Sarah Mersereau-Adler Resume

Professional and Executive Competencies

- Executive Leadership: strategy development and execution; human resource management, budget development and execution, internal controls; cultivation of partnerships; marketing and public relations
- Program/Project Management: collaboration with stakeholders; program design, staffing, budget, execution, evaluation; integration with related programs; sustainability
- Grants: research, writing, management, evaluation
- Policy Development and Advocacy: research, collaboration with stakeholders, policy development, organization/client representation
- Communication: command of grammar, writing, process facilitation, public speaking

Professional Experience

Feb. 2017 – present	Principal, Silver State Government Relations
Aug. 2009 – Jan. 2017	Nevada State Director, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development
Aug. 2008 – Aug. 2009	Grants and Special Projects Manager, Carson City School District
Jan. 2008 – June 2008	Dean of Eagle Valley Middle School (Administrative Internship)
Aug. 2002 – Jan. 2008	Language Arts Teacher, Carson High School, CCSD
June 1993 - Aug. 2000	Nevada State Director, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development
Feb. 1986 - June 1993	Co-Director, Rural Program, Nevada Commission on Economic Development
Sept. 1984 – Feb. 1986	Deputy Director and Small Business Loan Packager Nevada Office of Community Services
Jan. 1982 - May 1983	Graduate Assistant, University of Nevada, Reno
Sept. 1980 - Sept. 1981	VISTA Volunteer with Advocates to End Domestic Violence

Education	
2002- 2008	Continuing education courses and 12 University of Nevada, Reno Education Leadership courses, resulting in Secondary Administration credential
2000 – 2002	Teacher Education Degree Program, Sierra Nevada College, resulting in Teacher Licensure and secondary certification in English Language Arts
May, 1986	University of Nevada, Reno, Masters in Public Administration
June, 1980	Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts

Civic Engagement

Founding Board Member and President, NAMI Western Nevada Affiliate

Board Member, Healthy Communities Coalition

Member, League of Women Voters

Member, Muscle-Powered for a Walkable and Bikeable Carson City

Member, Carson Valley Trails Association