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SKILLS

Leadership

Program Management

Shared Value

Stakeholder Engagement

Communications and storytelling

Critical Thinking

Strategic Planning

Awards and Recognition

2021 Top-500 Sustainability
Thought Leaders in the World, by
American Energy Society

2020 Transformational Leader in
Sustainability, by Wells Fargo

2018 Women of the Decade in
CSR, by Women Economic Forum

EDUCATION

MBA / Sustainable Management

Presidio Graduate School

MS / Env. Studies

San Jose State University

MS / Chemistry

University of San Francisco

Summary

I am a leader with proven experience in sustainability, public policy, and place-based education. I have a strong record of setting ambitious goals, developing strategies, and executing plans. My biggest strength is establishing complex multi-stakeholder engagements and relationships. I have expertise in UN SDGs, public policy, CSR, climate change, equitable food systems, transportation, conservation, and social impact. I am a big idea person with the ability to apply systems thinking to any problem.

EXPERIENCE

Chief Sustainability Officer

University of Texas at Arlington, Texas / January 2010 – Present

- Promote sustainability in operations, academic and research
- Develop and implement strategies to integrate sustainability into the university's long-term strategic planning process.
- Founded Regional Center of Expertise for Education in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)- a program of the United Nations University, and North Texas Food Policy Alliance to support equitable and resilient North Texas.
- Identify and pursue external funding opportunities including managing grant and budgets
- Build multi stakeholder engagements and relationships
- Sustainability reporting using GRI framework
- Expertise in areas such as SDGs, CSR, Climate Change, equitable food systems, conservation, and social impact
- Serve and represent UTA on several Advisory Boards such as the National Academy of Science Board on Higher Education and Workforce Development—Policy and Global Affairs, Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), and Board of Directors for International Council for Local Environmental Initiative (ICLEI USA)

Sustainability Manager

Office of Environmental Quality, City of Dallas / April 2007 – December 2009

- ISO 14001 Implementation
- Education and training on various environmental laws and regulations
- Implementing programs like Dallas Sustainable Skylines initiative in partnership with EPA region 6 and North Central Texas Council of Governments
- Sustainability Action Plan for the city