

ASHLEE YOUNG

VICE PRESIDENT POLICY & ENGAGEMENT

CONTACT

HIGHLIGHTS

Selected to serve as external grant viewer for The Health Forward Foundation in Kansas City, Missouri in 2020 and 2021.

Developed relationships with key community stakeholders in order to execute Young Professional agenda in the region

Lead the development and management of evaluation framework for Interact for Health's Opioid portfolio

Selected to join Hamilton County Equity Core team

Developed key grantmaking, equity and evaluation frameworks

Selected to present at Collective Impact Convening 2016, "Moving Equity from Theory to Practice"

Team lead for strategic planning process at Interact for Health

Educated future nurses about community health and engagement as an Adjunct Professor at Mount St. Joseph University

Lead Evaluator and technical assistance provider for place-based work at Interact

EDUCATION

MASTERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Wright State University

Bachelor of Science
The Ohio State University

EXPERIENCE

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Interact for Health | Cincinnati, Ohio | April 2022 - Present

- Leads policy and engagement strategy
- Engages leaders and community stakeholders to strengthen regional progress toward health equity
- Leads grantmaking efforts to advance health justice in the region

VICE PRESIDENT POLICY AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Urban League of Greater Southwestern Ohio | Cincinnati, Ohio | March 2021- Present

- Led COVID-19 community response efforts (i.e., testing site, vaccination POD)
- Led the development and execution of ULGSO's policy and advocacy framework which focused on systemic and equitable policy change
- Oversaw special initiatives, including Covid-19 related initiatives that promoted equitable access to healthcare, education, and housing

MANAGER COMMUNITY STRATEGIES

StrivePartnership | Cincinnati, Ohio | Oct. 2018- March 2021

- Designed and lead regional community engagement efforts
- Collaborated with marketing and communication experts to develop strategy to inform community about education in the region
- Institutionalized policies and practices that advance racial equity and social justice
- Lead, designed and implemented strategies that identify, mobilize and magnify community assets
- Managed projects related to the exploration of the Education Ecosystem

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Child Poverty Collaborative | Cincinnati, Ohio | Jan 2018- Oct. 2018

- Lead efforts around community engagement, evaluation and strategy development
- Engaged over 20 local non-profits in identifying strategies to address poverty

EVALUATION OFFICER

Interact for Health | Cincinnati, Ohio | June 2014 - January 2018

- Coordinated grantmaking and organizational evaluation and learning
- Designed, implemented, and monitored evaluation strategies and plans for grantmaking portfolios totaling over \$1 million and catalyst activities
- Identified and implemented opportunities to build strategic learning agenda
- Collaborated with teams to identify, synthesize, and share lessons learned from grantmaking
- Identified internal cross-team strategic opportunities and promote opportunities for leveraging work across teams and grantees
- Managed evaluation budget
- Supported planning and implementation of quarterly learning collaborative for place-based community work at Interact

HEALTH EDUCATOR

Hamilton County Public Health | Cincinnati, Ohio | Nov 2013-May 2014 & Jan 2012-June 2012 (contractor)

- Facilitated county-wide mobilization for policy, systems and environmental changes through WeTHRIVE! Initiative
- Managed and organized WeTHRIVE! Learning Collaborative which offers training and capacity building opportunities for communities
- Assisted communities with the completion of the Community Health Assessment and Group Evaluation (CHANGE Tool) and provided recommendations

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COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Board Member , Ensemble Theatre Cincinnati	Nov. 2022 - Present
Board Member , Cincinnati Health Department	March 2022 - Present
Board Member , Delta Gateway Foundation	Sep. 2019 - Present
Member , Queen City (OH) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated	May 2019 - Present
Board Secretary , MORTAR	Aug. 2018 - Present
Board Trustee and Finance Committee Member , Hamilton County Mental Health & Recovery Services	Oct 2017 - Present
Equity Chair , City of Cincinnati Green Cincinnati Plan	April 2022 - March 2023
Board President , Design Impact	Jan 2017 - Dec. 2021
Executive Vice President , National Urban League Young Professionals	Aug. 2019 - Dec. 2021
Advisory Committee Member , State Health Assessment and State Health Improvement Plan Advisory Committee	Dec. 2018 - Jan. 2020
Southwest Regional Board Member , Children's Hunger Alliance	Oct 2012 - Dec. 2017
Programs Chair , National Urban League Young Professionals	July 2017 - Aug. 2019
Board Trustee , Urban League of Greater Southwestern Ohio	Aug 2014 - Dec. 2017
President , Urban League Young Professionals Greater Southwestern Ohio	Oct 2014 - June 2017

AWARDS

MAKING BLACK HISTORY HONOREE

Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber | February 2021

WOMEN OF IMPACT NOMINEE

American Heart Association | February 2021

CINCINNATI BUSINESS COURIER

40 under 40 Award | August 2020

ASHLEE YOUNG PILLAR OF THE COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENT

Urban League Young Professionals Greater Southwestern Ohio | April 2019

AFFIRMED AWARD RECIPIENT

Urban League Young Professionals Greater Southwestern Ohio | April 2019

BRIGHT AWARD RECIPIENT

Cincinnati Herald and African American Regional Chamber | May 2017

RISING STAR AWARD RECIPIENT

Cincinnati YWCA | 2015

JOURNEY AWARD RECIPIENT

Urban League of Greater Southwestern Ohio | Sep 2015

30 UNDER 30 RECOGNITION

National Society of Health Educators | 2014