

## MINUTES

**Montevallo City Council Work Session**  
**January 23, 2023**  
**5:30 p.m. at City Hall**

**Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Martha Eisenberg, Council Member Sonya Swords. Quorum present.**

**Work Session** called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Nix with Quorum present.

### **Mayor Nix called for Discussion of New Business Items on Agenda:**

- Discussion of request to declare 1 – 2002 F-150 Pick-up from the Streets and Roads Department as Surplus for Sale at Public Auction.
- Discussion of request to change regular Order of Business to Allow for Executive Session. Old Business, Board Appointments and Citizen Participation to be moved up in Order, Executive Session to Follow as last Order of Business.

### **Mayor Nix Called for Committee Reports:**

Mayor Nix called on Council Member King for Public Health & Safety: Council Member King called on Chief Littleton for the Police Department report. Chief Littleton reported there were 60 Total Cases for January. See Appendix 1.

Council Member King called on Chief Davis for the Fire Department Report. Chief Davis reported there were 51 Total Calls for the first half of January. See Appendix 2.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Dukes for the Sustainability Report. Council Member Dukes called on Kirk Hamby, Head of Public Works. Kirk reported one POD has been cleaned out and the remaining PODS should be cleaned out by Wednesday. The items from the PODS are going into the Warehouse/ Recycling Center. His department will be painting the interior of the Warehouse/ Recycling Center this week and the work there is going well and is being used for storage. Kirk reminded everyone about Arbor Day being held at the Recycling Center on February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Eisenberg for Recreation, Preservation and Community Development. Council Member Eisenberg called on Shane Baugh, Parks and Recreation Director. Council Member Eisenberg asked about the Orr Park Restrooms being repaired. Shane reported insurance claim has been filed and he anticipates repairs to be done within 60 – 90 days.

Mayor Nix called for the Education, Arts and Outreach Committee Reports. Council Member Mitchell called on Savannah Kitchens Director of Parnell Memorial Library. Savannah reported the February calendar of events for the Library are online and social media; Family Fun Night is Tuesday; Take & Make Craft Kits available in February; Library will be closed February 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> for Presidents Day Holiday. See Appendix 3.

Council Member Mitchell called on Sarah Hogan, IMPACT Montevallo. Sarah reported they celebrated National Sticker Day on January 13<sup>th</sup> and students in all grades received a sticker. She reported the SROs are seeing stickers on backpacks, cars and other items and the stickers had positive messages with the IMPACT tagline “Decisions Today IMPACT Tomorrow” printed on them. She reported on the National Center for Drug Abuse statistics. She reported the CDC continues to make changes to the program grant oversight and has one and one-half years remaining on the grant. The next grant funding will be for years 6 – 10. No written report was submitted.

Council Member Mitchell called on Julia Smith, Mayor, Montevallo Junior City Council (MJCC). Julia reported the MJCC is celebrating 10 years this year; the next MJCC Meeting will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

Council Member Mitchell gave the yearend report for the Boys and Girls Club; water bottle filling stations have been installed; club renovations are being completed; Youth of the Month is Ava Werner. See Appendix 4.

Council Member Mitchell reported on the “Dr. Jermaine Bruford Mitchell” One-Two Mile Wellness Walk & Exercise to be held on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> starting at noon. See Appendix 5.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Swords for Finance, Economic Development & Tourism. Council Member Swords called on Courtney Bennett, Executive Director of Montevallo Main Street. Courtney reported Baba Java Coffee will be opening soon; she reported on attending a two-day Recreation Economy for Rural Communities (RERC) Workshop; Courtney has been chosen to represent all 33 Main Street Directors on the Main Street Board. See Appendix 6.

Council Member Swords called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director Montevallo Chamber of Commerce. Adele reported Chamber Chatter will be delivered January 27<sup>th</sup>; she reported the Montevallo Community Grant is open February 1<sup>st</sup> and closes March 1<sup>st</sup> and is available for non-profits in Montevallo to apply; Adele reported Papa John’s Ribbon Cutting will be held February 7<sup>th</sup>; Chamber Luncheon will be February 15<sup>th</sup> and feature Alan Miller, CEO of American Village. See Appendix 7.

