



MONICA HUNASIKATTI

I am a trauma-informed housing and food advocate for members of the LGBTQ+ community who have experienced domestic and intimate partner violence. In addition to engaging in community collaboration and training in de-escalation tactics, I am an expert in collection development and curation. I hope to combine these skills into libraries to create more culturally aware and accessible public spaces.

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Richmond, Virginia

Education

● Master of Library and Information Studies

University of Wisconsin-Madison
2018-2020

Madison, Wisconsin

● Bachelor of Arts

Virginia Commonwealth University
2011-2015

Richmond, Virginia

Highlights

- Casework Management
- Expert emergency housing, social services, and financial assistance coordinator
- 10+ years managing social media and marketing for small nonprofits and libraries
- Excellent emotional support skills for clients experiencing crisis

Languages

- English
- Telugu
- American Sign Language

Experience

● Housing Case Manager

Virginia Home for Boys and Girls Mar 2024 - Present

- **Maintains case management records in Electronic Client Record (Apricot)**
- **Maintains program structure to ensure equality and equity of services**
- **Provides education and support through teaching skills needed**
- **Provides independent living skills coaching related to housing**
- **Connects youth to community resources to meet identified needs**

● Housing Advocate

Side by Side Sep 2023 - Jan 2024

- **Served as a primary point of contact for clients experiencing housing instability**
- **Accurately documented client notes, interactions, services provided, and benchmarks to the Trax Solutions Database**
- **Linked youth with supportive community programs (mental health services, food banks, and housing programs)**

● Survivor Community Specialist

The Virginia Anti-Violence Project June 2022 - Aug 2023

- **Managed individual caseload of clients experiencing domestic and sexual violence within the LGBTQ+ community**
- **Connected clients to emergency housing, transportation, one-on-one counseling, and basic necessities**

● Librarian

Bryant & Stratton College June 2021 - Jan 2022

- **Supervised the circulation desk, curated selections for campus, weeded out irrelevant books from collection**
- **Created educational resources regarding ADA policies on campus, Gender Identity, and Library Usage**
- **Managed and updated Richmond Campus' LibGuides Website**
- **Assisted students with academic work and resume building**
- **Facilitated academic workshops**
- **Managed social media and marketing for all library-related events**

● Community Outreach Analyst

Rescuing Leftover Cuisine Sep 2015 - Oct 2016

- **Supervised operations of 100+ volunteers, rescuing over 15,000 pounds of food per month for the homeless in New York City**
- **Coordinated operations, volunteers, interns, and recruitment to maximize efficiency in transporting perishable inventory from donor organizations to homeless shelters and soup kitchens**
- **Managed media, publicity, social media presence, and day-to-day administrative tasks**
- **Worked directly with the CEO and Board of Advisors on outreach strategy to volunteers, donors, and charities**