The Role
Street Child is looking for individuals hoping to gain valuable experience in the development sector by undertaking an entrepreneurial volunteer role in Sierra Leone. This placement is a unique opportunity to make a critical contribution to an organisation that helps some of the world’s most vulnerable children to access education.

Street Child Commercial was established in 2011 as a unique fundraising stream for Street Child in Sierra Leone. A series of shops and café bars in Sierra Leone create a sustainable source of income by turning profits which are then re-invested into projects. After a challenging period during the Ebola crisis, Street Child Commercial is seeking new avenues for expansion and growth of profits in both existing and new enterprises. Working alongside the Street Child Commercial team, key responsibilities will include –

- Researching new market opportunities throughout Sierra Leone
- Developing viable expansion plans alongside the local management team
- Analysing the profitability of existing enterprises and seeking opportunities for growth

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn about the social enterprise sector through an immersive experience, and to make a lasting contribution to the organisation and its aim to empower children through education.

Qualifications
- A business related degree with a strong academic record
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Professional and diligent in presentation and conduct
- Independent and capable of proactive work plan management with minimal support
- Flexible, adaptable and able to thrive in a start-up environment
- Thoughtful, resourceful, reflective, and eager to learn
- Culturally responsive and respectful
- Keen interest in understanding and contributing to the development sector

The Charity
Street Child’s aim is to create educational opportunities for some of the world’s most vulnerable children. We began our work in 2008 in Sierra Leone working with a small number of street children, nine years later we have helped to transform the lives of more than 100,000 children across Sierra Leone, Liberia, Sri Lanka and Nepal. In 2017 we launched our first project in Nigeria helping children impacted by conflict in the North East of the country.

Terms
The successful applicant must be prepared to live and work in austere conditions when required, and to travel independently within Sierra Leone. The applicant must be able to manage his or her work plan and report regularly to the team on progress, and will be considered a valued member of the team.

A fundraising commitment will be required of the successful applicant, for which support will be provided by Street Child UK staff. Flights and food are at the applicant’s own expense. Accommodation will be provided by Street Child
at a fixed cost. A detailed breakdown of costs and expenses will be provided for those applicants selected for interview.

Whilst this is initially a voluntary role, for applicants with relevant experience who have the ability to add strategic value, there is potential to attain a more permanent position with the organisation.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Please send your cover letter and CV to IntVol@street-child.co.uk outlining your experience, interest in the placement and availability.