Council Member Swords reported the Finance Committee will meet on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chamber and is open to the public.

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**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Council Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. by Mayor Rusty Nix.**

**Approval and or corrections of the Minutes 1.9.23** – Motion by Council Member Mitchell, second by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion passed.

**Recognitions / Awards:** None

**Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council:** Janice Seaman Shelby Street addressed Council about Victory Building. Please do not tear down building for a hotel. Please maintain the character of downtown. All Historical Preservation Commission to have a voice in this project.

**Public Health & Safety** (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement, Planning and Zoning) – Reported during City Council Work Session.

**Sustainability** (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives, and Historical Commission) – Reported during City Council Work Session.

**Recreation, Preservation and Community Development** (Parks & Recreation, Youth Athletics, Trails, Annexations) – Reported during City Council Work Session.

**Education, Arts & Outreach** (Schools, Library, UM, Boys & Girls Club, American Village, Sister City Commission, Artwalk, IMPACT) – Reported during City Council Work Session.

**Finance, Economic Development & Tourism** (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Main Street) – Reported during City Council Work Session.

**Consent to Pay the Bills**

Mayor Nix asked for a Motion to Pay the Bills. Council Member King made a motion to pay the bills, second by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

- Request to declare 1 – 2002 F-150 Pick-up from the Streets and Roads Department as Surplus for Sale at Public Auction. Motion made by Council Member King, second by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes, Motion passed.
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**Old Business:** None

**Board Appointments:** Tara Brantley resume submitted to serve on Historic Preservation Commission. Motion made by Council Member King, second by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes, Motion passed. See Appendix 8.

**Other Business:** None

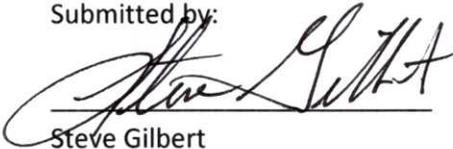
**Citizen Participation:** None

**Council Entered into Executive Session at 6:08 p.m.**

**Mayor Nix asked for a Motion to enter back into Regular Order of Business.** Motion made by Council Member King, second by Council Member Mitchell, All Ayes, Motion passed.

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Nix called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Council Member Eisenberg, second by Council Member Swords, All Ayes. Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Gilbert", written over a horizontal line.

Steve Gilbert  
City Clerk / Treasurer



**From:** Brad Davis  
**Sent:** Monday, January 23, 2023 3:47 PM  
**To:** Mayor's Office; Steve Gilbert  
**Subject:** Report for tonight

January 1st -15th 2023

EMS- 36  
Lift assist- 7  
Structure Fire- 0  
Brush Fire- 0  
Electrical Fire - 0  
Vehicle Fire- 0  
Appliance Fire- 2  
Fire Alarm - 2  
MVC- 4  
Fuel Spill/ gas leak- 0  
Assist other agency- 0  
Assist Public-

Total Calls for 1st half of January 2023- 51 calls

Brad Davis  
Fire Chief  
City of Montevallo  
Montevallo Fire & Rescue Service  
541 Main Street  
Montevallo, AL 35115  
Office- 205-666-2555. Ext. 705

# PARNELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

JANUARY 23, 2022

- February event calendars are now available at the library, on our website ([parnellmemoriallibrary.org](http://parnellmemoriallibrary.org)), and our events are posted on our social media sites.
  - The library is closing on Saturday, Feb. 18 through Monday, Feb. 20 and will reopen for normal hours on Tuesday, Feb. 21 for President's Day
  - Family Fun Night is Tuesday, Feb. 7 between 5 - 7; we're making Valentine's Day Cards. As always, welcome to the whole family, no age limits.
  - Take & Make Craft Kits:
    - Kid's Craft Kit: Mon., Feb. 13
    - Adult Craft Kit; Fri., Feb. 3
    - Kid's Craft Kit: Mon., Feb. 27
    - Toddler Craft Kit: Wed., Feb. 8
    - Sweets and Eats: Tue., Feb. 7
  - Classic Movie Monday: Mon., Feb. 13 at 2pm. We're showing a classic rom com starring Rock Hudson and Doris Day
  - Kid's Mini Movie: Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 11 am after Storytime (45 mins)
  - Mini Music on Tuesdays at 10 and Mr. Mac Storytime on Wednesdays at 9:15
  - ESOL classes meet every Thursday at 6 and are free to attend



## Montevallo Program Report – December 2022

2022												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
ADA	37	45	46	43	47	69	64	44	45	43	43	44
2021												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
ADA	21	28	25	28	28	48	45	38	34	37	37	36

### After School Care:

- The University of Montevallo’s Track and Cross-Country team made their final visit of this semester! Hopefully they will return again in the Spring!
- The water bottle filling stations has been installed!
- The doors have been painted, finishing up club renovations!
- We should be getting one new Falcon Scholar in Action in January!

**Anti-Bullying** – The older groups developed and put on a short play for younger members that included different types of bullying they might encounter as they grow up, and some ideal ways to deal with it!

**Community Service** – Each group made Christmas cards to give to Slice Pizza, for giving the club a discount on pizza for their Christmas party! Slice then hung them up on their Christmas tree and taped them to their window displays!

**Positive Action** – Every day in November each member had to write a positive note or message and add it to a positivity jar, which others can take and read if they are feeling down.

**Project Learn** – Members regularly take time to select a book from our bookshelf and read after they eat. There is also time for them to work on homework, and they are encouraged to do so!

**Healthy Habits** – More Tae Bo! Members learned how to make ants on a log and other healthy, budget-friendly snacks.

**Triple Play** – Groups played volleyball against one another, and competed in relay races, badminton, and tug of war matches.

**SMART Moves** – We had a local fireman come and share a little about fire safety, with members being asked questions and receiving swag if they answered correctly.

**Club News:**

- Doors have all been painted!
- Water-Bottle filling station has been installed and is working well, with 47 bottles saved thus far!
- We reached our donation goal of \$10,000 in fundraising for the year!
- We are adding even more members from Calera schools, with our Calera van approaching full capacity.
- Target partnered with us again to provide Christmas gifts to some of the members in need!

<p>Ava is unable to be shown in photographs!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Youth of the Month</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ava Werner</p> <p>Ava is a 7-year old from Montevallo! She has been a club member for the past years, and regularly attends almost every day along with her two sisters!</p> <p>Her favorite color is pink, snack is a pizza, and game is Trouble!</p> <p>Here favorite hobby is talking to her friends, and her favorite thing about the club is getting to see her counselor, Miss Lindsey every day!</p>
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Christmas door decorations in various states of completion. Some groups got more done than others!

**THE ENCOURAGEMENT LEARNING FOUNDATION, INC.**  
**TRIBUTE TO**  
**“DR. JERMAINE BRUFORD MITCHELL”**  
**ONE-TWO MILE WELLNESS WALK & EXERCISE**



Saturday, January 28, 2023

**WALK STARTS AT 12 NOON**  
**CHAIR/ YOGA EXERCISES START AT 1:30**

**MONTEVALLO FIRE DEPARTMENT**

1140 Ashville Road, Montevallo, AL

TO OR FROM

**GEORGE DAILEY PARK**

219 Selma Road, Montevallo, AL

**(Please walk on the sidewalks; accessible for all)**

**EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO WALK/EXERCISE FOR YOUR WELLNESS!**  
Please dress according to the winter weather and please park  
at the MHS Football Stadium or George Dailey Park.

