

Waukesha Common Council Members

Please accept this application to the open position of Alderperson for Waukesha. Please allow me to share with you why I am interested for you to consider what I can bring to this position in service to our city.

First I would like to acknowledge the reason that this position is open and that I am aware that domestic abuse is something that is happening in our community. There are things our community can do to continue to address domestic abuse, safety concerns, and trauma impacts. It's important to also acknowledge the varying costs to Waukesha that domestic abuse causes. I am a survivor of domestic abuse myself and am very aware of areas that we can be sensitive to the complexities of this issue but very positive to work on ways that we can learn how to reduce violence including domestic violence and its impact on our community.

As I am a domestic abuse survivor I am in the Wisconsin Department of Justice Safe at Home program designed to protect the location of survivors to be sure they are safe. Therefore you will see that my address shows the Department of Justice in Madison's address. However I am in Waukesha and my son attends Waukesha West High School in the district area of this position and I work and serve in this community.

I also think I can be a valuable voice as a Waukesha Alderperson with my history of community service and my representing underserved communities with cultural competency and sensitivity to the needs that have continued to come to the forefront of our society to address.

As a woman, a survivor, bilingual and bicultural, and an someone who has been active in committees and programs with Salvation Army, Waukesha Women's Center, the Waukesha Library, and La Casa de Esperanza and serving on the board of trustees for WCTC as well as a board member for the Waukesha Stem academy these experiences will enrich what I can bring to this position. I am also the president and CEO of the Hispanic Collaborative Network where we serve our community by connecting individuals to resources as well as serving the community with Action Teams organized around Family Empowerment, Educational Equity, Health Access, and Workforce Development with an emphasis on making sure the underserved have access to the culturally competent resources they need to thrive. I also run a business for financial planning and have dedicated myself to financial literacy with an emphasis on underserved communities. I believe all this gives me a voice and perspective that would benefit serving the city in this role.

As I have a heart for service and passion to be innovative and look for solutions to making sure everyone has the opportunity to thrive. I am also dedicated to advocating for diversity, equity, and inclusion knowing that this makes our communities stronger. I look forward to your consideration for me applying my leadership and advocacy skills to service in our community as an Alderperson.

Sincerely,

Julie Valadez
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HCN President & CEO

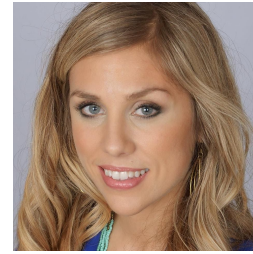
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Dynamic and motivated professional with a proven record of generating and building relationships, managing projects from concept to completion, designing educational strategies, and coaching individuals to success. Skilled in building cross-functional teams, demonstrating exceptional communication skills, and making critical decisions during challenges. Adaptable and transformational leader with an ability to work independently, creating effective presentations, and developing opportunities that further establish organizational goals.

Skills

Leadership
Community Engagement and Strategic Collaborations
Diversity and Inclusion Strategist
Project management
Latino Engagement and Outreach
Public Speaking
Advocacy
Teaching
Volunteerism
Bilingual - Fluent in Spanish and English

Experience

Hispanic Collaborative Network

2017-present

Position: President & CEO
Program management
Volunteer management
Fund development

Financial Freedom

2018-present Southeast, WI

Position: Financial Planner

Providing financial literacy and services
Training a team

Thrivent Financial

2015-present Southeast, WI

Position: Insurance Associate

Creating and Launching Latino Initiative Pilot
Latino Community Outreach and Engagement
Financial Literacy Training and Education
Office Management
Business Development

Home Autism Services

2009-present Waukesha, WI

Position: Management of Home Autism Services
Hire therapy staff for in home care
Train and oversight of staff
Program development
Service coordination

Brookside Baptist Church

2008 - 2014 Brookfield, WI

Position: Sr. Leadership
Program development and advancement
Latino Community Outreach
Volunteer Recruitment and Training
Counseling
Diversity and Inclusion Training
Special Needs Programming
Teaching

East Delavan Baptist Church

2004 - 2008 Delavan, WI

Position: Sr. Office Administrator
Managed and organized all programming for the organization.
Ran daily operations
Trained and maintained all volunteers
Public speaking
Latino Community Outreach
Diversity and Inclusion Training
Teaching

