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New Social Services Director Selected for City of Manassas



City of Manassas, VA . . . The City of Manassas has hired Michele D. Gehr, MSSW to serve as Director of Social Services effective Sept. 16, 2019. Michele comes to the City of Manassas with more than 10 years of experience as a strategic program leader – designing, implementing, managing and evaluating programs and personnel.

Michele Gehr, MSSW, earned her Bachelor's degree in Psychology with a minor in Holocaust, Genocide, and Peace Studies from the University of Nevada, Reno. She earned a Master's of Science in Social Work from Columbia University in New York City. While at Columbia, Michele was accepted into the Management Fellows Program (MFP), an exclusive course of study that focused on high-impact non-profit management from a social service perspective. She has spent many years working with young people as a Youth Director, and most recently as the Executive Director of the Eddy House which

works with homeless and at-risk youth in northern Nevada to develop life and job skills necessary for sustainable independence.

In her new role as Social Services Director for the City of Manassas, Michele will oversee a department of dedicated social service employees who work each day to promote the stability, self-sufficiency and well-being of city residents by assisting with basic needs, protecting children and providing information and referrals to community resources.

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