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- EDUCATION** St. Edward's University - Austin, Texas
Bachelor of Art's: Criminal Justice
December, 1989
- Sul Ross State University - Alpine, Texas
Master's Degree in Education, with an emphasis in Counseling
December, 1995
- LICENSE AND CERTIFICATION** The Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors
Authorized and licensed as a Licensed Professional Counselor,
July, 27, 1998.
- WORK EXPERIENCE** County Judge
Brewster County, Texas
January, 2015 -- present
Judicial Responsibilities
- Preside over County Court misdemeanor matters
 - Preside over Probate Court
 - Preside over Juvenile Court matters
 - Preside over Commissioners Court
- Administrative Duties
- Chief budget officer
 - Designated official over all federal and state grants
 - Community outreach
 - Designated contract signer on all County agreements
- Business Health Services - Baltimore, Maryland
Trainer
December, 2008 – present (as-needed)
- Have provided suicide prevention training to Homeland Security Supervisors at the Marfa Sector.
- Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas
Counseling and Advising Center
Therapist / Academic Advisor
August, 2006 – present
- Advise incoming college freshmen and facilitate registration
 - Provide individual psychotherapy to student population and
 - Provide chemical dependency counseling, via group setting
 - Provide marriage and family therapy
 - Serve on various committees within the student services area
- Nueva Luz Counseling Services, Alpine, Texas

Sole Practitioner

Therapist

March, 2005 – present (part-time since August, 2006)

- Provide individual and group psychotherapy to adults and juveniles
- Provide chemical dependency counseling to adults and juveniles
- Provide marriage and family therapy
- Deliver contract services to various agencies; ie, CPS, Crisis Ctr., etc.
- Conduct outdoor / adventure based therapy services

Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas

Upward Bound Program

Project Director

October, 1999 – March, 2005

- Plan, direct, and implement all grant activities
- Recruit, select, and supervise project staff
- Manage project budget
- Develop programs and services to meet the needs of project participants
- Serve as project liaison to community, federal, state, and local Government agencies
- Make onsite visits to target schools in Alpine, Marfa, Presidio, Van Horn, Balmorhea, and Ft. Stockton
- Coordinate with SRSU staff, including Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Services
- Prepare and submit Annual Performance Report to the US Department of Education
- Research, prepare and submit proposals for renewal of project funding

Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas

Title III-HSI Program

Student Intervention Specialist

June, 1998 - September, 1999

- Develop and pilot programs designed to increase SRSU student retention
- Collaborate with SRSU Student Services personnel in an effort to support and incorporate Title III pilots with current institutional efforts to increase student retention and success
- Provide counseling services to SRSU students, faculty, and staff

Big Bend State Operated Community Services; Child and Adolescent Program Services, Alpine, Texas

Program Director

November, 1996 - May, 1998

- Coordinated child / adolescent services within the Community Services Division
- Provided or contracted for direct services to children and adolescents within the Community Services Division
- Provided supervision and evaluated CAPS service providers

Big Bend Community MHMR Services, Alpine, Texas

Intake Coordinator / Counselor / Case Manager

August, 1994 - October, 1996

- Screened individuals requesting services
- Provided individual counseling
- Assist clients to access inner and outer agency services

The High Frontier, Ft. Davis, Texas

Youth Counselor

April, 1994 - July, 1994

- Assigned to supervise 15 male juveniles
- Initiated and facilitated individual and group therapy
- Utilized the Positive Peer Culture as the primary therapeutic approach

Travis County Juvenile Court, Austin, Texas

Residential Treatment Officer

January, 1993 - March, 1994

- Evaluated the progress of residents housed in the Observation and Assessment Unit
- Provided and facilitated individual and group counseling
- Utilized the Positive Peer Culture as the primary therapeutic approach

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Alpine Independent School District, Alpine, Texas

School Board Trustee – Elected; May, 2005 - present

Brewster County Child Welfare Board, Alpine, Texas

Appointment; September, 1995 - present;

Board Chair - September, 1997 - September, 1999

Big Bend Child Advocacy Center, Alpine, Texas

Appointment; September, 1998 - present

Board of Directors' Member - February, 1999 - present

Our Lady of Peace Parish Council, Alpine, Texas

Elected; March, 1996 - 1998