

Employment Experience

Iowa Credit Union Foundation, *Executive Director*

January 2014- Current

- Oversee capacity building through strategic fundraising
- Cultivate relationships with Iowa credit unions, community partners and other key audiences.
- Develop and oversee Credit Union granting process.

WesleyLife, *Director of Philanthropy*

2012 - 2013

- 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 and co-wrote grants and the assisted organization of large annual appeals resulting in increase in funding from the previous year.

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

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 reports for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and the Credit Union National Association.
- Assisted in the publishing of a weekly media report for the American Cancer Society.
- Provided daily support for clients and other staff members relating to local campaigns and elections.

Iowa State Senate, Des Moines, Iowa, *Senate Clerk/Secretary*

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 organization and debate in accordance Iowa Senate rules and regulations.
- Scheduled meetings with relevant constituents, legislators and lobbyists.
- Served as liaison for constituents in addressing concerns, problems and feedback.
- Organized, scheduled and addressed relevant issues by communicating with various Senators, Representatives, Secretaries and other members of the Iowa Legislature.

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

Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute

- 2013/2014 Class Member

Lead Like a Lady

- Co – Founder

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

Junior League of Des Moines

- Provisional Class Committee

Young Variety of Iowa

- Volunteer with the Bikes for Kids program

Rotary of Des Moines, AM

- Sergeant Committee

Mid Iowa Planned Giving Council

- 2014 Planned Giving Conference Chair

Gamma Phi Beta International Sorority

- Region 5 mid-west Regional Coordinator

St. Augustin Catholic Church

- 5th Grade Religious Education Instructor