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| Other Gender | | | |

Board Information

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|-----------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| Board Name | Human Rights & Community Partnerships Advisory Council | Other boards or commissions served | Human Rights & Community Partnerships Advisory Council |
| Status | New | Resigned | |
| Term Start Date | | | |
| Term End Date | | | |

Work Information

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|------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Employer | City of Denver, Housing Stability | Work Address | 303 W. Colfax |
| Position | Director Homelessness Resolution | Work City | Denver |
| Business Phone # | 720.913.1886 | Work State | CO |
| Work Email | | Work Zip | 80204 |

Additional Information

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| Are you a registered voter? | Yes | Other Ethnicity | |
| If so, what county? | Jefferson | Objection to appointment? | No |
| Denver City Council District No | N/A | Special Information | |

Education and General Qualifications

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| Name of High School | Burlington High School | Name of Graduate School | Colorado State University |
| Location of High School | Burlington, Wisconsin | Location of Graduate School | Fort Collins, Colorado |
| # of Years Attended High school | 4 | # of Years Attended Graduate School | 3 |
| Did you Graduate | Yes | Did you Graduate | Yes |

High School

Graduate Major Communication/Rhetorical Studies

Name of College Winona State University
 Location of College Winona, Minnesota
 # of Years Attended College 4
 Did you Graduate College Yes
 Undergrad Major Communication Studies, Global Studies

Reference Details

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Christopher Conner

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Public service professional with 10+ years specializing in service to homeless and marginalized populations through leading broad collaborative efforts of public, non-profit, private, and consumer partners.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

DIRECTOR

Denver's Road Home, City and County of Denver – September 2017 – Present

Full executive responsibility for all activities of Denver's signature office on homelessness response including contracting, audit, team-building, policy-building, and direction of both internal and external operations. Lead development of strategic recommendations for transformative change to shelter/safety net systems focused on establishing *permanent* outcomes from homelessness. Engage publics through special events, community forums, and close individual contacts (including intergovernmental contact both under invitation and as host. Represent City of Denver in appointment and event requests that cannot be accommodated in the Mayor's schedule. Engage media in both proactive/pitch and responsive/inquiry scenarios. Authority leadership on program decisions in strategic and acute/emergency scenarios. Provide training support to professional teams with frequent contact with street populations (i.e. Safety, Park Rangers, etc.).

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR

Denver's Road Home, City and County of Denver – July 2011 – September 2017

Monitored and supervised a continuum of program support contracts to people experiencing homelessness, from Street Outreach engagements through housing and aftercare. Specialized in crafting flexible emergency shelter programming and maturing referral networks for supportive services and housing resources that match to client needs. Led data-based information and influence messaging on topics relating to homelessness to public audiences, decision-makers, and community leaders. Implemented general strategic approaches and particular creative responses when right-fit services are not present.

AFFILIATE FACULTY

Metropolitan State University Denver, Dept. of Human Services – Fall 2013 – Spring 2015

Designed and taught a cataloged Junior-level course called *Homelessness and Community Responses* that critically engaged a variety of challenges and solutions presenting to US American homelessness. Compensation for this position was conferred back to the university toward endowment of a needs-based scholarship.

LEAD STREET OUTREACH CASE MANAGER

Urban Peak, Denver, CO – April 2006 - July 2011

Provided “wrap around” service and case planning/management to youth experiencing homelessness at the street level during evening/night shifts. Assisted staffing of homeless shelter for youth, public relations, and management of the Street Outreach team. Provided supervisory support to a team of 6 outreach workers. Primary contact for neighbor and business stakeholders.

EVENT SPECIALIST, TOUR DE FAT

New Belgium Brewing Company, Fort Collins, CO. – April 2007 – October 2007

Joined a travelling circus for a series of experiential marketing events building New Belgium brand awareness and raising funds for bicycle advocacy. Provided creative direction and logistical/mechanical support to a multicity marketing tour.

INSTRUCTOR, PUBLIC SPEAKING

Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO – August 2001—May 2003

Taught several sections of undergraduate core curriculum in Public Speaking during my MA coursework.

INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNSELOR

Home and Community Options, Inc., Winona, MN – October 1997—June 2001

Provided life skills counseling and case support to individuals with cognitive disabilities transitioning to independent-living environments.

KITCHEN STAFF

Queen of Peace Friary and Retreat Center, Order of Franciscan Friars Minor

Lead food preparation and social activities in a group living, elder care environment for Franciscan Catholic priests and friars.

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT/LEADERSHIP**MAYORAL APPOINTEE/ADVISORY BOARD**

Human Rights and Community Partnerships, City and County of Denver – December 2013 to Present
Chair, August 2015 – Present

MAYORAL APPOINTEE/COMMISSIONER

Denver Drug Strategy Commission, City and County of Denver – August 2011

ADVISORY BOARD

Mile High Connects, Denver, CO – January 2015 – January 2016

YOUTH MENTOR

Denver Urban Scholars – January 2013 – May 2017

CO-FOUNDER

Underground Syringe Exchange Denver – January 2008 – January 2011

EDUCATION

2011 – MA Communication Studies/Rhetoric, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO

Masters thesis provided primary interview data and research of strategies used by heroin injectors experiencing homelessness to prevent initiating new people to injection in street environments.

2001 – BA Communication Studies, mn. Globalization Studies, Winona State University, Winona, MN

Capstone completed primary interview data and research on psychosocial dynamics of gay/celebate sexuality within the Catholic priesthood.
