

Employment Experience

Iowa Credit Union Foundation (ICUF), *Executive Director*

January 2014 – present

- Through leadership, fundraising and advocacy I serve the mission of ICUF to help Iowans build wealth, responsibility and independence, with the vision to eliminate poverty in the state of Iowa.
- Chief administrator the of ICUF Individual Development Account Program that provides more than \$1.5 Million in matching funds to more than 500 individuals and families working toward financial independence in Iowa.
- Responsible for raising restricted and unrestricted donations for the operations and programs of the ICUF resulting in more than \$200,000 raised during 2014.
- Lead advocacy and lobbying efforts with the aim to secure state funding support for the Individual Development Program.
- Served on state sponsored task force on financial literacy lead by the Iowa Department of Education to address best practices around financial education in Iowa schools.
- Educate credit unions leaders on best practices around serving underserved markets in an effort to provide financial tools to under banked or unbanked communities in Iowa.

WesleyLife, *Director of Philanthropy*

2012 – 2014

- Organized and led the annual fundraising event for Meals on Wheels. The 2013 Rockin' and Rollin' for Meals on Wheels event raised a record breaking \$90,000 in support of Meals on Wheels.
- Researched, created and implemented a strategy for advocacy and marketing related to our Meals on Wheels program and the need in Iowa.
- Led WesleyLife's 65th anniversary celebration events across 8 cities in Iowa and included more than 500 participants.
- Cultivate new and existing relationships and partnerships resulting in an increase in corporate, foundation and individual giving.
- Lead major gift fundraising for WesleyLife's Good Samaritan program resulting in more than \$300,000 in annual dollars.
- Cultivated and secured more than \$500,000 in planned gifts.
- Worked hand in hand with volunteers in fundraising committees to reach targeted goals.
- Served as the media spokes person to raise dollars and awareness of programs.

Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa, *Fund Development Manager*

2010 - 2012

- Developed new and streamlined existing fundraising events throughout Iowa resulting in an increase of \$80,000 in individual gifts.
- Advanced the mission of Girl Scouts by advocating for girl leadership with community leaders across the jurisdiction of Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa.
- Developed the Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa Alumnae Association and Girl Scout Leadership Society to cultivate support for the mission of girl scouts and prospective donors.
- Strengthened corporate and community support for Girl Scouts by building relationships with CEO's and other executives resulting in increase in corporate funding from the previous year.
- Wrote grants and the assisted organization of large annual appeals resulting in increase in funding from the previous year.

Employment continued

PolicyWorks, Des Moines, Iowa, *Government Affairs Associate*

2009 – 2010

- Assisted PolicyWorks' lobbyists during the 2010 legislative session by analyzing and tracking legislation relevant to our clients' needs.
- Assisted in the publishing of weekly and monthly bill tracking and media reports for clients.
- Provided daily support for clients and other staff members relating to local campaigns and elections.

Iowa Senate, Des Moines, Iowa, *Clerk for Senator Jeff Danielson*

2009 legislative session

- Provided daily administrative support to Iowa State Senator Jeff Danielson for the 2009 legislative session by filing and tracking bills and amendments.
- Assisted in committee administration and scheduling in accordance with Iowa Senate rules and regulations.
- Scheduled meetings with relevant constituents, legislators and lobbyists.

Education and Honors

Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa
Master of Public Administration
Emphasis area in Public Policy

Class of 2010

University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science
Minors – '*Politics and Law*' and *International Affairs*

Class of 2008

Pi Sigma Alpha – National Political Science Honor Society

Pi Alpha Alpha – National Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration

Leadership and Service

University of Northern Iowa Greater Des Moines Alumni Chapter

- Volunteered in various capacities with the university alumni department to cultivate Des Moines area alumni

Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute

- 2013/2014 Class Member
- 2014 – 2015 Board of Directors, Board Secretary

Young Professionals Connection of Des Moines

- 2012 Chair, Professional Development Committee
- 2012 and 2013 Board Member

New Leaders Council Des Moines

- 2012 Fellow
- 2013 Board Chair

Mid Iowa Planned Giving Council

- 2014 Planned Giving Conference Chair

Des Moines Water Works Foundation

- Committee member

Gamma Phi Beta International Sorority

- Regional Coordinator, Region 5 (Midwest collegiate chapters) 2012 - 2014
- Chapter Advisor, Omega Chapter, Iowa State University (2010-2012)
- Education Advisor Gamma Psi Chapter, University of Northern Iowa (2009 – 2010)

Lead Like a Lady, YP Executive Women's Networking Club

- Co-Founder and Treasurer