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Objective

Share in the joy, wonder, and dynamic love of shared ministry within covenanted Unitarian Universalist congregations.

Ministry

SETTLED MINISTER, Borderlands Unitarian Universalist, Amado, AZ - 2016-PRESENT

DEVELOPMENTAL MINISTER, Borderlands Unitarian Universalist, Amado, AZ - 2013-2016

Integrating congregational goals and ministerial dynamics; Deepening spiritual foundation; Leading innovative restructure of organization; Growing community connections with local churches, youth center, and direct humanitarian aid groups; Expanding relationships with congregations of the Baja 4 in Southern Arizona.

MINISTER, UU Church of Riverside, Riverside, CA - 2003-2013

Evolved part-time consulting to full-time settled; Clarified healthy congregational systems; Crafted wholistic, multigenerational programing; Established interfaith relationships in Inland Congregations United for Change; Broadened justice outreach locally, statewide, and nationally.

CONSULTING MINISTER, UU Church of Anaheim, Anaheim, CA - 2004-2005

Oriented on spirit filled worship and workshops naming the potential and pitfalls of family size congregational life, quarter-time..

TRAUMA RESPONSE MINISTER, Pacific Southwest District - 2011-PRESENT

Guided UU congregations through spiritual and emotional triage following local community crisis including Tucson, AZ, Prescott, AZ, and Camp deBenneville Pines.

Education

Laughter Yoga: Facilitator Training, Laughter Yoga International, online - 2021

Mental Health First Aid to Youth, American Camping Association - 2019

Developmental Ministry Conference, UUA, Minneapolis, MN & Denver, CO - 2013 & 2014

Coaching for Staff Supervision, UUMA Coaching Program - 2012-2013

Sabbatical, Focus: Our Covenant of Sustainability, Southern California - 2013

Andover Newton Theological School, Masters of Divinity, Newton Center, MA - 2001

Hamline University, Bachelors of Arts with Honors, Cum Laud, St. Paul, MN - 1995

Experience

GOOD OFFICER - 2017- PRESENT

Serving colleagues and congregations in the PSWD Chapter of the UU Minister's Association to resolve conflict and improve shared ministry.

BOARD MEMBER

Revised traditional relationships with boards to launch a new future for congregations; Represented district at congregational celebrations.

Pacific Southwest District – 2012-2017

UU Justice Arizona Network – 2014-2019

EXECUTIVE TEAM, PSWD Chapter of the UU Minister's Association

Coordinated UUA, UUMA and Executive team responsibilities to address collegial covenant and community needs.

President - 2012-2014, Vice President - 2011-2012

ANTI-OPPRESSION TRAINING

Ongoing study of systems of oppression toward collective liberation love and wisdom; Deepening personal understanding and learning active dismantling strategies

BELOVED CONVERSATIONS: Within & Among phases, online - 2019- PRESENT

RESPONDING TO THE CALL: Supporting White Anti-Racist Spiritual/Faith Leaders-2021

HARD CONVERSATIONS: An Intro to Racism, online - 2015

Experience

FACILITATION

Composed original workshops to motivate teams and communities to integrate experiences, deepen faith, and interdependent trust.

"The Journey Forward: Staff Retreat," UU Church of Phoenix - 2016

Innovative Learning Circle: Developmental Ministry - 2015-2016

Covenant of Right Relations, Sky Island UU Congregation, Sierra Vista, AZ - 2015

Webinar, "Worship in Small Congregations: Technology," PWR - 2013

"Come, Connect, Commit, Covenant," PSWD Assembly - 2011 & 2012

MENTOR

Empowered three UUMA Candidates through individual journeys to deepen their call to ministry; Supervised and co-supervised ministerial interns; Expanded understanding of personal ministry.

Ministerial Intern, Borderlands UU & UU Church of Tucson - 2020-2021

In Care Program, Star King School for the Ministry - 2015-2017

In Care Program, PSWD Chapter, UUMA - 2013-2014

Ministerial Intern, UU Church Riverside -2011-2013

COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Synthesized research and relationships to transform cries for justice into grassroots action.

Coordinator Justice District Assembly, Pacific Southwest District - 2016-2017

**Leader, "Un Corazon, Muchos Voces" Listening Campaign, Amado, AZ
- 2013-PRESENT**

Advocate, PICO National Network, California and Washington DC - 2010-2013

CAMP DeBENNEVILLE PINES PROGRAM STAFF

Enlivened camp traditions through pastoral presence, "C4" model of interdependence, and joy at gathering Unitarian Universalists in weekend and weeklong programs.

Dean, Senior High Camps - 2019-2020

PSWD Camping Ministries Team Member - 2010-2020

Co-Dean with Stephanie Funke Crary, Summer Family Camp - 2015-2018

Chaplain, PSWD Elementary, Middle, Senior High & Family Camps - 2009-2014

Keynote Speaker, "What's Going On?" PSWIRL - 2012

LOCAL VOLUNTEER

Integrated family's interests in playful support and service to local community.

Town Crier, Wild Wild West Steampunk Con, Tucson, AZ - 2012- PRESENT

Backstage Supervisor, Dancing in the Streets, AZ - 2013 - 2015

Assistant Coach, American Youth Soccer Organization, Tucson, AZ - 2015

References

Available upon request.