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Profile

Mission-driven leader with expertise in nonprofit program management, community engagement, and maternal and child health initiatives. Adept at strategic planning, stakeholder collaboration, volunteer mobilization, and grant management, ensuring impactful service delivery and organizational growth. Passionate about strengthening families through evidence-based interventions, diverse partnerships, and trauma-informed care.

Education

Master of Public Health - Western Governors University

Relevant Coursework: Epidemiology, Health Policy, Program Planning and Evaluation, Communications

Capstone Project: Developed a comprehensive maternal and child health program to reduce infant mortality rates in underserved communities.

Bachelor of Social and Health Care - Arcada University of Applied Sciences

Relevant Coursework: Public Health, Health Promotion, Community Health, Social Work

Thesis: Explored the impact of animal therapy on memory loss disorders in the elderly.

Certifications

Perinatal Mental Health Certification (PMH-C), Postpartum Support International, 2023 (renewed 2025)

Lactation Counselor (CLC), Academy of Lactation Policy and Practice, 2025

Mental Health First Aid, National Council for Mental Wellbeing, 2022 (renewed 2024)

Professional Certification in Trauma and Resilience, Florida State University, 2021

Certified Safe Baby Trainer, Healthy Start Coalition of Hillsborough County, 2022 (renewed 2024)

End of Life Doula Training, International End-of-Life Doula Association (INELDA), 2023

Lastinger Center Coach, University of Florida, 2020

Children and Young People's Workforce: Early Childhood Development, Pearson, 2017

Core Competencies

- Strategic Planning & Government Relations
- Performance Management & Data Analytics
- Program Oversight & Stakeholder Coordination
- Grant Strategy & Legislative Advocacy
- Process Optimization & Workflow Development
- Volunteer Mobilization & Training
- Public Policy Research & Reporting
- Cross-Sector Collaboration & Innovation

Professional Experience

Chapter Director – Safe Families for Children Treasure Coast

June 2025 – Present

- Manage and cultivate staff members for personal and professional growth, fostering a culture of accountability and continuous development.
- Lead relationship development with community partners, donors, churches, and the statewide network to expand volunteer and funding pipelines.
- Prepare, submit, and manage grants to community philanthropies, resulting in diversified revenue streams and enhanced program sustainability.

- Prepare and monitor the chapter budget, ensuring alignment with strategic priorities and maintaining fiscal responsibility.
- Oversee fidelity implementation of the evidence-based model of service in partnership with the Family Coach Supervisor, driving quality outcomes for families.
- Represent Safe Families ministry and vulnerable families' interests at community meetings, advocacy events, and coalition gatherings.
- Prepare quarterly, fiscal, and annual chapter reports for leadership, funders, and the national network, leveraging data to inform decision-making.
- Handle marketing and communications, developing outreach materials, social media campaigns, and website updates to raise awareness and engagement.
- Volunteer as Host Family and Family Friend, providing direct support and modeling best-practice care for families in crisis.

Special Projects Manager - Indian River County Healthy Start Coalition, Inc

March 2022 – June 2025

- Leads multi-county initiatives to address infant and fetal mortality, overseeing strategic reporting, policy recommendations, and interdepartmental collaboration through the Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Program.
- Develops and maintains data-driven systems to track mortality trends, ensure regulatory compliance, and drive maternal and child health initiatives through strategic grant management and legislative advocacy.
- Designs and executes educational programs, annually conducting 25+ community training sessions for over 600 participants, covering topics such as mental health, substance use, and safe childcare practices.
- Spearheads cross-sector collaborations, working with government agencies, healthcare providers, and community stakeholders to optimize program efficiencies.
- Oversees special projects, translating research insights into actionable strategies that improve infant health outcomes and expand community-driven solutions.
- Leads monthly case reviews, managing professional volunteer teams to identify systemic gaps and recommend interventions to state officials.

Quality Specialist/Inclusion Coordinator - Early Learning Coalition of Indian River, Martin, and Okeechobee

July 2019 - March 2022

- Designed and led inclusion policy initiatives, driving systemic improvements in accessibility and equity across early childhood education programs, contributing to a 20% increase in Inclusive Education Plans.
- Developed data-driven assessment frameworks to identify and address service gaps for children requiring additional support, resulting in a 15% improvement in individualized interventions.
- Led cross-sector collaborations with educators, families, and specialists to create targeted education plans, increasing student engagement and program effectiveness by 25%.
- Implemented workforce training programs, equipping educators with advanced strategies in diversity, equity, and inclusion, achieving a 30% increase in teaching effectiveness.
- Oversaw program compliance with state and federal regulations, integrating quality assurance methodologies to enhance long-term education outcomes.
- Conducted performance evaluations, tracking key metrics to inform policy adjustments and optimize funding allocation.
- Developed grant proposals and impact reports, translating program data into actionable insights for leadership and stakeholders.

Lead Volunteer Organizer - Helsinki Expat Meetup

January 2009 - July 2019

- Led large-scale community initiatives, designing and implementing high-impact engagement strategies that strengthened relationships and fostered inclusivity.
- Managed volunteer recruitment, training, and retention, optimizing workflows to enhance participation, resulting in a 30% increase in sustained engagement.
- Developed cross-sector partnerships, securing collaborations with local businesses, organizations, and government stakeholders, expanding community offerings by 25% year-over-year.
- Designed and executed comprehensive outreach strategies, leveraging social media, newsletters, and targeted communication channels to maximize event attendance.
- Promoted diversity and cultural inclusivity, integrating equity-driven practices into program development and stakeholder engagement efforts.
- Negotiated vendor agreements and sponsorships, reducing costs and securing resources to sustain community-driven initiatives efficiently.

Technical Proficiency

- Advanced Excel for data tracking, budget management, and strategic reporting
- Expertise in municipal and state reporting systems & performance dashboards
- Grant writing, legislative policy analysis, and funding strategy development

Committees & Leadership

- Metropolitan Planning Organization - Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (2025)
- Family Workgroup, Thrive Coalition – Contribute to strategic planning and multi-agency collaboration to support family well-being initiatives.
- Joint Agency Meetup – Facilitate interagency discussions, fostering partnerships and aligning efforts to address community needs
- Together for Health – Engage in cross-sector health initiatives, promoting accessible care and community-driven solutions.
- Sunset Rotary Club – Support service projects and local initiatives focused on strengthening community development and engagement.