

### SPECIAL EVENTS DIRECTOR

Recognized for the ability to effectively develop community relationships, manage projects and provide organizational structure.

- Responsible for the strategic development and implementation of public events held on the Indaba Band Shell.
- Strategic and innovative. I'm not afraid to ask the "why" question. Team motivated.
- I am mission driven and supportive. Confidential and detailed oriented.
- Builds professional relationships with Board of Directors and managing volunteers.
- Provides flexible working hours and strong time management skills.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES--Overview

- Directs and oversees all aspects of securing artistic performers for a community band shell. Cultivates new relationships with sponsors. Project manager who respects working with a marketing team and fund development.
- ♦ Assisted in the daily operations of the café. Greeted customers, managed cash register, stocks merchandise. Served as a relief for the full-time receptionist.
- Provided quality customer service when responding to telephone inquiries. Managed calendar schedules for American Sign Language staff. Prepared payroll and invoicing for billing.
- Managed internal office processes including supplies copiers, phones, reception, mail, conference calls and petty cash, cleaned the office as needed. Received and screened phone calls and visitors; arranged meetings and coordinated special quarterly legislative breakfasts, luncheons and other events. Secured sponsorship funding for special events.
- Provided confidential secretarial and administrative support to the Executive Director and the Board of Directors. Entered vendor billing, payments and prepared checks for payroll bi-monthly. Managed internal office processes including supplies, copiers, phones, reception, mail, conference calls and petty cash.
- ♦ Trained, motivated and facilitated workshops on professional development for disadvantaged job seekers. Senior chief administrator for an annual festival event. Expanded sponsor and donor relationships, generating over one hundred and fifty thousand dollars annually. Managed approximately two hundred volunteers.
- Cultivated relationships with community based organizations, employers, local politicians and the media and developed a consortium of volunteer foster care providers.

#### WORK CHRONOLOGY

Special Events Director, St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care
Café Assistant/St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care, Bucyrus Campus
Office Manager/AFT Local 212, Milwaukee Area Technical College
Program Assistant/St. Charles Youth & Family Services, Inc., Milwaukee
Scheduling Assistant/The Center for Communication, Hearing and Deafness, West Allis
Officer Administrator/African American Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee
Executive Assistant/Fresh Start Family Services, Glendale
Employment Consultant, LTE/UMOS, Milwaukee
Executive Director/African World Festival, Milwaukee
African World Festival (Contracted)

Feb 2019 - Present
March 2018 - Feb 2019
Dec 2014 - Oct 2015
April 2014 - Dec 2014
2012 -June 2013
2010-2012
2009-2010
2008-2009
1999- 2005
Jan-June 2008

# COMPUTER PROFICIENCIES Windows 2007, 2010: MS Word and Excel; Peachtree Accounting

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Research/Grant Writer, African American Association of Commerce of Greater Milwaukee
- *Director of Operations*, Devin Harris Basketball Camp 2007

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
   School of Continuing Education, Non-Profit Management Certificate Program
- Milwaukee Area Technical College, (North) Mequon, WI 53203
   Major: Marketing Management Degree: Associate of Arts and Science

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- ♦ *Milwaukee Community Brainstorming Executive Committee*
- ♦ Martin Luther King Economic Development Corporation, Board Director
- ♦ Kidney Foundation of Wisconsin, Board Member Women of the World Conference Planning Committee
- ♦ American Heart Association, Board Member
- ♦ Northcott Neighborhood House, Board Member
- ♦ Intercession Inc., Board Member
- ◆ Top Ladies of Distinction Incorporated, Milwaukee Chapter Status of Women Chair

# **ACHIEVEMENTS AND HONORS**

- ◆ The Milwaukee Times Newspaper Black Excellence Award Winner for Art in Fashion Design 2016
- ♦ Scholarships: Citizen's Scholarship Fund, General Motors
- ♦ Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
- ♦ Awards: MATC Student Senate Delegate to the National Association of Student Activities, Regional Convention, MATC New Student Ambassador, Career Day Speaker, Organizer of women's support group: A New Vision of Self, MATC, North Campus

# SPECIAL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITIONS

- ◆ Advisory Board Member, Koinonia Family Resource Development Center, St. Matthew Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
- ♦ Co-founder, S.A.F.E., (Singles Anointed, Focused and Empowered), Singles Ministry, St. Matthew Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
- ♦ President, Assemblies of Christ Choir, St. Matthew Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
- Coordinator, Black History Month Program, St. Matthew Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
- ♦ Women Putting Their Stamp on Metro Milwaukee, United States Postal Service
- ♦ Most Involved Employee, Employment Solutions, Incorporated
- Business Entrepreneur, Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. Milwaukee Chapter
- Outstanding Service, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, National Office
- ♦ Certification of Recognition, Stork's Nest Project, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
- Outstanding Women's Day Recognition, Saint Matthew Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
- ♦ Outstanding Dedication, Milwaukee Area Technical College Black Student Union

# **REFERENCES**: Available Upon Request