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Summary

Financial Operations & Budget
Media Relations
Department Supervision
Organizational Change & Development

Project Management
Regional Planning
Grant Application
Labor Relations

An innovator in local government, possess analytical and communication skills. A dedicated team player who has experience in obtaining public support.

Relevant Local Government Experience

City Councilman, Mingo Junction, OH (1988 – 1991)

Duties and responsibilities

- ❖ Elected to City Council for two terms.
- ❖ Oversight responsibilities for the following functions: police, roads, water & sewage, recreation, planning, zoning, finance, & electricity.
- ❖ Prepare and administer cities operating and capital budgets.
- ❖ Negotiation with public and private sector entities on a variety of issues ranging from economic development and growth to service contracts.
- ❖ Media representation.

Achievements

- ❖ Responsible for obtaining a \$2.5M grant for a new water plant.
- ❖ Managed and organized a city budget of \$100M
- ❖ Purchased new computers for all departments
- ❖ Made sure sewage department was maintained by EPA standards
- ❖ Obtained various CDBG & HUD grants

Internship: Representative Douglas Applegate, Washington, D.C. (1988)

Lyndon Baines Johnson Congressional Intern

- ❖ Responsible for a variety of casework and correspondence with constituents.
- ❖ Researched and drafted legislative issues.
- ❖ Wrote articles for the Congressional Record.
- ❖ Areas of expertise: Education, labor, defense issues, public works, customer protection, and healthcare

J.C. Penney, OH, PA, & FL (2004-Present)

- ❖ Customer service specialist.

Visionquest School, Okeechobee, FL 2005-2007

- ❖ Taught social studies and intensive reading
- ❖ Working on reading and ESOL endorsement

The Vitamin Shop (2004).

- ❖ Assistant Store Manager.
- ❖ Responsible for all store operations, including bookkeeping, opening and closing of the store, and inventory control.
- ❖ Worked with staff on assigning their daily job duties

Diocese of Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, FL (2001-2003)

- ❖ Taught Social Studies & Religion at St. Marks School
- ❖ Advisor for That's Not Fair Program" a program that teaches social justice

Palm Beach County Schools, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, FL (1997-2000).

- ❖ Boca High School (9 –11 grades). Taught World History and Geography.
- ❖ West Tech. Taught Career Placement. Assisted Junior High with resume writing, leadership and interviewing skills; received a grant to attend the College of William and Mary.
Course Name: Economic Forces in the U.S. History, sponsored by the Foundation for Teaching Economics.
- ❖ Participated in the Palm Beach County Schools Holocaust Studies Program in Washington, DC.

May Department Stores, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Florida (1991 – 1998).

- ❖ Associate / Trainer.
- ❖ Managed and advised customers on their account status; including collections, credit lines increases, accounts receivable and payable & trained new employees

EDUCATION

University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH; Teaching Certificate & BA Political Science
Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA; Graduate Studies, Political Science

Former Professional Organizations

- . **Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission (Secretary).**
- . Ohio Mid Eastern Government Association.
- .Brooke, Hancock, Jefferson Metropolitan Commission.
- . Local chairman of the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution and Northwest Ordinance.
- . Workforce Development (job retention & future forum participant).
- . Participant in the first annual Florida-Japan Summit.
- . Workforce Development.
- . Palm Beach County School Boundary Executive Committee

Recognition

Professional Teacher Association 2003
Induction into Who's Who in America 2005.
Pennsylvania PTA lifetime membership 2012

