# PATRICIA (PATTY) **THISTLE**



### **SUMMARY**

Passionate nonprofit professional with a strong work ethic, adaptability, and exceptional interpersonal and communication skills. Proven experience in recruitment, relationship building, and project management on various scales.

# **EXPERIENCE Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator | Big Brothers Big Sisters Eastern MA (BBBSEM)**

August 2023 – Present Boston, MA

- Develop and maintain relationships with local corporations, colleges/universities, and community organizations to recruit potential volunteer mentors.
- Lead frequent engagement events across the Greater Boston area such as lunch and learns and on-site tabling to spread the mission of BBBSEM: the power of uplifting youth through mentorship.
- Recruitment of over 500 volunteer inquiries to date. Collaborate with Boston companies to sign contracts and foster strong partnerships, promoting the state's top 1-to-1 mentorship agency for kids.
- Create innovative initiatives such as language, slide decks, and visual content for engagement with professional partners to further boost brand awareness.

# Stabilization Mentor for Mothers & Families | Economic Mobility Pathways (EMPath) 2022-2023 Brighton, MA

- Supported 25-30 formerly homeless families in transitioning from shelter to independent living.
- Developed strong client relationships to overcome systemic challenges and facilitate access to crucial community resources including public benefits, transportation, healthcare access, and childcare.
- Maintained confidential, accurate records of client progress and interactions according to agency and state standards

## **AmeriCorps VISTA Intern- Community Event Planning | The Neighborhood Developers**

June-August 2022 Chelsea, MA

- Planned and coordinated community-building events and celebrations to reconnect neighborhoods in Boston after the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Managed and accessed databases such as Salesforce, Microsoft, and Google Suites, ensuring efficient planning and data management.
- Developed partnerships with local businesses to support events.

#### **EDUCATION**

## Sociology, Women and Gender Studies | Dickinson College

2018-2022 Carlisle, PA

- Graduated Cum Laude, Dean's List Spring 2022
- lota lota lota National Women and Gender Studies Honor's Society- Selected for membership in January 2022 based off academic achievements
- · Relevant courses: Sociology of Gender Violence, Health Studies, Global Inequalities, Race & Ethnicity

### **SKILLS**

- · Email & outreach copy
- Salesforce
- Microsoft and Google Suites
- Partnership formation & development, Recruitment
- · Public Speaking

- Excellent Communication and Interpersonal Skills
- Strategic Planning