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Contact Information

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Other Email		County	USA
DOB		Hispanic or Latino origin or Descent?	No
SSN		Race/Ethnicity	Caucasian
Gender	Male	Other Ethnicity	
Other Gender		Salutation	Mr.

Board Information

Board Name	Commission for People with Disabilities	Other boards or commissions served	
Status	New	Resigned	
Term Start Date			
Term End Date			

Work Information

Employer	Atlantis Community Inc.	Work Address	201 S. Cherokee St. #100
Position	Independent Living Mental Health Specialist	Work City	Denver
Business Phone #	720-893-7732	Work State	CO
Work Email	ty@atlantiscommunity.org	Work Zip	80223

Additional Information

Are you a registered voter?	Yes	Objection to appointment?	No
If so, what county?	Denver	Special Information	
Denver City Council District No	Unknown	Registered Lobbyist	No
Conflict of Interest Explanation		Conflict of Interest	No

Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School	George Washington High School	Name of Graduate School	
Location of High School	655 S Monaco St Pkwy, Denver, CO 80224	Location of Graduate School	

of Years Attended
High school

of Years Attended
Graduate School

Did you Graduate
High School Yes

Did you Graduate

Graduate Major

Name of College Metropolitan State College of Denver,

Location of College 890 Auraria Pkwy, Denver, CO 80204

of Years Attended
College

Did you Graduate
College Yes

Undergrad Major Individualized Degree Program:
Administering Non-profits for High-risk
Youth

Reference Details

Reference Name #1 Peter Pike

Reference Phone #1

Reference Name #2 JoanLaBelle

Reference Phone #2

Reference Name #3 Curtis Garrett

Reference Phone #3

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Ty Smith is a peer (Person with a disability), policy maker, and advocate - specializing in the mental health system, quality of life measures, and trauma-informed care. Ty Smith grew up in the mental health system – because of that, he was exposed to many other systems. He has experienced all sorts of traumas and setbacks and was told numerous times that he had no future other than jail. Ty persist and worked hard to change his prescribed destiny and since then he has created and implemented Youth Voice, a cross-disability coalition that focused on creating youth subject matter experts and providing training for effective policy and advocacy activities. Ty has more than 17 years as a state and federal public health policymaker and eight years as a peer provider in the Colorado behavioral health system and has his Bachelor of Science, Administering Nonprofits for Youth. He sits on the Colorado Statewide Independent Living Council (CO SILC) and numerous other councils and committees. Ty Smith is currently employed at Atlantis Community Inc. as the Independent Living Specialist.

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Goals and Objectives

I've been working on developing my dream job of opening a Peer Run Respite. I've become an international expert on the subject, worked hard in college to learn how to start and run a successful non-profit, and volunteer in executive level positions. Now I'm looking to work in middle management to learn the final skills I need to be successful. My networks and perspective is what makes me valuable, and I'd like to continue some of my volunteer work, please ask me how this can benefit you.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Human Services, Metropolitan State College of Denver, Denver, CO, 2021

GPA 3.9 Major Individualized Degree Program: Administering Non-profits for High-risk Youth.

Certificate: Non-profit Management and High-risk Youth.

Associate Degree in Applied Science- Human Services Community College of Denver, Denver, CO, 2015

SKILL SUMMARY

- Adaptive with Technology
- Highly motivated and organized
- Experienced with community agencies
- Possess advanced computer skills
- Culturally aware and competent
- Strong networking skills and community engagement

WORK EXPERIENCE

Independent Living Specialist Mental Health

Atlantis Community Inc.

2022-Current

- Manage a full caseload of consumers
- Advocate for consumers on a systems level and promote individual advocacy
- Assist individuals with obtaining the necessary support and services to live independently
- Provide advocacy specific to service providers
- Participate in boards, community meetings, and task forces focused on creating policies that benefit the disability community

Board of Directors/Gubernatorial Council

Colorado Statewide Independent Living Council (CO SILC)

2019-Current

- Chair 2021-2023 Vice Chair 2020-2021
- Arrange logistics, plans the agenda, chair the Council, represent SILC publicly.
- Monitored the ongoing implementation of the Council's State Plan on Independent Living. Provide updates to the council and the Governor and Federal Administration on Independent Living
- Developed the Infrastructure for 501(c)3 transition.
- Provided support and oversight for Council committees.
- Developed Documented Quotes for specific projects for the Office of Independent Living procurement office
- Monitored state and national funding by the Council for progress and outcomes
- Attended numerous state level policy meetings to formulate, monitor or change policy related to supports and services for persons with disabilities.

Executive Director

Youth Voice, Colorado's Chapter of Youth MOVE, CO 2012-2020

- Founded Youth Voice
- Became a state chapter of Youth MOVE
- Developed "Core" trainings around the foundation of youth advocacy.
- Applied and awarded \$20,000 SAMHSA Social Inclusion Grant.
- Facilitated and oversaw 6 trainings across the state of Colorado

EDUCATION AND TRAININGS

- Mental Health America's WE CAN! of Colorado's Leadership Academy 2000
- Nate Rockitter's Young Adult Peer Specialist training, 2001
- NAMI Colorado's 20 - In Our Own Voice Training, 2009
- NEC's Master Story Teller, facilitated by Elizabeth Kenny, 2012

AWARDS, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, AND VOUNTEER WORK

- Eli Lilly's Hero's in the Fight Award, 2007
- Behavioral HealthCare Inc.'s Gala awards, 2002, 2005, and 2007
- APSE1' Dave Hammis Award 2022
- International Peer Respite and Soteria Summit key organizer [2021 – Current]
- Securing Employment and Economic Keys to Stability (SEEKS) Member and Chair of the Peer Subcommittee [2020 - 2022]
- Chair of Colorado Statewide Independent Living Council (CO SILC) (Governor appointment) [2019 - Current]
- Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness. (PAIMI) member [2019 - Current]
- Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council (BHPAC) member (Governor appointment) [2019 - 2022]
- Colorado's Access's Member Advisory Council member [2017 - 2020]
- Quality of Life Volunteer at CHARG Resource Center [2016 - Current]
- Executive board member of Colorado Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health. [2013 - Current]
- Males for the Recovery of Trauma (M4RT) member [2012 - Current]
- System of Care Design Team member [2012 - 2016]
- Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale Technical Assistance. Center Strategy (BRSS TACS) member of Colorado. [2012 - 2015]
- Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council (BHPAC) member [2012-2014]
- Behavioral Health Transformation Council (BHTC) member (Governor appointment) [2007-2014]
- Colorado Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council (MHPAC) member [2007- 2012]
- Keynote Speaker, Colorado Easter Seals Conference, 2008