

JONAH GRAY MURRAY

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SUMMARY

Analytical problem-solver experienced in leveraging data and strategic thinking to develop community-oriented solutions. Proven track record in fostering collaboration and achieving impactful results.

EDUCATION

Texas Christian University | Bachelor of Science, Political Science & Philosophy

AUG 2018 - MAY 2021

- Summa Cum Laude
- Wetzler Award for Achievement in Philosophy, 2021
- McDiarmid Award for Outstanding Paper in Ethics, 2021
- TCU Pillar of Leadership Award, 2020

WORK EXPERIENCE

JBj Management | Government Relations Project Manager, North Texas

OCT 2021 - MAY 2025

- Provided client support in government relations, public engagement, media, and nonprofit capacity building, helping clients establish essential relationships in the community to advance their organizational goals and create positive local impact.
- Spearheaded and managed development of the Fort Worth office, built visibility for the company, and established a robust personal network in the Tarrant County area in the corporate, government, nonprofit, and community sectors.
- Led multiple proposal and RFQ/RFP response writing teams.
- Created and refined an information tracking system to record and track development toward professional goals through activities and relationships, which was adapted into a CRM software for company-wide use.

Mission Partnerships | Fundraising Manager

JULY 2021 - AUG 2021

- Completed an intensive six-week training program to cultivate skills in fundraising, marketing, and business relations in a high-intensity and fast-paced environment; Engaged with the local community to spread awareness about the mission and needs of the Tarrant Area Food Bank, and implemented marketing strategies to achieve fundraising goals.

The Stayton at Museum Way | Front Desk Concierge

JUNE 2020 - JULY 2021

- Provided HIPAA-compliant customer service to residents, staff, and visitors; Managed health emergency situations in cooperation with first responders to ensure the privacy and safety of residents; Enforced state and company health policies to ensure a safe environment during COVID-19.

Texas Christian University

AUG 2019 - MAY 2021

Cultural Connector, Housing and Residence Life | Aug 2020 - May 2021

- Coordinated programs within a residence hall to promote cultural awareness, resident connections, and a welcoming environment.

John Butler Interfaith Fellow, Office of Religious and Spiritual Life | Aug 2019 - May 2021

- Facilitated interfaith activities on campus to engage students, faculty, and staff in learning events, promoting a diverse and interconnected community on campus.
- Received, analyzed, and implemented community feedback to improve university inclusion practices.
- Assisted with diversity training for university staff to prepare them to accommodate students of all identities.

LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

City of Fort Worth | Human Relations Commission

JAN 2024-PRESENT

- Collaborated with fellow Commissioners and City staff to discuss issues, oversee processes, and maintain City awareness and accountability relating to anti-discrimination laws and goals.

North Texas LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce | Queer Professionals Network

JUNE 2023-PRESENT

- Established a local networking group to connect the LGBTQ+ business community of Fort Worth, support the growth of small businesses, and assist individuals in reaching their career goals. Membership grew rapidly to include over 150 members by April 2024; Adopted as an official program of the North Texas LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce in May 2024.

Finn's Place | Board of Directors

FEB 2022-JAN 2025

- Served as the inaugural Board President (Apr 2022 - Jan 2024), and Board Treasurer (Feb 2024 - Jan 2025).
- Led Board and Staff members in setting organizational goals and implementing strategies for success.
- Oversaw development and implementation of community support programs.
- Built relationships with over 50 community organizations.
- Established an annual fundraiser, and secured over \$71,000 in grant funding and donations.

INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE

- **Construction** - General Contracting & MWVSBE Compliance
- **Education** - Public Education Systems; Public/Private Higher Education Systems; Corporate & Public Relations; Academic Major Development; Curriculum Design
- **Healthcare** - Public Health Systems; Community Health Services & Awareness; Healthcare Policy Advocacy
- **Nonprofit** - Public-Private Partnerships; Social, Cultural, & Health Services; Advocacy Organizations
- **Transportation** - Local/Regional Government Corporations

KEY SKILLS

- **Critical Thinking** - Integrate specialized knowledge into policy formation, organizational/system performance analysis, and strategy development.
- **Informatics** - Develop data-driven, interdisciplinary solutions to complex problems.
- **Project Management** - Identify objectives; Develop tactics; Create timelines; Manage implementation; Provide progress/final reports.
- **Stakeholder Engagement** - Identify key stakeholders; Develop tactics to initiate and maintain strong relationships.
- **Systems Advocacy** - Develop and implement tactics to effect change within government systems; Experienced in working with grassroots activism and local/regional advocacy organizations.
- **Written & Oral Communications** - Copywriting; Data management; Data visualization; Discussion moderation; Editing; Graphic design; Interdisciplinary communications; Public speaking; Research; Technical writing.