Education

Faith Christian School

Graduated 2002, Williams Bay, Wisconsin

Liberty University

Anticipated in 2021, Lynchburg, Virginia

Bachelor's degree in Psychology
Concentration in counseling

Certifications and Courses Taken

Spiritual and Psychological First Aid Certified
Trauma Informed Care Training
Daring Leadership Training

Committees and Boards

Current Boards and Committees

Board of Trustees -Waukesha County Technical College

Board Member- Waukesha Stem Academy

Previous Board and Committees

Board Member Young Nonprofit Professional Network

Board Member- Wgils -Volunteer Chair

PTO Board Member at Blair Elementary School -Board Secretary

Waukesha Women's Center Programs Committee

Echelon Young Professionals Member

Girl Scout Leader

Greater Milwaukee Human Trafficking Task Force

La Casa de Esperanza Advisory Committee

Grant Programs

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and Wisconsin Libraries

Grant program Wisconsin Libraries Transforming Communities

Awards and Recognitions

UMOS Hispanic Family of the Year 2017

UMOS Sponsor of the year 2017

HPGM Rising Young Professional



January 14th, 2021

To whom it may concern,

It is my pleasure to recommend Ms. Julie Valadez for the District #12 Aldermanic Seat in the city of Waukesha. I have known Ms. Valadez for almost 6 years when she volunteered to help our students at MATC offering financial services and teaching them about issues such as economic equality, voting rights and healthcare for all.

I have been consistently impressed with Julie's positive attitude, great organizational skills, understanding of inclusiveness, equity and justice for all people.

Julie is a bright and motivated person. I am confident that she will devote herself to the city of Waukesha with a high degree of diligence. Her interpersonal and communication skills have allowed her to develop productive working relationships with the community partners she's helped in Waukesha and Milwaukee.

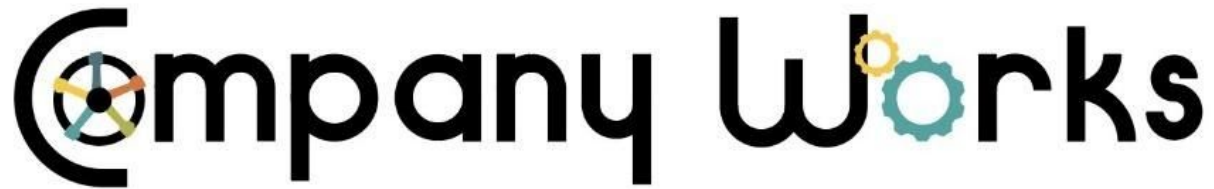
Julie has also been effective in his efforts to engage the Hispanic community through the media, e-mail correspondence and community events through the Hispanic Collaborative Network. She loves to reach out to people from all levels and involve them in projects to help others. I particularly appreciate Julie's willingness to take initiative to help her co-workers, and associates to develop and improve their leadership skills.

I recommend Ms. Julie Valadez without reservation. I am confident that she will be successful in this role. Please let me know if you have need for additional information about this outstanding woman.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luz Sosa", written in a cursive style.

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Dear Waukesha Common Council,

This is simple, Julie Valadez should be Waukesha's next Alderperson because she gets what it means to operate with integrity, dedication, passion, and compassion. She really understands what families and the community needs. For too long we have had status quo city officials who come with a sense of entitlement and too often we discover they do not walk their talk. While the previous Alderman has been arrested for allegedly committing acts of domestic violence, Julie Valadez knows first hand the impact domestic violence has on our families, children, and the community. She can provide a sense of healing and calm to the community impacted by the actions of the previous Alderman.

Julie Valadez can reliably listen to that which which makes a real difference to what people in our community are actually dealing with. And she can bring transformation at a time when our entire country needs that kind of leadership and transformation.

I think that Julie is a brilliant, loving, caring person, a great mother and the city of Waukesha could really benefit from having her kind of leadership with integrity. She is also a tough advocate and will fight for the good of the citizens of Waukesha.

Thank you for your consideration of my recommendation of Julie Valadez to the position of Alderperson for Waukesha. I believe selecting a domestic abuse survivor shows this councils commitment to ending domestic violence in Waukesha.

Sincerely,

Crystal Hudson
CEO Company Works
Founder Root to Rise