***For more information, please call 205-728-4923***

Report to City Council

January 23, 2023

Updates

- We are excited that Baba Java Coffee, a specialty coffee roaster and cafe Hoover, will be opening an additional location at 616/620 Main Street (formerly The Type Shop and Strand Coffeehouse). They are currently renovating the space, and we will let you know as soon as we hear a date for their Grand Opening.
- Last week I and three of my Economic Vitality Committee Members attended the two-day Recreation Economy for Rural Communities (RERC) Workshop in Columbiana, where local leaders and community members discussed ways to improve recreation and tourism efforts that encompass Columbiana, Calera, and Montevallo. This is an ongoing process and I look forward to continuing to represent Montevallo in these efforts.
- I have been chosen to represent all 33 Main Street Directors as an ex-officio member of the Main Street Alabama board. The term is one year, and the board meets quarterly in person. I am looking forward to joining them on February 8 in Foley.
- Nominations are now being accepted for Shelby County Reporter's Annual "Best of the Best" online competition (deadline: February 1). We have already nominated our downtown Montevallo businesses, but we encourage you to do the same at this link:

<https://shelbyliving.com/shelby-livings-best-of-the-best-2023/#/>

- Finally, we have received our Fall 2022 Cohort Report from CO.STARTERS (enclosed). The Executive Summary reads:

*The Montevallo Main Street September 2022 CO.STARTERS cohort was a diverse one; 60 percent of starters were women and 60 percent were between the ages of 45 and 64. Starters hailed from a variety of socioeconomic strata and represented both startup and operating stage ventures.*

*By the end of the program, the cohort had increased their confidence in their entrepreneurial skills by 60 percent. Participants reported a 20 percent increase in satisfaction with the resources available to them. Overall, the cohort reported 100 percent satisfaction with the CO.STARTERS Core program and the facilitator, Margaret Hall.*

We will host another cohort of 5 students in the spring and will announce dates and publish the sign-up form soon.

**Respectfully submitted, Courtney Bennett, Executive Director**



# Cohort Report

for Montevallo Main Street // Montevallo, AL

**Dates:** September 13, 2022 - November 15, 2022

## ■ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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### Overview: 10 sessions



1 Facilitator



5 Participants

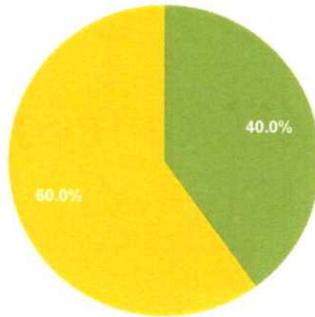


Pre-Survey: 100%  
Post-Survey: 100%

## STARTER DEMOGRAPHICS BREAKDOWN

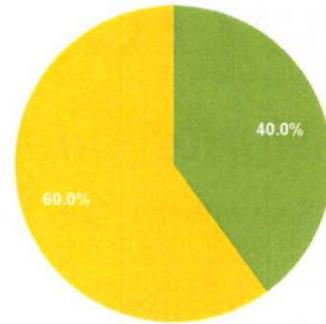
### Gender

- Male
- Female



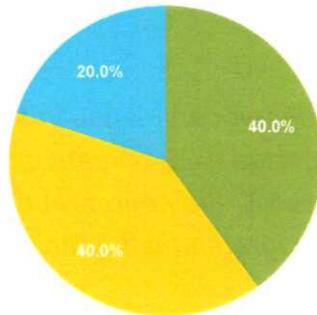
### Age

- 25-44
- 45-64



### Income

- \$25k-\$50k
- \$75k-\$100k
- More than \$100k



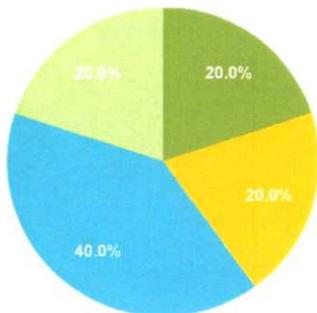
### Race

- White



### Education

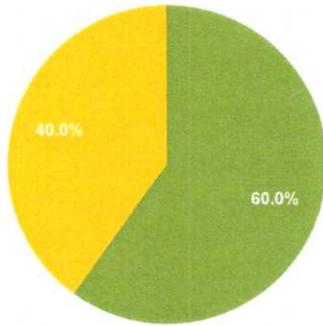
- Some college/university
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's degree



