

JOB DESCRIPTION: UGANDA CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATE

Company: EarthEnable Uganda

Reports to: District Manager

Location: Multiple locations in Eastern Uganda

Compensation: Starts modest with potential for significant for performance based raises

Timeframe: Open-ended

Who We Are

At EarthEnable, we believe that our clients deserve our very best, that morning high-fives are the best way to start the day, and that the best ideas could come from any part of the company. We celebrate each other's wins, learn from our setbacks, and are deeply proud of the impact we make every day. We believe that a clean, dustfree floor means more than living in a healthy home. It means pride and dignity in the place our customers most treasure: their homes. Being a part of our team means more than building floors: it means building an organization and building a better future for rural families.

What We Do

EarthEnable is transforming the way people live, by making homes healthier for families across rural Rwanda. 80% of Rwandans live in homes with dirt floors which are dusty, unsanitary, and fertile breeding grounds for parasites and germs. While replacing a dirt floor with concrete has significant health benefits (e.g. reducing diarrhea by 50% and parasitic infections by 80%), concrete is unaffordable for many who need it.

EarthEnable addresses this pressing and ubiquitous problem by selling high-quality, earthen floors that are 80% cheaper than concrete with 90% less embedded energy. Earthen floors are already prevalent in modern homes in the United States and are composed of natural materials (gravel, clay, sand, and laterite). EarthEnable trains and hires local masons to install the floors which are sealed using a proprietary drying oil that makes them waterproof, strong, and polished. In our first 3 years of operations, EarthEnable has installed over 400,000 square feet of flooring and employed over 100 Rwandese staff (and generated jobs and income for an additional 100 masons).

About the Role

This role will work with our operation team at one of our District offices. The person is responsible for overseeing the district construction team including masons and supervisors. This role has a wide range of responsibilities including mason management, inventory management, logistics, and auditing of quality. We are looking for someone who is adept at detailed planning, logistics, a quick learner, and a self-starter. He or she will work closely with the District Manager to ensure that we build both the quantity and quality of floors required.

The specific tasks of this role include:

Ensuring that floors within your district meet the standard of quality set by the Regional Operations Manager and the quality assurance team

Overseeing logistics surrounding procurement and movement of materials and materials usage

Training construction supervisors and supervise mason trainings

Managing 1-5 construction supervisors and up to 50 contracted masons

Conducting daily spot checks of ongoing construction

Ensuring equipment and material movements to clients are logged into inventory system

Ensuring Salesforce and reporting is up-to-date

Supporting management team in strategizing around operational cost reductions and improvements to quality

Any other duty that may be assigned to you by your manager from time to time.

Job Requirements:

Diploma holder with preference to those with a background in construction management, civil engineering, environmental sciences, or logistics

2+ years of work experience with at least 1 year managing several people

Strong people management skills with the ability to manage contract staff

Manage complex scheduling and logistics of large numbers of staff and materials

Ability to work independently

Fluency in English and Lusoga

Strong skills MS Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint)

Strong written and verbal communications skills

Positive attitude, self-starter, entrepreneurial spirit, sense of humor and willingness to learn new things
Commitment to excellence, outstanding work ethic, and attention to detail

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