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Joseph Shelton is currently employed as Program Assistant at Inside Out Youth Services working to advance the voices and needs of LGBTQ+ people. He is a community activist for change. Joseph formerly was a candidate for Colorado Springs School District 11 Board of Education. Joseph is a community volunteer with multiple organizations across the state of Colorado. Joseph has background in politics, LGBTQ+ education, law enforcement, and student advocacy.

EXPERIENCE

- March 2019 – PRESENT
Program Assistant, Inside Out Youth Services
Assist with program management, volunteer outreach and education services. My role as the Program Assistant is one step under the Program Manager. I work to maintain a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth ages 13-24.
- September 2018 – PRESENT
Occasional Campus Safety Officer, Colorado College
Support students, staff, and community around the Colorado College communities. Working to ensure safety of all those on and around the campus. Position is on-call and only when called and requested to come in.

EDUCATION

- May 2015
High School Diploma
William J. Palmer High School

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- **Colorado Springs School District 11**
January 2020 – PRESENT
Milly Levy Override Oversight Committee
Graduations Requirements Steering Committee
August 2020 – PRESENT
Building Facility Master Plan Steering Committee
- **Colorado Springs Teen Court**
August 2016 – October 2017
Volunteer Facilitator
- **Educating Children of Color Inc.**
January 2012 – January 2015
Student Ambassador
January 2013 – June 2015
Student Representative on Board of Directors
January 2012 – PRESENT
Planning Committee Member
April 2020 – PRESENT
Chair of Publicity Committee

- **Inside Out Youth Services**
May 2018 – April 2019
Youth Volunteer
January 2019 – April 2019
Chair of the Youth Advisory Council

AWARDS/CERTIFICATES

- **The Aurora Borealis Award of Excellence, Passion and Wisdom**
 United Court of the Pikes Peak Empire
 November 2019
 A lifetime title award presented by the Empress of the United Court of the Pikes Peak Empire to a local community leader showing the qualities listed within the title.
- **Certificate of Completion**
 Colorado Positive Youth Development
 October 2019
 Certificate for participating in the class on how to support youth in becoming adults and being successful.
- **Certificate of Completion**
 Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery
 August 2019
 Certificate stating I completed all courses to become a support coach in the use of drugs/tobacco/alcohol.
- **Certificate of Completion of Advanced Skills Session**
 Sources of Strength
 July 2019
 Certificate stating I did all courses for the Sources of Strength program and can facilitate groups and trainings within Inside Out Youth Services.
- **Commander's Commendation**
 Colorado Springs Police Department
 September 2017
 Given for dedication to the Colorado Springs Police Department and the Colorado Springs Police Department Cadet Explorers program over a span of 3 years.
- **Commander's Commendation**
 Colorado Springs Police Department
 August 2017
 Given for bringing forward representation during a CSPD/CSFD training exercise and for representing the Colorado Springs Police Department and the Colorado Springs Police Department Cadet Explorers program.

REFERENCES

Regina Walter – Executive Director of the Educating Children of Color Inc. –

Jessie Pocock – Executive Director of Inside Out Youth Services –

Maggie Santos – Campus Safety Director at Colorado College –

Lauren Paley – Mentor, Former Denver Public Schools Teacher –