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Relevant Experience

Democratic Party of Georgia, Voter Protection, Atlanta, GA

Voter Protection Associate

September 2020 – Present

- Oversee the Ballot Rescue Program’s phone and text bank outreach for the November 2020 General Election and 2021 Runoff Election. In the General Election, this effort resulted in over 20,000 challenged ballots fixed for Georgia voters. Phone bank video sessions are conducted 3 times daily, with 300 volunteers and resulting in thousands of calls per shift to Georgia voters.
- Create an infrastructure to manage over 4,000 volunteers in the General and Runoff Elections, including volunteers for phone banking, texting banking, and super-volunteers that maximize our virtual outreach to about 50,000 voters to date.
- Develop and implement a system which included a database and website to provide up-to-date information on ballot drop boxes for each of Georgia’s 159 counties, publishing over 350 entries, further promoting Vote By Mail.

Voter Protection Organizer

January 2020 – September 2020

- Managed phone and text banking program and volunteers to connect with thousands of Georgia voters to identify and resolve obstacles to voting as part of the Ballot Remediation project. In Georgia’s June primary, this led to training over 60 volunteers and Vote By Mail application curing for about 3,000 voters.
- Created reports for DPG leadership that tracked weekly phone banking metrics, including volunteers trained, calls made, and successful voter contacts and assists for Vote By Mail application problems.
- Using expertise in voting in Georgia, utilized digital tools to engage new volunteers, educate voters, and highlight work in the state.

Center for American Progress, Washington, D.C.

Research Assistant, Democracy and Government Reform

August 2019 – December 2019

- Conducted and supported research and analysis on academic and legislative issues, such as literature reviews, drafting talking points, columns, papers, charts, tables, and graphs as well as proofreading, fact-checking, and editing leadership reports and public media campaigns.
- Produced and distributed advocacy materials, including issue analyses, blog posts, fact sheets, campaign messages, and campaign strategies.
- Represented Legal Progress in partnerships and coalitions with national and state-level organizations. This included active participation in several working groups in the national judicial nominations coalition.

Organizing Associate, Legal Progress

January 2018 – August 2019

- Designed and implemented communications plans with state and national partners to shape the narrative around the importance of the judiciary, including the strategic use of social media using the Why Courts Matter Facebook and Twitter accounts and columns.
- Managed the 8 Why Courts Matter state partners and their courts-related educational and lobbying activities.
- Coordinated logistics for education and lobbying events, including but not limited to speaker outreach, drafting invitations for hundreds of coalition member organizations, and serving as point of contact for coalition and vendors.
- Led CAP’s involvement in the campaign to oppose the confirmation of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, including organizing 11 total rallies at the Capitol and Supreme Court and the #StopKavanaugh social media campaign.

The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, Washington, D.C.*Field Assistant*

October 2016 – October 2017

- Built and maintained field tracking grids and provided strategic support on priority policy campaigns and issues: judicial and executive nominations, economic security, transportation equity, census, and the Cities for CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women) campaign.
- Developed rapid response plans that included action alerts to engage an average of 9,000 members and stakeholders on key issues including health care and judicial nominations.
- Coordinated meetings, conference calls, and conferences, serving as primary point of contact with over 200 coalition member organizations, and creating and maintaining organizational website and grassroots listservs.

The Leadership Conference Education Fund Intern

September 2016 – October 2016

- Conducted policy research for meetings and briefings on topics including health care and economic security, authored blog posts for website and compiled media clips for Criminal Justice team.

Jewish Women's Connection of Atlanta (JWC), Atlanta Scholars Kollel, Atlanta, GA*Project Manager*

January 2016 – August 2016

- Supervised the creation and distribution of communications related content across various social media and website platforms.
- Implemented use of content management system to improve organizational accountability while acting as event planner.

Skills***Generation Invincible Podcast***

April 2016 – October 2016

- Hosted a public health and social justice podcast targeted towards millennials and Gen Z. Published a total of 20 episodes that averaged approximately 300 plays per episode with listeners from across the world. Topics included racism in healthcare, the anti-vaxxer movement, the opioid epidemic, and more.

Proficient in Microsoft and Google Suites; Votebuilder, LBJ, Mobilize, NGP, Hustle, ThruText

Education and Internships**The University of Georgia, Athens, GA**

August 2011 – July 2015

Bachelor of Science in Health Promotion and Behavior

2015 Service Award in Health Promotion, Zell Miller Scholarship Recipient

Prevent Child Abuse Athens (PCAA) and Athens Regional Midwifery Practice, Athens, GA*First Steps/Healthy Families Intern*

May 2015-July 2015

- Provided new mothers with educational materials and resource referrals on Mother-Baby Unit at Athens Regional Medical Center
- Created an integrated system to screen and register patients at ARMC Midwifery Practice for PCAA's Healthy Families program
- Compiled and tracked immunization rates for PCAA's Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) grant

Hadassah Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel*Academic Research Assistant*

September 2015 – December 2015

- Reviewed academic literature for manuscripts in progress on women's issues in several religious communities.