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Top Skills

Public Policy
Community Outreach
Executive Leadership

Honors-Awards

Woman of Achievement
2018 Economic Empowerment
Award
Dorothy I. Height Award
Forest "Treeze" Sharrock Alumni
Award for Community Service
Multicultural Leadership Award

Christie Angel

President and Chief Executive Officer at YWCA Columbus
Columbus, Ohio Metropolitan Area

Summary

Loving Columbus, loving my community and working to improve that community—that has always been a big part of who I am.

When I was 14, I shadowed my father while he met with residents of some of Columbus's most blighted neighborhoods, helping them access funds to buy their first homes, get loans to fix their properties and find services to stretch their paychecks. This ignited my passion to serve, to give voice and visibility to issues that impact women and people of color and shine a light on our neighborhoods and social justice.

It's my goal to create an environment for people—both our YWCA staff and those in the community that we serve—to be their very best. As President and CEO of YWCA Columbus, I share my life experiences and networks to empower those in our community.

Whether it's through services for homeless families in crisis, onsite care for school children, racial equity, skill-building for young women or the next transformative program, I always want to lead by example. I do this by:

- mentoring: guiding those in the organization and those we serve toward achieving their goals
- connecting: partnering with those in the community who need us, and recognizing the partnerships that will strengthen our organization and mission
- transforming: creating an agile culture that will be ready to take on what comes next, whatever the need might arise in our community

I deeply believe in people's ability to change their lives and their community. It's no surprise that I love an underdog—I'm a proud supporter of our Cleveland Browns. Call it optimism, but the scenic drive up north we take each Sunday to watch them with a

hometown crowd cements my faith in hard work, perseverance and transformation.

Specialties include: executive leadership | advocacy | transformational change

Experience

YWCA Columbus

President and Chief Executive Officer

December 2017 - Present (3 years 3 months)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Guide the direction of YWCA Columbus, providing the strategic vision to expand upon the relationships, resources and expertise needed to carry the organization forward. Develop partnerships that support mutual goals. Inspire and develop success in teams, encouraging them to do the same with the people we serve.

Day-to-day responsibilities include:

- determining strategic direction for the organization to ensure we meet and keep pace with the changing needs of Franklin County residents
- secure and allocate resources to address issues of gender and racial inequality in Franklin County
- mentoring to build the next generation of women leaders in the community

Calfee Strategic Solutions

Principal, Government Relations and Public Affairs

2015 - 2017 (2 years)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Served as a strategic legislative, business and public policy advisor to business and nonprofit entities that interact with, are regulated by and/or engage with government at the state and local levels. Consulted and advised on matters related to public policy, economic development, business development and public affairs.

- led multifaceted public policy, philanthropic, community and government relations engagements on behalf of corporate, nonprofit and public sector clients
- built partnerships in new markets, establishing relationships with funders, political and community leaders at each expansion site

- served as a member of Calfee Women Lead, developing and implementing training programs for female law firm associates, promoting the Calfee brand to engage clients and strengthening business network

City of Columbus

Deputy Chief of Staff, External Affairs and Services

2012 - 2015 (3 years)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Key strategic advisor to Columbus Mayor Michael B. Coleman, running the 15th largest city in the nation. Led the mayor's external affairs office including community outreach, constituent engagement and human service policy. Served as the city's chief government relations officer, building and retaining relationships with business and community partners.

- managed eight direct reports that included cabinet directors within the following departments: Development, Public Health, Equal Business Opportunity and the Community Relations Commission
- served as a strategic advisor to the mayor in the following areas: economic and neighborhood development, public health, small business, housing, health and human services and public infrastructure

Sean P. Dunn & Associates LLC

Vice President, Government Affairs

2007 - 2012 (5 years)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Involved in all aspects of client representation in legislative, procurement, administrative and community relations matters.

Managed complex legislative, human resource, public relations, procurement and financial projects on behalf of corporate, government, higher education and non-profit clients. Developed effective employee communications and community engagement plans on behalf of clients. Advised clients on corporate philanthropic strategy.

AT&T

Director of Government and External Affairs

2001 - 2007 (6 years)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Responsible for government relations with the Ohio General Assembly and the City of Columbus, as well as community affairs. Served as state political

director for AT&T, administering the company's political action committee across the state.

City of Columbus

Deputy Chief of Staff, Internal Operations

2000 - 2001 (1 year)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Served as Mayor Michael B. Coleman's deputy chief of staff, directing administrative and financial operations of city government. Guided administration through the city's first budget crisis, created the mayor's community affairs office and managed the mayor's transition from city council to the mayor's office.

City of Columbus

6 years

Legislative Aide – City Council

1998 - 1999 (1 year)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Developed initiatives for city council members for budgetary, business, economic development and community issues. Designed and implemented a budgetary and community relations strategy.

Financial Systems Automation Project Manager, Finance Department

1997 - 1998 (1 year)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Legislative Analyst

1993 - 1997 (4 years)

Columbus, Ohio Area

Education

Franklin University

Master of Business Administration - MBA

Franklin University

Bachelor of Science - BS, Communications