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Top Skills

Public Health
Program Evaluation
Policy Analysis

Corey Wiggins

Federal Co Chair, Delta Regional Authority
Greater Jackson Area

Summary

Analytical, innovative leader with diverse experiences in public policy, community development, academia, research and community organizing toward aimed toward making opportunity more available to underserved, economically distressed communities in the South

Experience

Delta Regional Authority
Federal Co-Chairman
March 2022 - Present (1 year 5 months)

Mississippi State Conference NAACP
Executive Director
August 2017 - March 2022 (4 years 8 months)
Mississippi

Jackson State University
Adjunct Professor
August 2014 - May 2018 (3 years 10 months)

Hope Policy Institute
Executive Director
September 2015 - August 2017 (2 years)

Hope Policy Institute serves as the policy division of HOPE (Hope Enterprise Corporation and Hope Credit Union). Through independent analysis grounded in the experiences of HOPE's programs and its members, the Policy Institute influences policies that affect the allocation of resources and facilitates an environment to ensure that all people prosper in the Mid South - Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. The Institute's areas of emphasis include:

Budget and Tax
Development Finance
Education & Workforce Development

Financial Inclusion
Health & Health Care
Housing

HOPE's intentional and translational policy approach to advocacy recognizes that while each loan and every account supported by HOPE is important, the effects are small relative to the needs of the region. Only by influencing public policies and the practices of private institutions is lasting, scalable impact achieved.

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

W.K. Kellogg Foundation Community Leadership Network Fellow
April 2014 - May 2017 (3 years 2 months)

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF) convenes the inaugural class of the WKKF Community Leadership Network, marking the foundation's re-entry into leadership development. This group of 120 community-based established and emerging leaders will develop their leadership skills over the three years of the fellowship with the overall aim of helping vulnerable children and their families achieve optimal health and well-being, access to good food, academic achievement and financial security.

To address the issues associated with poverty and racial inequity, the cohort of fellows is composed of an inclusive, intergenerational mix of voices drawn from the community and whose work will be done in the community. The inaugural class brings a diverse set of perspectives and includes clergy members, school principals, tribal leaders, community organizers, youth advocates, a newspaper publisher and a state senator.

The first class includes 24 fellows for each of WKKF's U.S. priority places: Michigan, New Mexico, Mississippi and New Orleans. Another 24 fellows from 15 states and the District of Columbia will focus nationwide on racial equity and racial healing issues.

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF), founded in 1930 as an independent, private foundation by breakfast cereal pioneer, Will Keith Kellogg, is among the largest philanthropic foundations in the United States. Guided by the belief that all children should have an equal opportunity to thrive, WKKF works with communities to help break the cycle of poverty by removing barriers based on race or income that hold back children, so they can realize their full potential in school, work and life.

Mississippi Economic Policy Center
Executive Director
July 2014 - August 2015 (1 year 2 months)
Jackson, MS

The Mississippi Economic Policy Center (MEPC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that conducts independent research on public policy issues affecting working Mississippians. Through public outreach efforts, policy maker education and engaging the media, MEPC uses its analysis to ensure that the needs of low and moderate-income Mississippians, in particular, are considered in the development and implementation of public policy with the ultimate goal of improving access to economic opportunity.

MEPC is managed by the Hope Enterprise Corporation (HOPE), a regional financial institution and community development intermediary dedicated to strengthening communities, building assets and improving lives in economically distressed areas in the Mid South.

Jackson State University
Visiting Assistant Professor
August 2013 - June 2014 (11 months)
Jackson, MS

i-Think Group
Senior Consultant
August 2010 - June 2014 (3 years 11 months)

Joint Legislative Committee on Performance Evaluation and
Expenditure Review (PEER)
Policy Analyst
December 2008 - August 2010 (1 year 9 months)

My Brother's Keeper, Inc
Prevention Specialist
May 2008 - November 2008 (7 months)

University of Alabama at Birmingham
Program Manager
December 2005 - May 2008 (2 years 6 months)

Kaiser Family Foundation

Barbara Jordan Health Policy Fellowship
2004 - 2004 (less than a year)
United States Senate

Education

University of Alabama at Birmingham
PhD, Health Education/Promotion · (2006 - 2011)

University of Alabama at Birmingham
MSPH, Health Policy · (2004 - 2005)

Alcorn State University
Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Biology/Pre-Medicine · (1999 - 2003)