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Profile:

I am a friendly, loyal and dedicated individual who has the ambition to succeed in any given environment. Although I have experience in organizational development, I have the devotion to learn, and I am always up to a challenge whatever the situation. I get along well with others and work efficiently on my own.

Education:

Graduated Central High School, Providence, RI 1961

Work Experience:

United States Army National Guard 1965-1975 – Rank, Specialist Fifth Class Trained in Heavy Equipment Operation – cranes, bulldozers, graders, dump trucks, 5 & 10 ton low bed tractor-trailers

Truck driver various companies -1961-1985

Drive, unload, load tractor-trailers and operate forklifts. Wooster Express, 1961-1970/Lombard Bros., 1970-1972, Smith's Transfer 1972-1985

Volunteer & Call system Fire Fighter, North Providence, RI Fire Department – 1970-1985

Centredale & Marieville. Drive & operate fire equipment- Fire Engine, Ladder truck & Rescue Squad Trained in advanced first aid and CPR

Organized & Helped To Charter the Teamsters Local 251 Retirees Chapter, East Providence, RI – 1987-1988 Locate retired Teamsters Local 251 members, format and mail a letter explaining the new retiree organization, setting up the initial organizational meeting.

Recording Secretary, Teamsters Local 251 Retirees Chapter, East Providence, RI – 1990-1992

Record minutes of membership & Executive Board meetings, send & receive correspondence, track and record yearly membership renewals on Access data base.

President, Teamsters Local 251 Retirees Chapter, East Providence, RI – 1992-2009

Day to day operation of retirees chapter, attend meetings, lobby for legislation, pension reform, health care services. Co-developed dental, eye and health care programs for members. Created & published a monthly retirees chapter newsletter.

Founder & President, New England Coalition of Teamster Retiree Chapters, East Providence, RI – 1992-2009

Create a unified voice for Teamster retirees throughout New England. Create a bridge between the Coalition members and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in Washington, D. C... Organize rallies, meetings, lobby for legislation beneficial to Coalition members on pension & health care matters.

Member, Constitute Advisory Board, United Health Care of New England, Warwick, RI – 1992-1994 Work with doctors and health care professionals to better understand the needs for UHCNE subscribers.

Constitute Member, IRB Rogers Williams Medical Center, Providence, RI – 2001-2004 Read therapy protocol language to insure participants understood the treatments they were involved in.

Founder & President, New England Association of Labor Retirees, North Providence, RI – 2001-present

Organize rallies, lobby for legislation on health care, pension reform, make all labor retirees eligible for eye, dental and health care programs. Co-Created HealthLink Wellness an early detection and prevention program for retirees.

President, Rhode Island Alliance for Retired Americans, North Providence, RI – 2001-present

Educate Alliance members on the effects of Social Security & Medicare legislation. Lobby for legislation in Rhode Island to help members live a productive life. Co-Founded HealthLink Wellness program, now called RI ARA HealthLink Wellness. Helped to create the Rhode Island Best Rx legislation for residents with no prescription drug coverage.

Member, Rhode Island AFL-CIO Executive Board, Providence, RI – 2004-present

Attend meetings to report on Alliance projects. Organize rallies, meetings on pension reform and health care issues for Alliance members.

Additional Skills:

I have skills in Microsoft Word, Publisher, Access, Excel, Power Point, accounts payable, receivable and customer service. Produce a weekly RI ARA E-Newsletter @ <u>ri-ara.org/RI ARA News</u>

References:

George Nee, President, RI AFL-CIO 194 Smith Street, Providence, RI 02908 Richard Fiesta, Executive Director Alliance for Retired Americans, 815 16th Street, N. W., 4th Floor, Washington, D. C. 20006 Dr. Arthur Corvese 234 Lexington Ave., North Providence, RI 02904 Dr. Joseph Boffa 459 Underwood Street, Holliston, MA 01746