

Ryan Clancy

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2020 - present **Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors**
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
District 4 County Supervisor
Authored or co-sponsored more than 100 resolutions and amendments in the first term in office, including the Right to Shelter, the Right to Counsel for families facing eviction, as well as numerous law enforcement accountability and harm reduction measures. Recognized in January 2021 and January 2022 in the *Shepherd Express* “Best of Milwaukee” awards as “Best County Supervisor”. Universally adored by colleagues. Only arrested once.
- 2018 - present **PRAWN (Progressive Restaurants and Activists of Wisconsin Network)**
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Founder, Legislative Liason
Formed labor advocacy group focused on improving labor conditions for hospitality industry workers, as an affiliate of RAISE / ROC-United. Recruited other respected Wisconsin restaurateurs to join and advocate. Developed and implemented training in conjunction with Restaurant Opportunities Center and the Sanctuary Restaurant movement. Attended national conferences for hospitality worker rights. Lobbied state and national politicians on issues related to increasing wages and working conditions. Countered regressive policy positions promoted by the National Restaurant Association and Wisconsin Restaurant Association to ensure workers’ concerns are represented.
- 2015 - present **Bounce Milwaukee**
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Co-owner
Developed and created family entertainment center, restaurant, bar and event venue from the initial conception through realization. Oversaw every step of design and construction. Recruited, hired, trained and supervised team of 25 employees. Managed all social media, advertising, outreach and development. Negotiated contracts with vendors, suppliers and contractors. Won awards for “Best Place to Work” as well as for sustainability.
- 2008 - 2015 **Professional Learning Institute (Milwaukee Public Schools)**
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
English teacher, Advisor
Raised reading, writing and climate achievement and scores among a large range of student abilities within a high-need, project-based, teacher-led high school. Took on significant administrative, counseling and planning duties. Integrated conflict resolution into school curricula in English and Social Studies. Implemented conflict resolution activities within advisory groups and assisted students with interpersonal conflict resolution. Facilitated creation of improvisational comedy team and poetry club and worked with numerous clubs and extracurricular activities. Supported four student-teachers into education as a cooperating teacher.

- 2001 - 2008 **Milwaukee Public Schools**
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Substitute Teacher
 Taught a variety of subjects and grades within Milwaukee Public Schools. Last assignment led to a long-term position with the Professional Learning Institute.
- 2002 - 2007 **Trounce Records**
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Owner
 Developed small-business, employment and management experience in a retail environment. Planned and organized large-scale benefit events for local and national non-profit organizations.
- 2000 - 2001 **United States Peace Corps**
 Boac, The Philippines
Volunteer
 Developed language and cultural adaptation skills. Worked with teachers and students to develop lesson plans and materials, with emphasis on journalism, creative writing and critical thinking. Developed sustainable livelihood projects.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- 2013 - present **American Civil Liberties Union**
 Milwaukee, WI
Volunteer Legal Observer, Team Leader
 Observes and documents interactions between law enforcement and protesters at public demonstrations, marches and protests. Leads teams of neutral volunteer observers with the goal of increased accountability among law enforcement units.
- 2015 - present **American Red Cross**
 various
Mass Care / Sheltering Associate / Manager
 Deploys to local, regional and national disaster areas, including Hurricanes Harvey and Laura, to establish congregate and non-congregate shelters. Provides, and supervises others in providing, care and support.
- 2011 **Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution, George Mason University**
 Israel, Palestine
Participant
 Worked with a team of graduate and undergraduate students to identify and support positive individual and group agents for change to help them draw and strengthen connections with allies and counterparts within and outside of the conflict.
- Summers
 2004 - 2009 **Legacy International**
 Bedford, Virginia
Counselor, Counselor Trainer

Worked closely with youth from diverse cultural backgrounds, including individuals and groups from Iraq, Indonesia, the United States and other areas of conflict. Trained counseling staff. Planned team-building and conflict resolution activities.

- 2003 - 2010 **Peace Action Wisconsin**
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Steering Committee Member
Served on board of directors for local affiliate as well as the national board in Washington, DC. Organized events, including trips with youth around issues of peace and social justice
- 2003 **Truth, Justice, Peace movement**
Baghdad and Taji, Iraq
Volunteer
Worked with students in pre-war Baghdad to develop cross-cultural connections to students in the United States. Brought student stories back to United States through broadcast media and speaking tours. Defended the right to travel and worked to strengthen cross-cultural ties.

SKILLS

Significant experience living and working with individuals and groups from diverse backgrounds and cultures, as well as experience in project-based environments. Significant experience with organizing and activism.

EDUCATION

- 2008 - 2012 **California State University - Dominguez Hills**
MA in Negotiation, Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding. GPA: 3.9
Coursework included both in-depth work with negotiation, mediation and other ADR processes as well as specialization in conflict resolution with youth, in schools, and in international contexts.
- 1995 - 2000 **Beloit College**
BA in English (Creative Writing) with Certification in Secondary Education. Journalism minor. Related coursework in linguistics, law, comparative education, comparative literature. Edited student newspaper.