

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Professional Summary

35+ years' experience in a variety of industries including non-profit, retail, and insurance have taught me to excel at managing transitions, quickly identify critical initiatives, collaborate, and develop clear metric-based plans for achieving goals.

I am an executive and community leader with a demonstrated track record of building strong, high performing individuals and teams. I am the Founder of LOSS Community Services. LOSS is a non-profit organization that exists to be an instillation of hope to people impacted by a suicide loss. During my tenure as the Executive Director over 5,000 loss survivors received support.

In my corporate experience, I have delivered record-breaking sales, ebitda, and customer file growth at both Cheryl's Cookies and Victoria's Secret.

One consistent thread of passion throughout each of my leadership roles is supporting and developing people and teams. My passion is coaching, building, and equipping others to thrive.

### Education

- Franklin University Bachelor of Science, Finance and Business Management 1991
- Certified in Death and Grief Studies through the [Center for Loss and Life Transition](#) 2016

### Positions Held

01/23 – Present [The Center for Accelerating Suicide Prevention in Real-World Settings \(ASPIRES\)](#) *Advisory Board Member*

11/22 – Present [Alliance of Hope](#) *Board Member*

01/22 – Present [Self-Employed](#) *Suicide Postvention Consulting*

10/13 – 12/21 **LOSS Community Services** *Founder and Executive Director*

06/12 – 04/13 **Central Ohio Youth for Christ** *Social Enterprise Director*

06/06 – 06/12 **Cheryl's Cookies** *Vice President Marketing*

10/04 – 06/06 **Victoria's Secret Direct** *Marketing Director*

06/00 – 10/04 **Victoria's Secret Direct** *Marketing Manager*

10/98 – 06/00 **Victoria's Secret Direct** *Senior Marketing Analyst*

04/98 – 10/98 **Nationwide Life Insurance** *Business Analyst*

09/97 – 04/98 **Midland Life Insurance** *Technology Field Coordinator*

12/88 – 09/97 **Integrity Life Insurance** *Licensing and Commission Manager, Accounting Manager, Sr Accountant*

09/84 – 12/88 **Nationwide Life Insurance** *Underwriting and Claims Clerk*

### Awards and Honors

Named Director Emerita of LOSS Community Services 2023

[Norman Guitry Award from Mental Health America of Ohio](#) 2021

[Jefferson Award Finalist for Central Ohio](#) 2016

Education and Behavioral Health Corcoran Award from St Vincent Family Center 2016

The Barry Mastrine Award from the Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Board of Franklin County 2015

### **Professional Associations**

Franklin County Suicide Prevention Coalition member 2016 - current

Association for Death Education and Counseling 2018 – current

American Association for Suicidology 2018 - current

Franklin County Suicide Prevention Coalition Vice Chair 2016 - 2021

### **Licenses and Certifications**

- Certified in [Psychological First Aid](#) 2014 & 2022 - current
- Trauma Responsive Care Certified through the [Tri-State Trauma Network](#) 2021 - current
- Psychological Autopsy Investigator with the [American Association of Suicidology](#) 2020 - current
- Certified Thanatologist through [Association of Death Education and Counseling](#) 2019 - current
- Certified by [NAMI New Hampshire Connect](#) to conduct 2-day training equipping suicide loss survivors on How to Share Their Story 2018 - current
- [CAMS \(Collaborative Assessment & Management of Suicidality\)](#) trained 2018
- [CALM \(Conversations on Access to Lethal Means\)](#) trainer 2018 – current
- [The Link](#) Support Group Facilitator trained 2018
- [QPR \(Question Persuade Refer\)](#) trainer 2017 - current
- [ASIST \(Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training\)](#) trained 2016
- [Mental Health First Aid](#) trained 2016
- [The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention](#) Support Group Facilitator trained 2015
- [Dr. Alan Wolfelt's](#) model of Suicide Loss Survivor Support Group Facilitator trained 2015

### **Publications and Presentations**

Keynote Speaker for [L.O.S.S. Team Summit 101 Maryland](#) 2023

Contributor [After the Suicide Funeral: Wisdom on the Path to Posttraumatic Growth](#) 2022

Keynote Speaker for [Survivor of Suicide Loss Day Knoxville, Tennessee](#) 2022

Speaker for The Ohio Suicide Prevention's [Life Side Ohio Suicide and Firearms campaign](#) 2022

Keynote Speaker for The Ohio State University Suicide Prevention Annual Conference 2019  
*Am I a Loss Survivor? Being a Part of the Community Impacted by a Suicide*

[Consultant for the American Association of Suicidology Suicide Reporting Recommendations](#) 2018

[Featured loss survivor for The Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services](#) 2017  
*Perspectives on Suicide and the Media*

[Featured non-profit leader for the Columbus Foundation Stories of Impact](#) 2016