## VENTURE DEMOGRAPHICS BREAKDOWN

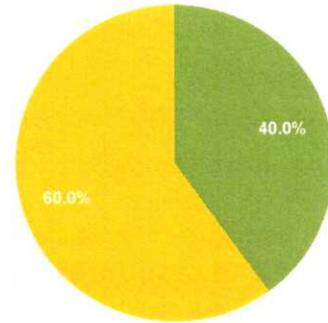
### Venture Stage (Start of Program)

- Startup Stage
- Operating Stage



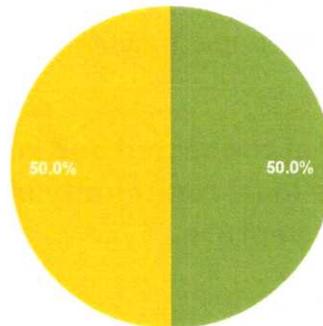
### Venture Stage (End of Program)

- Startup Stage
- Operating Stage



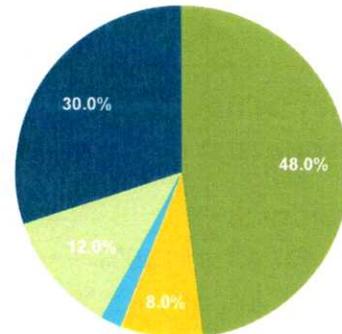
### Industry

- Professional Services
- Other



### Where's The Money Coming From?

- Personal savings
- Family & friends
- Personal credit
- Grants & donations
- Other



### Average Gross Annual Sales

\$155,000

### Gross Capital Investment

≥ \$84,000

## ■ PROGRESS REPORT

Percent of participants who agreed with the following statements, before and after the duration of the program:

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### **I know how to start and lead a venture.**

Before: 20%\*  
→ After: 80%\*\*  
→ Impact: +60%

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### **I have the resources I need to move my venture forward.**

Before: 60%  
→ After: 80%  
→ Impact: +20%

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### **I know how to market or sell my product(s) or service(s).**

Before: 80%  
→ After: 100%  
→ Impact: +20%

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### **I understand business financials.**

Before: 60%  
→ After: 80%  
→ Impact: +20%

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### **I know how to get and use customer feedback to improve my venture.**

Before: 80%  
→ After: 100%  
→ Impact: +20%

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### **I know how to turn my ideas into reality.**

Before: 40%  
→ After: 100%  
→ Impact: +60%

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### **I feel connected and supported by the local community in launching my venture.**

Before: 60%  
→ After: 80%  
→ Impact: +20%

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### **I know my next steps.**

Before: 40%  
→ After: 100%  
→ Impact: +60%

\* "Before" values are based on pre-program survey data

\*\* "After" values are based on post-program survey data

## ■ TESTIMONIALS

*"The class was excellent!"*

*"It's a great program and I highly encourage entrepreneurs to try it out!"*

*"Thank you for offering this in my community!"*

## ■ DEEP DIVE

→ Want to conduct further analysis? View your cohort's [raw data](#).

## ■ THANK YOU

→ Have questions? Contact us at [impact@costarters.co](mailto:impact@costarters.co).

