

Alexander Abramowitz

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Experienced project manager with strong background in urban planning, budget management, and contract administration. Demonstrated success in public sector leadership, coordinating cross-functional teams, and implementing complex projects with strict quality and compliance standards. Excellent communicator with expertise in document control, schedule management, and stakeholder coordination.

Experience

City of Cleveland, Department of Building and Housing **Cleveland, OH**

Demolition Bureau Manager June 2021 – August 2024

- Led team of staff and contractors to design and deploy \$15 million neighborhood stabilization strategy, resulting in the demolition of over 500 blighted structures per year.
- Comprehensively restructured the city's demolition program to increase the quality, impact, and transparency of its work, while reducing delays, risks, and liabilities.
- Developed and implemented quality control standards for demolition contractors, ensuring compliance with safety regulations and project specifications.
- Prepared detailed scopes of work, solicited and evaluated contractor bids, and negotiated contracts with vendors and suppliers.
- Maintained meticulous documentation including permits, inspections, contract changes, and project closeout materials.
- Coordinated with city officials, residents, and contractors to resolve conflicts and address concerns throughout project lifecycles.
- Tracked project budgets and schedules, identifying and resolving delays and overruns.

Legal Aid Society of Cleveland **Cleveland, OH**

Data and Reporting Analyst October 2020 – May 2021

- Managed evaluation of Legal Aid's housing and eviction defense programs.
- Presented findings and policy recommendations to foundations and elected officials on Legal Aid's efficacy and challenges, supporting fundraising and advocacy efforts.
- Built automated data visualizations and data analysis tools for internal and external use.

City Of Detroit, Building Authority **Detroit, MI**

Planning and Procurement Specialist February 2017 – January 2019

- Prepared scopes of work and solicited bids for demolition projects, procuring over \$30 million in contracts.
- Managed document control for procurement processes, maintaining accurate records of contracts and change orders.
- Assisted in tracking MBE/FBE participation in city contracts, supporting diversity initiatives.

Education

University of Michigan Master of Urban and Regional Planning, 4.0 GPA **Ann Arbor, MI**
Concentration: Housing, Community, and Economic Development Graduated May 2020

Oberlin College Bachelor of Arts, 3.4 GPA **Oberlin, OH**
Majors: Economics and Politics. Graduated May 2015

Skills, Publications, and Honors

- Proficient with ArcGIS, STATA, Tableau, SketchUp, InDesign, Illustrator, Salesforce, Excel.
- Fostering Community-Owned, Permanently Affordable and Sustainable Housing in Brazil, National Winner, American Planning Association Student Project Award, 2021.
- Mixed Incomes, Mixed Outcomes: U.S. Housing Redevelopment Policy, Michigan Journal of Public Affairs, 2020.
- Memorial Scholarship Winner, American Planning Association, Michigan Chapter, 2019.