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Preference on which commission you would like to serve:
* Advisory Commission on Human Resources * Advisory Committee on Police-Community Relations * Fair Employment & Housing Commission

Community Volunteer Experience
Peoria Proud NFP – President and CEO
Peoria, IL July 2013 – Present

- Managing cooperation operations
- File State and Federal Tax Information
- Conducting monthly board meetings
- Coordinate monthly events
- Oversee social media

Renaissance Park Community Association – Diversity and Outreach Chair Peoria, IL July 2014 – Present • Organize Community Outreach Events • Promote RPCA to West Main Street Merchants • Promote RPCA to Residents within West Main Street Neighborhoods

Prairie Pride Coalition – Your Normal LGBT Film Festival Committee Member Normal, IL March 2013 – Present • Film screening and selection • Advertising • Film Festival promotion in the community

Illinois State University LGBT Queer Studies & Resources Institute – Working Group Member Normal, IL March 2012 – Present • Coordinating monthly meeting agenda • Staffing events

Equality Illinois/ Civil Rights Agenda/ Illinois Unites for Marriage/ March on Springfield - Lobbyist Central Illinois April 2013 – September 2013 • Phone Banks • Canvassing • March Planning • March Captain

Corn Stock/ Peoria Players/Community Children’s Theater Peoria, IL February 2007 – Present • Stagehand • Set Construction • Costuming • Lighting • Spot-light • Sound Board Operator • Usher • Interpreter

District 150 – Early Childhood Education Department/ Valeska Hinton Early Childhood Education Center/ Taft Homes Riverview Gardens Preschool Peoria, IL May 2004 – December 2011 • Classroom/Office Aid • Professional Development Team • Strategic Planning Team

Have you previously served on a city commission:

No

If yes, please list which commission and the date of service

Professional and Employment Background

Illinois Safe Schools Alliance

Programing Department – Education and Youth Outreach Coordinator Central and Southern Illinois July 2014 – Current • Provide Alliance Professional Development (PD) in schools and community organizations • Identify schools and communities for PD outreach • Advocate for Alliance PD in those schools and communities • Work with Program Director to develop and provide PD across Central and Southern Illinois • Compile evaluations for all PD sessions • Follow up with schools, districts and communities to assess ongoing PD needs • Communicate with youth involved in the Youth Committee • Arrange details for Youth Committee meetings • Support youth in seeing out goals • Outreach in area GSAs for Youth Committee participation • Research organizations that work substantively with youth as leaders • Begin building relationships with these organizations, working with the Program Director and Education Justice Coordinator • Provide Program Director with a weekly report of activities and required grant reporting

Peoria Housing Authority

Section 8 Department – Eligibility Clerk Peoria, IL April 2013 – November 2013 • Conducting Eligibility Interviews to determining applicants eligibility • Conducting new client briefings • Scheduling and tracking Inspections • Tracking Requests for Tenancy Approval and Rent Increases • Maintaining the Department: ordering office supplies, keeping paperwork in supply and up to date • Committees: Health and Wellness, HOI United Way

Peoria Park District

Gateway Building – Gateway Ambassador

Peoria, IL April 2011 – November 2012

- Host large and small events
- Maintain building
- Set-up and strike for receptions and events

Glen Oak Amphitheatre – Concession Staff Peoria, IL July 2009 – October 2012 • Supervised food preparation and sales • Set-up and strike for Municipal Band concerts • Supervised preparation for 3rd of July Celebration Event • Supervised Return to Hogwarts set construction, and event • Return to Hogwarts Planning Team

Heart of Illinois Special Recreation Association(HISRA) – Program Aid Peoria, Tazewell, and Woodford County Sept. 2009 – April 2011 • Served as liaison to the deaf, and Sign Language Interpreter when needed • Coached as a Special Olympics Assistant in swimming and bowling • Aided programs for recreational and fitness activities • Supported disabled children to participate in Peoria Park District activities

Community Living Villages

WoodView Commons – Resident Assistant

East Peoria, IL November 2011 – March 2012 • Handled leasing information • Planned and implemented resident life programs • Organized resident move-ins • File audits • Key audits • On call

Educational Background

Illinois Central College, Interpreter Preparation Program Interpreter Preparation Certificate May 2012

School involvement:

- Resident Assistant
- Student Interpreter Growth and Networking Club • Interpreter Prep Program Study Group • Understanding Individuality Through Education (UNITE), President

Professional Development:

- NAHRO Housing Choice Voucher Eligibility, Income and Rent Calculation Certificate September 20, 2013 • The Nelrod Company Housing Quality Standards Certificate of Completion October 16, 2013 • Illinois State University, American Sign Language Interpreter Internship January 2012 - May 2012

State briefly why you wish to be considered for a city volunteer commission and what you would hope to accomplish if appointed I believe there is much work needed to create trust of our police department within the LGBT Community. As a member and leader of the LGBT Community I am working towards building such trust. Having an LGBT representative on the Advisory Committee on Police and Community Relations would be proactive if any cases of hate crimes or harassment toward a member of my community were to arise. Having our voice as apart of this committee would be able to help ease tensions, whereas a member of the LGBT community will be present at the Police Chiefs table.

Would your service on a city commission be a conflict of interest for you?; No

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