

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position title: Field Officer (FO)

Directly reports to: Blue Iguana Operations Manager and Darwin Project Lead.

Validity: 2 years

Location: Grand Cayman

Background:

Blue Iguana Conservation (BIC) is a project under the National Trust for the Cayman Islands (NTCI), focusing on saving the charismatic Grand Cayman blue iguanas.

Job Summary:

The Field Research Officer (FO) is responsible for the implementation of the objectives outlined in the Darwin Plus Grant (DPLUS163 -

Preserving Endemic Threatened Wildlife Populations Through Effective Protected Area Management) which is aligned to the National Trust for the Cayman Islands Strategic Plan (2021-2025) and the Blue Iguana Strategic Species Action Pan 2021 -2026. He/she ensures the delivery of the activities of the grant.

Main Responsibilities include:

- Lead the field research aspect of the programme within the Protected Areas (PAs) and ensures high standards of data collection, analysis and dissemination of results.
- Invasive Species Management and monitoring within PAs
- Supervise and train the Assistant Field Officer
 - Leads on the co-ordination of biodiversity surveys of Colliers Wilderness Reserve and Salina Important Bird Areas
 - Co-ordination of paid or volunteer workers to enable the camera trap surveys to be conducted
 - Collation and analysis of data from camera trap surveys, biodiversity surveys, supported by RSPB Centre for Conservation Scientist(s)

• Represents NTCI/BIC conservation efforts at appropriate national, regional and international meetings and fora, as delegated and approved by the Executive Director.

• Ensures the delivery of conservation strategic species action plan for BIC and supports the implementation of NTCI Strategic plan.

• Works with Finance Manager for program budget planning, monitoring, and reporting and facilitates support to in developing and managing project budgets.

• Works with the Education Manager for the development of educational resources and community outreach.

- Training and developing community volunteer network
- Other activities outlined in the grant and requested by NTCI line management.



Required Qualifications and Experience:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent in Biology, conservation, environmental management, or 4 years' experience in relevant fields. Experience in supervising others would be desirable.
- At least 6 months of practical experience in working within a conservation or similar program, experience working in the region, various outdoor terrains and with Cyclura would be an advantage.
- Knowledge of data analysis using software such as R and experience in using GIS desirable.

Salary & Benefits:

• Salary range KYD\$36,000.00-42,000.00, full basic health insurance and statutory pension contribution. Due to the tough fieldwork environment, shoe allowance and uniform shirts provided.