

JONAH GRAY MURRAY

📧 Government Affairs & Strategic Communications Professional

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SUMMARY

Government and public affairs professional with over five years of experience working with businesses, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies across industries including healthcare, transportation, education, and professional and social services. Analytical problem-solver experienced in leveraging data and strategic thinking to develop community-oriented solutions. Proven ability to foster collaboration and achieve impactful results.

EDUCATION

Master of Public Policy | University of Massachusetts Boston

Sep 2025 - Present

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

Aug 2018 - May 2021

WORK EXPERIENCE

JBJ Management | Government Relations Project Manager, North Texas

Oct 2021 - May 2025

- Provided government relations, public engagement and media support services to help clients achieve strategic organizational goals; Crafted high-quality written and visual materials including reports, newsletters, press releases, media kits, and social media content; Staffed events to promote client-community relations.

Mission Partnerships | Fundraising Manager

July 2021 - Aug 2021

- Completed an intensive six-week work program 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

- Managed front desk operations for a senior living community including resident service, visitor and staff check-in, lobby maintenance, and other administrative duties; Provided friendly, attentive, and HIPPA-compliant service to residents, staff, visitors, and emergency first responders.

Texas Christian University | Interfaith Fellow & Cultural Connector

Aug 2019 - May 2021

- Coordinated and facilitated intercultural programs to promote student belonging; Collected, analyzed, and implemented community feedback to improve university inclusion practices; Assisted with diversity training for university staff and student groups.

KEY SKILLS

- **Research & Academic Writing** - CITI Program Certified
- **Interdisciplinary Communications** - Technical Writing, Copywriting, Graphic Design
- **Data Management** - Entry, Analysis, Reporting, and Visualization
- **Systems Advocacy** - Guide strategic efforts to effect change within government systems; Experienced with grassroots activism and local/regional advocacy organizations
- **Project Management** - Identify objectives; Develop and implement tactics; Provide progress/final reports

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

City of Fort Worth | Human Relations Commission

Jan 2024 - Aug 2025

- Served as a Mayor-appointed member of the Human Relations Commission to discuss issues, oversee processes, and maintain awareness and accountability relating to City anti-discrimination laws and objectives; Collaborated with fellow Commissioners and City staff to provide data-informed, community-oriented solutions.

North Texas LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce | Queer Professionals Network

June 2023 - Aug 2025

- Co-founded 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; Coordinated and hosted monthly events; Created promotional materials including logos, event flyers, and newsletters.

Finn's Place | Board of Directors

Feb 2022-Jan 2025

- Co-founded a nonprofit community center and served as the inaugural Board President (Apr 2022-Jan 2024), and Board Treasurer (Feb 2024-Jan 2025); Established organizational goals and implemented 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.