



Strengthening Americas Communities™

To understand my drive over the past thirty years working with some of America's brightest youth is to know my history, and why it is so important for me, when ever possible to work to introduce new brain based systems for our youth and teens. I personally know how important it is to incorporate techniques that challenge ones inherent abilities as a survivor of a catastrophic near death experience.

The STEM Student Ambassadors Program is unique and innovative in its objectives and mission to close student achievement gaps in the critical aspects of student academics, ethics, civic and social development. High school students are the foundation to our STEM initiatives, STEM is the acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. High school students who elect to become STEM Student Ambassadors assume empowering leadership roles as they self chose to become motivating forces for other high school students, as well as middle school and our new addition of 5th graders for the 2008-2009 school year.

As a survivor of a near death experience, I had to develop and utilize innovative learning techniques in my rehabilitation and recovery. At the age of 24, as a young firefighter, I was electrocuted by 193,000 volts; my treating physicians reported I sustained 93,000 volts of direct hits throughout my body. Dead on arrival to the hospital, my life would take on a totally new meaning in its mere existence. I had to relearn how to read, write and rebuild my body in ways we far too often take for granted. This experience was a rebirthing of my life to my family and to the service of others.

Though my near death experience was catastrophic, it constantly reminds me of God's divine presence that gave me the strength and determination to return to society as a devoted father to my children, and to strive to be the best of what it is to be human. My near death experience forced me to develop my own brain based learning systems when the medical community gave up on me.

I was extremely pleased with the success of our 2007-2008 STEM program year, my Administrative Assistant Ms. Gaile C. Mitchell is a phenomenal all around presence in our success. Our mission for the 2008-2009 year is to introduce the STEM Disciplines to over 200,000 Clark County School District Students. We are looking forward to working with the School District, Principals, Counselors, Students, Parents, Elected Officials and Sponsors. We thank all who have supported our effort to close student Achievement Gaps.

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Experience and Accomplishments

- Employment and Program Manager (Serving America's Veterans), HELP USA Las Vegas Genesis, Nevada (2008-Present)
- Owner of Sherman Rutledge Consulting, Educational and Personal Training, Youth Development, Private Client Business Development Services, Professional Videography, Editing, DVD Authoring and Photography Services (2001-Present).
- UNLV Space & Summer Camps 2007 Instructor "The Science of Belief" accelerated techniques for academic success, and Technical Assistant (2007-Present).
- Youth Program Manager, Nevada Business Services, Inc. (NBSI) - Las Vegas Workforce Investment Board, Inc. (NBSI) 2005-2006.
- Executive Director/founder, "Strengthening America's Communities"™ Nevada Non-Profit 501 (C) 3, an all around public service agency serving Educators, Students, Parents, Youth Service Practitioners, Agencies, providing services to prevent substance use/abuse, school drop-out and other high-risk behaviors (2001-present).
- "America's Young Gentlemen" a comprehensive development of young men mentoring program, utilizing advanced mentoring application systems (2001-Present).
- Chairman, Goshen Community Development Coalition, Nevada Non-Profit 501 (C) 3, (2000- Present).
- Founder "Paradigm to Accelerated Global Development" a cognitive, analytical and critical thinking system providing developmental services to individuals K to 21 (1999-present).
- Program Manager for Project Safe Neighborhoods, reaching youth in the 4th and 5th grades (2003-2005).
- Founder/Lead Trainer of "Connecting America's Youth to Accelerated Prevention Solutions," National Youth Leadership, Substance Use/Abuse and High-Risk Behaviors prevention program (2001 - Present).
- President/CEO 3 Dimensional Marketing, Inc. Nevada Corporation, a technology, video, DVD, Graphic Design, Web developing and marketing (2001-2005).
- Youth Service Provider for the Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board (2004-2005).
- Developer of "Parent Accelerated Strategies for Student Development" a comprehensive parent development strategy designed to enhancing youth academic success while closing student achievement gap.
- Vice Chairman of the Nevada Governors HIV/AIDS Task Force (1998-2001).
- Past Co-Chairman of the Las Vegas EMA Ryan White Title I Planning Council Service to individuals living with HIV/AIDS 1998-2000).
- Trainer of Trainer (TOT), Center of Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) Certificated 2001.
- Positive Actions Program Trainer of Trainers (TOT) Certificated 2003.
- Certified in Communities That Care (CTC) Certificated 2003.
- Seven Steps Community Development Training Certified 2004.
- Past Coach of Middle and High School AAA traveling basketball teams (1986-1990).
- Trained in Accelerated Learning, "Learn To Learn" Methodology, F.I.R.E.-U.P Your Learning Certified 2004.
- Developed "Mentoring through Technology" a mentoring program designed to enhance student technological advancements for mentees participating in the 100 Back Men of America, Las Vegas Chapter 1998.
- Black Belt - Shoaling-Kung Fu, Red Dragon, Five Animals 1986.
- General Manager KCEP-FM 88.1, Public Radio Station, Las Vegas, Nevada (1994 -2001).
- Television/Radio program producer, director and host, Cox Cable and Southwestern Cable, San Diego, California, KTTV 1987-2004.
- Producer of "Soul of the City" a Las Vegas Television program, aired for two years 1997-1999.
- Producer of seven National Real Life Documentaries (That included Blues Great Little Milton) 1998.
- Past President of the Las Vegas Urban Chamber of Commerce.
- Past member of Sundowners Lions International.
- Founding member of the Las Vegas Optimist Club/Chapter.
- Legal Redress Chairman of the Las Vegas Branch of the NAACP (2004-2005).
- Past President and Legal Redress Chairman of Imperial Valley NAACP.
- Past President Pop Warner Association, El Centro, California.
- Past Most Worshipful Master, Eureka Lodge 28th-A&FM.
- Prince Hall Grand Officer, Eureka Lodge # 28, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge California Jurisdiction.
- Practitioner for the California State Department of Education (1990-1994).
- Owner of DESIA Modeling and Production Company.
- Developed and Introduced "Design Your Future" a program designed to enhance academic achievement of Special Education Students, enhancing personal development, closing the achievement gaps 1984-1989.
- Retired Firefighter
- Co-founder of "Equal Justice under the Law," an organization established to fight the injustices within the judicial system in San Diego, California.
- Designed and implemented the Eureka Youth Performing Arts Center Financed by Sherman to reduce gang activity, drug involvement, and other high-risk behaviors, while promoting individual skills (1992-1994).
- National Racial Intolerance Consultant California (1985-1996).

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