# **EMMA CHRISTIANSON**

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# **EXPERIENCE**

#### **DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR // IOWA HOMELESS YOUTH CENTERS / NOVEMBER 2016 – PRESENT**

- -Responsibilities include:
  - · major gift fundraising, donor relations, and grant writing
  - · Community Advisory Board engagement
  - · community engagement and outreach
  - · event management
  - · chair for internal campaign for United Way of Central Iowa
  - · supervise IHYC Development Coordinator
- -Oversees all marketing and communications for IHYC
  - · print, social media, public relations
- -Team lead for IHYC's signature fundraiser, Reggie's Sleepout, which raises \$150,000 annually
- -Main fundraiser for IHYC Youth Opportunity Center Phase II campaign, raising over \$1.38 million

#### DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR // IOWA HOMELESS YOUTH CENTERS / SEPTEMBER 2014 – NOVEMBER 2016

- -Recruited and trained volunteers for IHYC programs and locations
- -Obtained in-kind and monetary donations.
  - · successfully executed two Holiday Giving campaigns, collecting \$20,000+ of in-kind donations

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## POLK COUNTY ISU EXTENSION AND OUTREACH // COUNCIL MEMBER / JANUARY 2018 - PRESENT

- -Co-Chair of the Marketing/Communications Committee
- -Serves on Master Gardener Steering Committee
- -Supports the mission of Iowa State University Extension, who builds partnerships and provides research-based learning opportunities to improve the quality of life in Iowa.

## SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL - DES MOINES CLUB // VICE PRESIDENT / SEPTEMBER 2015 - PRESENT

-Collaborate with the President to fulfil the Soroptimist International mission: to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

# YNPN OF DES MOINES // MARKETING CHAIR / 2017-2019 TERM (MEMBER SINCE JANUARY 2015)

- -YNPN Des Moines Board Member; Marketing Chair for 2017-2019 term
- -Provide direction to Marketing Committee to accomplish tasks and goals, including social media, e-mail, website, event promotion, monthly e-newsletter, and content creation

#### IOWA 4-H PROGRAM // VOLUNTEER AND ALUMNA / APRIL 2013 – PRESENT

- -2017 Iowa State Fair 4-H Alumni of the Day; given by the Iowa 4-H Foundation
- -Served on the Statewide Activities Review Team to redesign State 4-H Recognition application process
- -Volunteer judge and evaluator for State 4-H Recognition Awards for 5 years

#### **EDUCATION**

#### IOWA STATE UNIVERISTY // AMES, IA / MAY 2014

B.A. Communication Studies, Spanish / Advertising Minor

UNIVERSITAT DE VALENCIA // VALENCIA, SPAIN / SUMMER 2012