

Education

Jan. 2020-May 2021 Master of Public Administration, University of Colorado, Denver, CO
Aug. 2006-May 2010 Bachelor of Arts Political Science Major, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA
Minor in Film Studies, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA

Work History/ Professional Experience

Aug. 2021-Present

Manager of Strategic Projects and Policy, Denver Economic Development & Opportunity, City & County of Denver-Denver, CO

Role includes policy research, policy development, and working across divisions and with the Mayor's Office to draft legislation and ordinance requests. The position acts as the agency's liaison for Denver City Council including legislative strategy, briefings, presentations, and assists with constituent services and case management. Sitting on the External Affairs team, the position includes community outreach and engagement, cultivating external partnerships, and stakeholder management. Currently lead multiple internal and external projects including: an economic recovery dashboard, peer city initiatives, and strategic planning.

Jun. 2021-Aug. 2021 Director of Tax Help Colorado, Mile High United Way-Denver, CO

Tax Help Colorado is a statewide program that works to help families and individuals connect with valuable tax credits like the Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit, and free tax preparation services. The role leads the planning, execution, and evaluation of Tax Help Colorado and is responsible for directing the Tax Help Colorado team, partnering with volunteers, colleges and school districts, local and state organizations, councils, and collaboratives to implement the Tax Help Colorado strategy.

Mar. 2020-Jun. 2021 Director of Volunteer Engagement, Mile High United Way-Denver, CO

Duties include leading the volunteer and community engagement strategy, including partnership cultivation, emergency activation and response, volunteer recruitment, oversight of volunteer engagements and signature events. Position is also responsible for leveraging volunteerism to support engagement strategies in areas such as major donors, corporate partners, higher education, city and governments, community programs and grassroots organizations. The role also collaborates with internal Mile High United Way programs to design community and donor education opportunities that include trainings around trauma informed care, DEI practices and community advocacy.

Aug. 2018-Feb. 2020 Sr. Manager of Economic Opportunity and Education Integration, Mile High United Way-Denver, CO Responsibilities include managing the operations, planning, evaluation and expansion of the Mile High United Way Centers for Family Opportunity, a two-generation integrated service model focused on moving families towards economic stability. The position collaborates with community partners, donors, policy organizations, service providers, corporate partners and other key community stakeholders to implement Center for Family Opportunity strategies. Other responsibilities include strategic analysis and background for Mile High United Way's ongoing economic mobility programs, integration of DEI practices in the development of strategy and advocacy work as well as make recommendations for future investments including the integration of innovative services and service delivery.

Jan. 2016-Aug. 2018 Manager of Office of the President and CEO, Mile High United Way- Denver, CO

Duties included ensuring that the CEO is engaged in appropriate dialogues, and that the CEO is regularly briefed on activities across the organization including program activities, sponsored events and internal meetings. Position also served as a key liaison and relationship manager between the executive office and the board of trustees, partner organizations, grant recipients, corporate sponsors and other external stakeholders. The role also operated as a thought-partner on a variety of strategic and operational initiatives, internal and external deliverables and special projects including advancing diversity, equity and inclusion efforts. Other duties include managing all aspects of assigned projects from onset through completion of agreed timelines, scope and budgets as well as planning, reporting, researching and analyzing data.

Aug. 2014-Jan. 2016 Operations Manager, Mile High United Way- Denver, CO

Responsibilities included the construction closeout and organization-wide move into Mile High United Way's new 63,000 sq. ft building. Position also managed the CoBank Community Leadership Center, a community space used to convene nonprofit partners, corporate sponsors and government agencies. Duties also included managing outside contractors, building tenants, being on call for operations related emergencies, developing and managing a range of budgets related to site operations and serving as a liaison with the surrounding neighborhoods.

May 2011-Aug. 2014 Front Office Manager, Sage Hospitality- The Oxford Hotel, Denver, CO

Duties include the supervision of all front desk, room service, valet and bell stand associates, as well as creating and maintaining the front office standard operating procedures for a full service, luxury hotel in downtown Denver. Position is also responsible for managing the training and development of staff, managing the front office budget as well as coordinating group and VIP check-ins.

Dec. 2010-May 2011 Policy and Field Director, Davies for Denver, CO.

Responsibilities included writing policy briefs, advance team, organizing neighborhood canvassing, coordinating GOTV efforts, and being the person of contact for scheduling requests and campaign events.

Sept. 2010-Nov. 2010 Intern, Hickenlooper for Colorado- Denver, CO.

Duties included assisting with scheduling and travel logistics for Lt. Governor Candidate Joe Garcia as well as coordinating meeting briefs and assisting the campaign finance team.

May 2009-Sept. 2009 Research Coordinator, Katalysis Microfinance Network- Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Responsibilities included overseeing the assessment and expansion of the Youth Entrepreneurship Program. The position included extensive travel to network organizations as well as funds research and grant proposal writing.

May 2008-Sept. 2008 Intern, NBC 11 State Capitol Bureau Chief- Sacramento, CA.

Duties included assisting Bureau Chief Michael Luery in lining up and scheduling news stories/shot locations, researching congressional bills/executive orders, conducting on camera interviews, and assisting photographer in camera and shot set up.

Boards and Committees

Jan. 2022-Present	Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce's Public Affairs Council.
Dec. 2021-Present	Asian Chamber of Commerce Colorado - Board of Trustees
Nov. 2019-Present	Environmental Learning for Kids - Board of Trustees (Chair)
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Denver LGBTQ Commission July 2021-Present

Denver Agency for Human Rights and Community Partnerships Advisory Board July 2019-Present

Mar. 2021-Aug. 2021 Denver Sustainability Advisory Council - Community Adaptation, Resiliency, and Environmental Justice

May 2020-Jan. 2021 Denver's Social SafetyNet Food Security - Subcommittee

Sept. 2017-Jan. 2021 Denver Asian American Pacific Islander Commission

Jun. 2018-Dec. 2020 Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce's Education and Workforce Committee

Jun. 2012-Mar. 2020 Denver's Road to Work Business Advisory Committee

July 2015-July 2018 Blossom Project - Board of Trustees

Affiliations and Achievements

Aug. 2018-July 2019 United Way Worldwide Leaders Engaged in Accelerated Development (LEAD) Program	
Jan. 2016-Jun. 2016	Participant of Impact Denver presented by the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation
Fall 2008-May 2010	Member of the Executive Committee of the Council of University Social Entrepreneurs
Fall 2009	Awarded Pacific Fund grant money for the production and completion of a student documentary/narrative on

the impacts of the Great Recession on the Stockton Community.

Jun. 2005 Attained the Rank of Eagle Scout under the Boy Scouts of America