

Francesca V.

Professional Summary

Community Advocate | Arts Entrepreneur | Civic Leader | Teacher

Dedicated community advocate with experience in community leadership, public engagement, arts participation, and educational programming. Demonstrated ability to collaborate with diverse stakeholders, foster inclusive environments, and support initiatives that strengthen community connections. Passionate about advancing equity, accessibility, and meaningful opportunities for participation among residents of all backgrounds. Brings a strong commitment to public service, lifelong learning, and community-centered leadership.

Leadership & Community Service

Property Management

- Served as an elected representative for community residents and neighborhood interests.
 - Facilitated communication between residents, board members, and management representatives.
 - Participated in governance discussions, policy review, and community decision-making processes.
 - Addressed resident concerns through collaboration, advocacy, and problem-solving.
 - Promoted transparency, accountability, and constructive community engagement.
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Arts, Culture, & Community Engagement

Silhouettes Theatre

Active participant in community theatre productions and arts programming.

- Collaborate with performers, volunteers, directors, and production teams to support theatrical productions and community engagement initiatives.
- Contribute to creative environments that encourage collaboration, inclusion, and artistic expression.
- Support arts programming that strengthens community connections and cultural participation.
- Engage with individuals from diverse backgrounds while fostering teamwork and mutual respect.

Laurel Arts Council

Community member and supporter of local arts and cultural initiatives.

- Participate in programs and events that promote arts education, cultural enrichment, and public engagement.
- Support efforts to expand access to creative opportunities within the community.
- Engage with artists, educators, and community members through local cultural initiatives.
- Advocate for the value of arts and culture as tools for education, connection, and community development.

Community Advocacy & Public Engagement

- Engage in community discussions focused on inclusion, accessibility, and resident well-being.
 - Support initiatives that encourage civic participation and community involvement.
 - Foster welcoming environments where individuals from diverse backgrounds feel respected and represented.
 - Promote collaboration and dialogue among community members and local organizations.
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Education

Howard Community College & Fullerton College

Studies in Art Psychology, Child Development, and Human Services.

- Academic experiences have strengthened skills in leadership, communication, problem-solving, teamwork, and working with diverse populations.

Core Skills & Knowledge

- Community Outreach & Engagement
- Public Service & Civic Participation
- Leadership & Governance
- Public Communication
- Stakeholder Collaboration
- Program Development
- Event Planning & Coordination
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility
- Conflict Resolution
- Relationship Building
- Strategic Planning
- Arts & Cultural Advocacy

Additional Experience**Entrepreneurship & Community Development**

- Exploring community-centered approaches to arts, education, and family engagement through future creative initiatives.
- Researching sustainable models for expanding access to educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities.
- Collaborated organized communities and upcoming artists entrepreneurs for community impact, innovation, and economic development.
- Former President of, Latina Leadership Network - 3 Year Term
- Former President of, Hold On Pain Ends: H.O.P.E Sexual Violence Prevention Group - 4 Year Term
- LGBTQIA+ Representative, Advocate, Ally

Professional Objective

To contribute my experience in community engagement, leadership, arts advocacy, and public service to initiatives that promote inclusion, accessibility, and meaningful participation for all residents. I am committed to supporting efforts that strengthen community connections, amplify diverse voices, and advance equitable opportunities throughout Howard County.