

We are looking to appoint a teacher with Primary or Middle School experience to assist the head-teachers in evaluating the needs of their school with regard to teaching and learning, working alongside local teachers to improve their teaching skills and organise training workshops.

Children in COPA schools study an early years/primary curriculum but they don't leave the school until they are 16 years old. This is a wonderful opportunity for someone to use their experience to inspire fellow colleagues and help provide a rich, stimulating learning environment to empower young people enabling them to change their future prospects forever.

Person Specification:

Essential/Highly Desirable

- B.Ed. or PGCE in Primary Education or US equivalent
- Teaching experience in the UK or US
- Computer literate
- Flexible, creative, resourceful
- Sympathy with the philosophy and aims of COPA
- Able to work within a multi-cultural setting and an international team
- Able to work within a structured framework which has been developed by COPA
- Ability to speak and write Spanish

Desirable

- Experience of working overseas or in a multi-cultural setting
- 3 years Primary/Elementary teaching experience in the UK or US

Salary: COPA pays a local stipend (approximately US\$450 per month) and provides one return flight from your home country, insurance and free apartment accommodation and utilities. Contribution towards National Insurance or equivalent.

Contract: 2 years (renewable by mutual agreement)

Location: Barahona Province, Dominican Republic

Start date: By agreement

Applications: Please submit your CV/Resume and a covering letter to copahr@gmail.com

A bit about COPA

Community Partners Association (COPA) was founded as a Christian organisation to bring new hope and empowerment to communities in the Dominican Republic. COPA has made a great difference in the communities it serves by building two schools in the villages of La Hoya and Bombita. Since 1992 we have helped educate thousands of children, founded two health clinics, supported pupils through secondary education, organised work skills training for leavers and supported many students through university.

We are now experiencing former pupils returning from higher education and university to work in their community. This certainly was not possible twenty years ago, when few children attended school and those who did, left being hardly able to read and write. For many years generations of poor Haitian families have migrated to the Province of Barahona where COPA is working and two thirds of the children in the COPA schools are Haitian.