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Summary

Nonprofit professional with a Master's in Family, Youth, and Community Sciences and a strong background in community engagement, environmental education, and public advocacy. Passionate about conservation and inclusive outreach, with international field experience through a conservation study abroad in Belize.

Certifications & Skills

- Certifications: Introduction to Coral Reef Management The Nature Conservancy (April 2025), Adult Mental Health First Aid (2024), Pediatric CPR, AED & First Aid (2023), 45-Hour Child Care Standards (2022)
- Skills: Program planning, curriculum development, research methods, community outreach, and fundraising (\$8,000 raised in a single campaign)
- Technical Proficiency: Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Publisher, Teams)
- Languages: Bilingual (Spanish and English)

Education

University of Florida — Gainesville, FL

- Master of Science (M.S.) in Family, Youth, and Community Sciences (June 2023)
 - o Concentration: Nonprofit Organization Development
 - Relevant Coursework: Program Evaluation, Fundraising in Nonprofits, Research Methods, Community-Based Interventions
- UF in Belize Program: NGOs, Sustainability & Development (May 2022)
 - o Partnered with local NGOs on conservation and community outreach projects.
 - Conducted field-based program assessments and developed inclusive environmental education strategies.
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Education Sciences (May 2021)
 - o Minor: Innovation
 - o Relevant Coursework: Teaching Diverse Populations, Educational Psychology

Professional Experience

University of Miami – Department of Pediatrics — Miami, FL

Outreach Specialist 3 (April 2024–Present)

- Coordinate public outreach events and represent the department in community settings.
- Build partnerships to connect families with health and wellness resources.
- Assist families in navigating Medicaid applications to support health equity.

Partnership for Strong Families — Gainesville, FL

Academic Enrichment & Support Coordinator (June 2023–April 2024)

- Directed programming at the CHILD Center, engaging families and supervising 15+ volunteers.
- Integrated conservation education into after-school programming.
- Supported and advocated for IEPs/504s to promote academic inclusion.

Academic Enrichment Coordinator (July 2022–June 2023)

- Managed the Strong Kids Afterschool Program, implementing evidence-based curricula.
- Measured educational outcomes through pre- and post-test research methods.
- Collaborated with conservation groups to enhance environmental learning.

Kids Count in Alachua County — Gainesville, FL

Program Assistant (August 2020–July 2022)

- Designed and facilitated educational programming for 1st–5th grade students.
- Created a safe, engaging learning environment and provided academic support.

Volunteer Experience

MOTE Marine Laboratory — *Citizen Scientist* (Ongoing)

- Monitor and report daily beach conditions as part of MOTE Marine Laboratory's Beach Conditions Reporting System.
- Contribute to citizen science efforts by collecting and submitting data on water quality, marine life, and human activity.
- Help inform the public and researchers about real-time coastal environmental changes.

Independent Volunteer — *Community Outreach* (Ongoing)

- Create and distribute care bags containing food, water, and hygiene products directly to individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Engage personally with community members to provide support and build trust.

SWAG Family Resource Center — *Volunteer* (August 2023–March 2024)

• Oversaw community garden, supported food pantry operations, and led fundraising initiatives.

Humane Society of North Central Florida — Volunteer (August 2017–July 2019)

- Participated in trap-neuter-release (TNR) programs for community cats.
- Trained and socialized animals to improve adoption outcomes.