

Renée Herman Russell

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EDUCATION

Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI

Masters of Social Work, August 2017

Graduated Magna Cum Laude, Phi Alpha-Chi Epsilon Member

Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City, MI

Early Childhood Development Certificate Program, May 2016

Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

Bachelor of Music, May 2001

Graduated Cum Laude

Licensure

State of Michigan, Limited License Social Worker (LLMSW), 2017

SOCIAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Program Coordinator, PEACE Ranch, Traverse City, MI (1/2/16 – 3/1/17)

- Coordinated clinical experiential therapies, volunteer staff, and facility programming.
- Liaison between professional clinical partnerships including Aleda Lutz VHA, Child and Family Services, MDDHS, CMH, and others.
- Managed all organization communications and infrastructure development.
- Managed all outreach and fundraising events.
- Participated in individual assessments and treatment planning for Equine Assisted Psychotherapy.

Social Work Intern, Centra Wellness Network, Benzie County, MI (10/1/16 – 5/31/17)

- Provided student and teacher consultation for in-school crisis prevention services.
- Initiated and facilitated psychoeducational group on regulation for 4-6th graders.
- Participated in individual assessments, treatment planning, and psychotherapy services to children and adults.

Social Work Intern, United Way of NW Michigan, Traverse City, MI (6/1/16 – 5/31/17)

- Organized, promoted, and implemented Day of Caring connecting libraries with local children 0-13 in five counties.
- Organized, promoted, and implemented Days of Action connecting volunteers with non-profit organizations in five counties.
- Created fundraising and implementation template for youth development “Born Learning Trail” for Grand Traverse and Kalkaska.

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Director of Music Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Grand Traverse	2019 - Present
Private Vocal Instructor Frankfort, Traverse City, Los Angeles	2008 - Present
Event Coordinator Groundwork Center, Traverse City, MI	February 2015 – December 2016
Youth Outreach Coordinator Benzie Shores District Library, Frankfort, MI	May 2015 – May 2016
Choir Director Trinity Lutheran Church, Frankfort, MI	March 2014 - September 2016
Finance and Fundraising Director State Representative Campaign, 101 st District	August - November 2014
After School Programs Site Coordinator SEEDS, Traverse City and Frankfort, MI	October 2011-June 2014
Conference Coordinator Great Lakes Bioneers, Traverse City, MI	January - December 2012
Office Manager InsideOUT Writers, Los Angeles, CA	April 2006 - July 2010

SKILLS

Strengths-based therapeutic practices.
Community organization.
Development and implementation of innovative programming.
Organization, promotion and implementation of fundraisers, classes, and special events.
Grant writing, evaluation processes and program reporting.
Youth outreach and program development.
Research and narrative writing.
Budget development and maintenance.
Community partnership development.
Volunteer coordination.
Supervision and training.
Successful print and social media campaigns.
Effective communication and conflict resolution skills.
Working knowledge of Salesforce online database, EZ Reports, Gift Works and NGP.
Developing, creating and maintaining improved databases and program manuals.
Knowledge of Mac/PC Programs including: WORD Suite and Adobe Photoshop.
Administrative liaison for local, state, and federal funding sources.