

# SHANNON GRANVILLE HARDIN

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## Professional Summary

- Public service professional with eight years of executive government and political advocacy experience.
- Skilled in creating public policy with a focus on community development and social services.

*Community Outreach  
Strategic Planning*

*Community Development  
Event Planning*

*Public Relations  
Problem Solver*

*Crisis Management  
Task Oriented*

## Professional Profile

Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority

*Associate Vice President, Planning and Development (9/2014-Present)*

- Prepares, presents and provides information on CMHA activities, accomplishments and needs to Federal, State and Local partners.
- Conducts CMHA outreach liaison with OHFA, OHAC, MAHMA, CAA, CSB etc.
- Represents the Vice President and CMHA in planning activities and redevelopment of CMHA sites.

City of Columbus

*External Affairs Manager, Office of Mayor Michael B. Coleman (3/2012-9/2014)*

- Managed Mayor's relationship with **United States Conference of Mayors** which allowed the City to showcase and learn best practices from Peer Cities across the Country.
- Managed relationship with Columbus Urban League in executing the city's \$440,000 investment in the **African American Male Initiative**, with programs including the Father to Father initiative and Choose to Change.
- Launched and maintained the Mayor's Ex-offender work program, **Restoration Academy**. \$280,000 annual program that gives a second chance to restored citizens by way of paid internships within the City of Columbus.
- Developed the **Columbus Volunteer Challenge** in partnership with the United Way of Central Ohio, the premiere annual volunteer experience in Columbus, Ohio. More than 40,000 Central Ohioans have participated since its inception.
- Represented the City on **Partners Achieving Community Transformation** Executive Board. Developed master plan for redevelopment, participated in extensive community outreach, created PACT CDC. Secured \$30 million Dept. of HUD grant for project implementation.
- Restructured the Mayor's Young Professionals organization, **Create Columbus Commission**. Transitioned to lead Young Professional entity in City, dispersing an annual \$60,000 plus in YP innovation grants.
- Served as the **LGBT liaison**, ensuring Columbus LGBT community has voice in Mayor's office and captured a score of 100 on the Human Rights Campaign Municipal Equality Index. Worked to secure Transgender health benefits for City of Columbus employees.
- Managed relationship with **African American Mayors Association**, which allows Mayor to share best practices with peer Mayors from around the country.

*Community Affairs Coordinator, Office of Mayor Michael B. Coleman (3/2010-3/2012)*

- Managed **Mayor's Religious Advisory Commission**, hosting bi-annual faith meeting and annual Prayer service.
- Successfully provided **Constituent Services**, by way of calls, emails, and direct meetings.
- Created the **Coalition for a Nonviolent Columbus**, a coalition of community, faith, and safety leaders dedicated to grassroots neighborhood safety practices

- and techniques. Has awarded over \$160,000 since its inception.
- Developed **Mayor Mike Coleman's City Readers Program**. A summer reading program for males 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Developed **Applications for Purpose Pride and Success (APPS)**, an anti gang and youth development program. Currently funded at \$4.5 million dollars.
- Provided **staffing** for Mayor at community events.

#### Issue One Campaign

*Deputy Director of Field Operations, (4/2009-8/ 2009)*

- Successfully passed income tax levy.
- Developed and implemented Senior Citizens and African American outreach strategies.
- Organized off-campus campaign activities, such as parades and community festivals.
- Directed campaigns Get Out The Vote efforts.

#### Paid Internships

##### Fiscal Intern

*City of Columbus Division of Public Utilities (Summers 2007 &2008)*

- Created spreadsheets of city water and sewer contracts
- Audited water and sewer contracts
- Created Bid Proposals

##### Legislative Affairs Assistant

*Atlanta Mayors Office, (1/2007-12/2007)*

- Attended committee meetings at Georgia State Capital
- Wrote briefs pertinent to legislative sessions
- Recommended action on certain pieces of legislation

#### Educational Achievements

Morehouse College, Atlanta Ga.

**Political Science**, minor International relations 2009

University of the Virgin Islands

**Global Leadership institute**, summer 2008

United States International University Of Nairobi, Kenya

**International Studies**, Fall 2007

#### Recognition

*Who's Who in Black Columbus*, Interesting Personalities 2014

*City Pulse*, Young Professionals to Know

*Columbus CEO Magazine*, Up and Comers

#### Professional Development

Congressional Black Caucus Institute Bootcamp

City Training: Critical Thinking, Assertive Communication, Managers Training

Experience Columbus, Certified Tourism Ambassador

#### Organizations and Affiliations:

Young Democrats of America

Ohio Democratic Party

KidsVoting Central Ohio, Board of Directors

IMPACT Community Action Agency, Board of Directors

Big Brothers Big Sisters, African American Advisory Board

Young Democrats, Immediate Past Vice President

#### References furnished upon Request