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Summary

Diverse experience within the food system—from wrangling sheep to managing farmers markets and CSA programs to conducting research and developing farm business development curriculum. Organized, detail-oriented, and committed to moving towards a food system that is more healthful, more sustainable, and more just.

Food System Experience

Western Montana Growers Cooperative

CSA Program Manager, May 2018 – January 2021

- Created and implemented yearly marketing plan.
- Actively guided ~500 members through registration process and onboarding each season.
- Engaged participating farms throughout season to ensure smooth program delivery.

Missoula Farmers' Market, Missoula, MT

Market Manager, 2018; Assistant Market Manager, 2017

- Recruited vendors and managed application process and onboarding.
- Implemented nutrition incentive program.
- Operated market—trained and directed staff, assisted vendors/customers, maintained financial reports.

Community Food & Agriculture Coalition, Missoula, MT

Independent Contractor, March 2017 – March 2018

- Conducted outreach to increase participation in federal farming assistance programs among underrepresented populations.
- Developed curriculum for farm business development workshop series.
- Conducted evaluation of flagship offering (farm job listing platform and resource center Farm Link Montana).

Blue-Eyed Dog Farm, Missoula, MT

Farm Assistant, 2017 Season

- Assisted with all farm operations (planting, harvesting, packing produce for CSA members, etc.).

Research & Evaluation Experience

Olasiti Village Council

2009

- Designed and conducted project to identify barriers to political participation in Olasiti Village, Tanzania and make recommendations for improving participation among low-participation groups.

100 Projects for Peace Grant Recipient, Davis Projects for Peace

2008

- Awarded \$10,000 to work with Criamar Orphanage, in Ceilândia, Brazil to evaluate and improve educational outcomes.

Relevant Community Involvement

Missoula City-County Food Policy Advisory Board
Member, May 2020 – present

Eat Smart Coalition
Member, November 2017 – present

Beginning Farmer & Rancher Committee
Member, January 2018 – present