BETSY MERZENICH

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OBJECTIVE

To apply my skills and knowledge in a volunteer capacity with a visionary nonprofit engaged in international work.

EMPLOYMENT

2003-2006 Associate Executive Director

Community Network for Youth Development, San Francisco, CA http://www.cnyd.org

- Led and managed capacity building organization serving youth development organizations and initiatives throughout the United States.
- Created internal management systems including staff supervision, project planning, communication, and program evaluation.
- Built a successful, high-functioning team providing quality services to diverse partner and client organizations.
- Developed new curricular tools and innovative online training approaches used nationally.
- Managed multiple staff, consultants, budgets, and training and development projects.

2002-2003 Funding Consultant

Oakland Fund for Children and Youth, Oakland, CA http://www.ofcy.org

- Consulted on the redesign of a public grant program providing \$7 million in annual youth development funding.
- Negotiated scopes of work for diverse funding grantees.
- Restructured grant decision-making body to ensure authentic participation by appointed youth representatives.

2001-2003 Independent Consultant

Secondary schools, philanthropic and community organizations, Bay Area, California

 Provided consultation to youth and educational programs in areas of curricular innovation, program evaluation and accountability, system efficiencies, and project management.

1999-2001 Support Services Coordinator

Sequoia High School, Redwood City, CA http://www.sequoiahs.org

 Created and managed multiple support programs serving I 200 secondary student annually, including: literacy development program, Latino parent center, bilingual after-school academic support center, crisis-intervention team and site-based health services.

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1996-1999 Program Director

Mayor's Youth Employment & Education Program, San Francisco, CA http://www.myeep.org

• Led citywide collaboration of 13 community based organizations partnering to provide low-income students with employment and leadership development services annually. Raised and managed \$1.2 million in annual funding.

1994-1996 Teacher Instructor and Mentor

University of California, Berkeley and Stanford University

 Taught courses and provided mentoring to beginning and experienced teachers, with specialty in the areas of serving English-language learning students, project based learning, and classroom uses of technology.

1991-1996 Secondary School Teacher and Department Chairperson Various secondary schools in California

• Restructured and managed school programs and support services in collaboration with community stakeholders. Instructed diverse urban and rural student populations.

EDUCATION

1992-1993 Master of Arts in Education, Stanford University

1986-1990 Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Political Science, Cornell University

COMMUNITY WORK

2000 - 2005 Chair of the Board of Directors

Japanese Community Youth Council, San Francisco, CA http://www.jcyc.org

• Led the board of the largest community based youth-serving organization in San Francisco

2001-2002 Co-Founder and Event Coordinator Real Youth Sharing Expression

• Developed a collaboration of youth agencies and leaders to provide opportunities for youth to dialogue about 9.11 and political dissent.

References available on request