Montevallo Chamber of Commerce Council Report 1.23.23

1) Feb 2023 **Chamber Chatter** will be delivered on Friday, Jan 27

2) **Montevallo Community Grant** will be Open February 1, 2023 and Close March 1, 2023 Applicants will need to have a Montevallo address and a current non-profit status with an EIN #. Starting on Feb 1, 2023, an application can be requested by emailing the Chamber at [montevallochamber@gmail.com](mailto:montevallochamber@gmail.com)

3) **PaPa Johns Montevallo Ribbon Cutting** Tuesday Feb 7 / 10am / 3960 Hwy 25

4) **Feb. Chamber Luncheon** / "American Village" / Speaker: Alan B. Miller, President & CEO / Wed. Feb. 15 from 11:30am to 1pm ; noon - lunch \$15.00 per person , at Parnell Library meeting room, RSVP by Mon Feb 13



**Adele Nelson**

**Executive Director**

*Montevallo Chamber of Commerce*

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Tara Brantley  
194 Shoal Creek Circle  
Montevallo, AL 35115

January 13, 2023

Mr. Rusty Nix  
Mayor of Montevallo  
541 Main Street  
Montevallo, AL 35115

Dear Mayor Nix,

I would like to express my interest in serving on the Montevallo Historic Preservation Commission. My relevant education includes a Bachelor's Degree in History; completion of a recent graduate-level course on Laws of Historic and Cultural Resources; and completion of two Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) trainings on Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. I am trained in the proper implementation of cultural resource laws including NHPA, NEPA, NAGPRA, and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, including preservation, rehabilitation, restoration, and reconstruction.

As a lifelong resident of Montevallo, I am very familiar with its rich history and cultural resources, many of which are very dear to my heart. I developed a fascination with the town's unique history as an undergraduate and began researching its past as part of my coursework. I met Mr. Henry Emfinger at that time, who helped me with my research on the Aldrich family and the remnants of their mining operations, which could constitute a historic district in its own right. I am also a current member of the Montevallo Historical Society and have been active in its recent restoration efforts of the Aldrich Coal Mine Museum and Farrington Hall grounds.

If you are ever in need of someone to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission, I hope you will consider me. Please find a copy of my resume enclosed for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Tara Brantley

# Tara Brantley

Montevallo, Alabama | (205) 830-9486 | taraa27@live.com

## PROFILE

- Thorough knowledge of educational theory and human development
- Extensive teaching and tutoring experience with all ages (preschool-adult)
- Knowledge of cultural resource management (CRM)
- Strong ability to communicate verbally and in writing
- Creative – Problem Solver – Conscientious – Personable – Team player

## EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Science Degree in History, University of Montevallo | 2002  
Dean's List – Phi Alpha Theta – Magna Cum Laude
- M.A. Ed. in Early Childhood and Elementary Education, University of Alabama at Birmingham | 2007

## EXPERIENCE

### **Central Alabama Community College** – Calera, AL | 2019-20

- Provided tutoring to adult learners – Utilized a multisensory approach to teaching literacy

### **Randolph Elementary School** – Randolph, AL | 2016-17

- Planned and implemented daily lessons – Observed children's unique learning styles
- Assessed students daily – Adapted curriculum to meet a wide range of needs
- Identified and advocated for exceptional learners – Maintained confidentiality
- Established open-door policy and positive communication with parents

### **Children's Creative Learning Center** – Birmingham, AL | 2016

- Collaborated with a team of professionals to perform assessments and analyze student data
- Invented an oral language assessment rubric for teachers to use with kindergartners

### **Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education** – Montgomery, AL | 2015

- Conducted regional new teacher trainings
- Assisted teachers and directors in meeting First Class Pre-K grant requirements
- Coached teachers in developmentally appropriate practice and conscious discipline

### **Joseph Bruno Montessori Academy** – Birmingham, AL | 2008-11

- Inspired students with hands-on lessons in science, literature, math, and cultural studies
- Welcomed and celebrated the diversity of students and their families
- Reflected daily on how to be a more effective teacher

## EMS Division Director

### Qualifications >

- Alabama Paramedic license Minimum of 15 Years.
- AHA BLS instructor
- AHA ACLS Instructor
- AHA PALS Instructor
- Pro Board Emergency Services Instructor II
- Pro Board Apparatus Operator
- Pro Board Aerial Operator
- NIMS 100,200,300,400,700,800

### Duties >

- Inventory Management of EMS Equipment
- Assist with EMS Education
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- Direct Liaison to Medical Director
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