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ACADEMICS

School of Social Work at Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO

August 2006 - August 2008

M.S.W. – Emphasis in Budgeting and Community Planning (Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education)

Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO

August 2002 - May 2006

B.S. - Human Environmental Studies with an emphasis on Family Life

EXPERIENCE

LMR Enterprise, LLC. St. Louis MO

January 2017 - Present

Lead Principal

- Provide expertise and consulting to project managers in the process of project management and in the softer skills of team dynamics, team building and group motivation.
- Accountable for delivering outcomes, plan and execute projects to achieve business goals.
- Achieves operational objectives by contributing information and recommendations to strategic plans and reviews, preparing and completing action plans, implementing production, productivity, quality, and customer-service standards, resolving problems, identifying trends, determining system improvements, and implementing change.
- Track project performance, specifically to analyze the successful completion of short- and long-term goals.
- Set objectives in line with organization and/or client needs, which may include scope, content, timings and budget.
- Select, lead, and motivate project team from both internal and external stakeholder organizations.
- Manage project budget and resource allocation.
- Interact regularly with existing or potential clients to determine their needs and to develop plans for improving delivery.

Brown School of Social Work at Washington University, St. Louis MO

May 2017 - Present

Special Projects Coordinator, Professional Development Department

- Responsible for designing, coordination, and delivering development and training based on the needs of leaders, managers and other associates.
- Assist with sourcing, coordinating, and occasional delivery of internal, external, and online employee training & development programs.
- Maintain course content, manuals, and other training materials.
- Assess and identify knowledge and skill gaps within the organization.
- Select training tools or training delivery mechanisms to support company-training initiatives.
- Assess the impact of training programs through meaningful course evaluations, class attendance, and management feedback.
- Manage all online communications for projects, including those from social media, email and website sources.
- Conduct research and gathered key information for use in upcoming project planning.

Painefree Coaching & Consulting, St. Louis MO

May 2017 - Present

Project Manager & Trainer

- Work closely with upper management to ensure the scope and direction of each project is on schedule, as well as provide other departments with support.
- Coordinate internal resources and third parties/vendors for the flawless execution of projects.
- Develop project scopes and objectives, involving all relevant stakeholders and ensuring technical feasibility.
- Measure project performance using appropriate systems, tools and techniques.
- Establish and maintain relationships with third parties/vendors, clients, and all stakeholders.
- Develop long-term business strategy by using customer feedback to identify necessary process improvements.

Almost Home, St. Louis MO

April 2018 - February 2019

Interim Executive Director

- Managed staff and work to maintain staff morale during transition period to a permanent Executive Director.
- Maintained communication and relationships between Board and staff and within the staff.
- Worked with Board members and staff to develop, maintain, and improve relationships with funders.
- Organized, coordinated and managed the recruitment of volunteers for the board, various committees, departments and association programs.
- Worked with staff to maintain and enhance relationships with peer and partner organizations, clients and agencies.
- Maintained current understanding of state and federal policies such as EEO and ADA.
- Eliminated discrepancies in financial reporting and record keeping through accurate preparation and management of budget.

Provident, Incorporated, St. Louis MO

September 2011 - January 2017

Director of Youth Programs

- Established liaisons with universities and other comparable vendor users to keep abreast of status of computing and communications activities at these institutions as well as built lasting community partnerships.
- Coordinated and implemented community events for over 400 families and donors.
- Evaluated, developed and administered quantitative and qualitative surveying tools for outcome tracking to enhance future program development.
- Developed departmental policies, procedures, manuals, trainings, and orientation procedures for operation of program services resulting in more efficient internal processes.
- Managed a \$600,000+ budget and met budgetary objectives by adjusting project based on financial constraints.
- Managed all personnel functions such as recruiting, hiring, training, and evaluating the performance of over 50+ staff.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- EMS: Certified Instructor: Adult/Child/Infant CPR, First Aid, & AED
- American Red Cross: Certified Instructor: Adult/Child/Infant CPR, First Aid, & AED
- ASIST Certified Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training
- QPR Certified Question, Persuade, and Refer
- Proficient in Microsoft Office: PowerPoint, MSWord, Excel, & Outlook.
- Mental Health First Aid: Certified State Trainer