

# Suzy Loftus



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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

### **Center for Youth Wellness, San Francisco, CA 2012-present**

#### *Chief Operating Officer*

- Oversee operations in the launch of the Center for Youth Wellness, an initiative to build a one-stop health and wellness center for urban children and families in San Francisco. The Center for Youth Wellness will combine pediatrics with mental health services, educational support, family support, research, and best practices in child abuse response, all under one roof. Doors are slated to open in 2013.
- Manage the renovation of the CYW's facility in the Bayview, oversee day-to-day operations and activities, manage finances and oversee Development, Program and Administrative departments.

### **California Dept of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, San Francisco & Sacramento, CA 2010-2012**

#### *Special Assistant Attorney General*

- Served as senior advisor on criminal justice, law enforcement and social justice policy for California's "top cop," Attorney General Kamala Harris.
- Coordinated statewide law enforcement and public safety policy for the California Department of Justice, which supervises and supports California's 58 county prosecutors and sheriffs on all public safety policy matters.
- Led several policy and enforcement initiatives of statewide and national significance, including efforts to disarm thousands of Californians with mental illness who illegally possessed firearms, launched the Attorney General's Human Trafficking initiative to fight modern day slavery and partnered with leading academics to redesign data systems that measure the effectiveness of the criminal justice system.

### **San Francisco District Attorney's Office, San Francisco, CA 2004 – 2010**

#### *Assistant District Attorney, Chief of Policy*

- Supervised and managed a policy team of attorneys and staff in the execution of office initiatives and programs, including model programs "Back on Track" and Truancy Court.
- Coordinated all aspects to the District Attorney's legislative agenda, including drafting legislation, organizing support and preparing testimony for both local and statewide legislation.
- Successfully tried felony and misdemeanor cases, including domestic violence, elder abuse, shootings, narcotics, robbery and illegal gun possession. Served as the Misdemeanor Trial Division Gun Specialist; received special firearms training from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Department of Justice and the San Francisco Police Department.
- Member of the San Francisco District Attorney's Office Hiring Committee; Neighborhood Assistant District Attorney for Northern Police Station and the Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association.

### **California Faculty Association, San Francisco, CA 2002-2003**

#### *Field Organizer*

- Organized California Faculty Association members in recruitment drive and a successful statewide campaign for the CalPERS Board.

### **Committee to Support Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, CA 2001-2002**

#### *Campaign Manager*

- Managed all day-to-day operations for the successful passage of a \$251 million bond measure for renovations and improvements of Santa Rosa Junior College.

**Oklahomans for No on 695, Oklahoma City, OK 2001**

*Constituency Director*

- Managed a staff of 11 constituency organizers in executing a statewide voter identification effort to defeat an anti-labor ballot initiative.
- Recruited and deployed over 1000 in-state and out-of-state Get Out the Vote volunteers.

**Barbara Lee Family Office and Foundation, Brookline, MA 2000-2001**

*Issues Manager, Barbara Lee Family Foundation*

*Political Director, Lee Family Office*

- Managed project that transitioned focus group transcripts, survey research and interviews into the publication "*Keys to the Governor's Office: The Guide to Electing Women Governors*".
- Coordinated Foundation and survey data research team in developing and implementing distribution of "*Keys to the Governor's Office*" into the hands of opinion leaders, members of the press and female candidates across the country.

**Bill Bradley for President, New York, NY/West Orange, NJ 1999-2000**

*New York State Field Director/Deputy Director of National Delegate Selection*

- Responsible for all New York statewide field/political operations.
- Managed over 25 field and political staff.
- Built structure to successfully slate district-level delegates in early, key presidential primary states including New York, California, Ohio, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Florida.
- Managed day-to-day political operations of the delegate selection process, including recruitment and tracking of delegate candidates.

**The White House Project, Washington D.C./New York, NY 1998-1999**

*Budget Director/Deputy National Outreach Director*

- Designed and maintained \$1.4 million budget.
- Organized state meetings in Michigan, traveled with principles and set up field offices.

**EDUCATION:**

**University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco, CA**

*Juris Doctor, May 2005*

- Law Review Staff Member 2003-2005
  - Published, "Punch-Card Ballots, Residual Votes and the Systematic Disenfranchisement of Minority Voters: A Look at *Southwest Voter Registration Education Project v. Shelley*, the Decision to Allow the California Recall Election To Proceed."
- Recipient of the Advocate of the Year Award 2003, Edward J. McFetridge Award for Excellence in Advocacy 2004, Moot Court "Best Oral Argument" 2003
- Zief Scholarship Recipient, Foundation of the State Bar of California Scholarship Recipient, Imelda Rosenthal Memorial Scholarship Recipient, 2005
- CALI Award Winner, Criminal Procedure & Forensic Evidence
- McAuliffe Honor Society 2002-2003

**Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA**

*Bachelor of Science, Political Science June 1996*

- Minor in Women's Studies, Emphasis in Public Administration