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Environmental Health & Safety Manager

Summary

* **Highly accomplished, EH&S professional** with proven industry success, in working with local, state, and federal agencies. Strong knowledge of NFPA, OSHA, Cal/OSHA, MSHA, EPA, SCAQMD, and DOT regulations.
* **Recognized by senior management** for generating six-figure saving with implementation of an innovative hazardous materials program.
* **Skilled trainer in development and facilitation of field safety and college-level EMT courses** for state and national certifications. Able communicator across diverse groups with full bi-lingual skills in English and Spanish.

Core Competencies

Team Leadership Project Management Microsoft Office/J.J. Keller

Change Management Process Improvements Data-Driven Decisions

Career Progression

Environmental Health & Safety Specialist March 2016 to Present

Village Management Services, Inc. Laguna Hills, CA

Manage the EH&S compliance, program/project management, training, and investigations for a 950+ union, non-union member staff, plus ~30 contractors, involved in property management for 18,00 residences with over 15,000 structures. Oversee a combined contract and departmental budget of ~$160K with additional oversight of $600K in assets.

* **Directed EH&S training and compliance in English and Spanish** for first-line supervisors and individual team members across a broad scope of topics including but not limited to: PPE, hazardous materials, ergonomics, ladders/scaffolding, safe work practices, heat stress, lockout/tagout, and others.
* **Teamed with HR in delivery of required training** in CPR/AED and 1st aid, mold awareness, bloodborne pathogens, asbestos, lead, OSHA 10- and 30-hour Certifications, silica, aerial lifting, forklifts, rescue, and fall protection.
* **Served as the management safety representative** in performance-related issues with union staff, offering unbiased direction with safety as the only driver of any recommendations.
* **Administered the audiometric program**; provided base-line evaluations and re-testing when employees were assigned to other positions, minimizing the possibility of long-term hearing damage.
* **Conducted daily site inspections**, observing work practices and general housekeeping; empowered to cease and resolve any work practices immediately for employees and contractors that were unsafe or non-compliant.
* **Leveraged accident investigations and near miss incidents** to provide data-driven training opportunities and continuous process improvement of work/safety practices.
* **Partnered with the Workers’ Comp carrier** in claims management and cost minimization strategies.
* **Collaborated with all stakeholders in job safety analysis,** providing a complete assessment of potential hazards and implementation of appropriate mitigation strategies.
* **Served as face-of-the-company** in management of third-party contractor bid reviews/awards; ensured complete compliance with IIPP certifications.
* **Slashed over $100,000 in expenses** with an aggressive hazardous materials program, achieving a safer workplace and management recognition for an excellent job.

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* **Obtained maximum pricing concessions** in negotiations for safety equipment and heavy equipment rentals.
* **Proactively developed ergonomically friendly workstations** and methodologies for reduction of strains and fatigue-induced injuries.
* **Successfully managed inspections/audits** by Cal/OSHA, SCAQMD, DTSC, CRWQCB, EPA, or other regulatory agencies with zero to minimal compliance-related discrepancies.

Facility Instructor – EMT January 2016 to Present

Orange Coast College Costa Mesa, CA

Developed and facilitated multiple courses providing practical application and development of the requisite skill set for Emergency Medical Technicians to conduct rapid, correct assessment of life-threatening conditions, with proper measures, based on current best practices and industry standards.

* **Managed administrative activities** such as grading, attendance, recruiting guest lecturers, and providing assistance to fellow instructors.

Director of Emergency Medical Services February 2013 to March 2016

Mohave Community College Lake Havasu, AZ

Initially brought aboard to teach courses and present workshops in behalf of the Arizona Center for Fire Service Excellence.

* **Subsequently promoted to serve as the chief instructional and operational officer** for the emergency medical services program for state and national EMT accreditation services.

Additional Employment

Firefighter/Driver Operator/Lieutenant/Paramedic January 1993 to February 2013

California Department of Forestry (CDF) Riverside, CA

Lake Havasu City Fire Department, Lake Havasu, AZ

Fort Mojave Mesa Fire Department, Fort Mojave, AZ

Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District, Kingman, AZ

Education

MS, Environmental Technology/Health& Safety/Industrial Hygiene, Arizona State University 2013

AAS, Para-Medicine/Technology, Mohave Community College 2010

BAS, Emergency Management, Arizona State University 2009

AAS, Fire Science Technology, Mohave Community College 2005

Professional Certifications\*

Associate Safety Professional (ASP) Certification – Anticipated February 2018

National Registry Certified Paramedic EMT | Asbestos Building Inspector | EM 385 Construction Safety

\*A detailed listing is available upon request.

Professional Associations

American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE)

Community Leadership

AYSO youth soccer coach for 6 years | USA Swimming - Starter, Stroke, and Turn Judge