

# Candidate Information

## City of Olympia | Capital of Washington State

### **Inspire Olympia Ad Hoc Committee Candidate Information**

		Candidate	Information				
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#### **Interest and Experience**

Please introduce yourself to the Olympia City Council and share with them why you are interested in being considered for this assignment. Keep answers concise. You may attach a resume.

#### 1. Statement of Interest

As the new Director of Community Programs for Community Foundation of South Puget Sound, I am excited to get to know the new communities in which I will be working. I have extensive experience as a grantee and now currently as a grantmaker the last four years. My focus has been centered on building trust-based practices that remove barriers in the grantmaking process and increase access for individuals, coalitions, networks, and organizations to enhance the work they are already doing to continue to improve and serve people in our community. I would be thrilled to have the opportunity to serve on this committee and continue the work I am so passionate about with the City of Olympia. Thank you for your time.

#### 2. Statement of Relevant Experience

As Senior Program Officer at Greater Tacoma Community Foundation serving Pierce County, I have extensive experience serving on and implementing various sized grant programs. I led our community grant programs called Spark Grants providing \$1500 microgrants to individuals wanting to better our community. I also was the project manager and lead for the 2020 Census grant funding applying for funds with OFM and managed more than \$1.6M in funding to support Pierce, Kitsap and Mason Counties. I was the co-lead for the Pierce County Connected grant funding committee that moved out more than \$7M to support nonprofit organizations during the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic. I also have extensive experience working with other philanthropic and government entities across the state supporting bridge loans and collaborative grant efforts. In my role at the Community Foundation of South Puget Sound, I will lead the organization's grantmaking and community impact programs.

3. Do you or any of your family members work for or serve on the board of directors of any organization which
may contract with or apply for funding from the City of Olympia? Do you anticipate any involvement of this kind in
the future? If yes, please describe the relationship.

No.

