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Summary of Qualifications

- Experienced manager of Facilities and Engineering teams with a focus on innovative and collaborative approaches that result in exceptional customer satisfaction, continuous process improvement, quality deliverables, safety and risk management, financial performance, and team development.
 - Skilled Project Manager with a B.S. in Construction Management from the University of Washington and proven track record on projects ranging from tenant improvements to complex building system upgrades and major office moves.
 - Former licensed and certified Building Engineer with twenty plus years of experience of increasing responsibilities in the healthcare, life sciences, technology, and corporate real estate industries.
 - U.S. Navy veteran (E-5, Petty Officer Second Class), honorably discharged after four years of service.
 - Successful leader with strong interpersonal, creative problem-solving, analytical, and organizational skills.
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Professional Experience

Pacific Northwest Research Institute
Sr. Facilities Manager

Seattle, WA
January 2023-present

- Lead the facilities team responsible for the operation, maintenance, and repair of research laboratories, animal care facility, and administrative spaces. Manage facilities-related projects, contractors and vendors, the operational and capital expense budgets, and ensure regulatory compliance for all authorities having jurisdiction.

Nordstrom
Facilities Manager

Seattle, WA
August 2022-December 2022

- Managed the Downtown Seattle flagship store and multiple Rack locations.

Swedish Medical Center
Facilities Manager

Issaquah, WA
September 2019 – August 2022

- Managed a state-of-the-art 175-bed hospital and three medical office buildings totaling approximately 750,000sf on 17 acres. Led a team of fourteen staff members and various contractors and vendors - ensuring regulatory compliance, optimal operating efficiency, and safe and comfortable environments. Managed multi-million-dollar operating expense and capital expense budgets. Hired, developed, and trained supervisor, lead, and other key department personnel to optimize operations. Partnered with executive, administrative, nursing, and other diverse department teams to effectively communicate and collaboratively solve problems that involved various stakeholders and met organizational goals.

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
Facilities Engineering Program Manager

Seattle, WA
August 2018 – August 2019

- Ensured engineering compliance with the City of Seattle, WA State Fire Marshal, WA State Department of Health, The Joint Commission, the insurance company, and other authorities having jurisdiction.
- Managed the Computerized Maintenance Management System, ensuring work was performed effectively and efficiently, and performed data analytics for regulatory compliance.
- Served as FH Engineering rep on projects at SCCA including tenant improvements and the clinic expansion.
- Developed the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan and managed or oversaw management of engineering projects. Helped develop the 20-year CIP and Facilities Condition Index.

Horizon House (CCRC)
Facilities & Renovations Manager

Seattle, WA
Oct 2017 – Jun 2018

- Managed the Facilities team responsible for the operation, maintenance, and repair of the 1m sf campus on First Hill - including 450 independent/support-living/memory-care apartments, kitchen/dining, pool/spa/fitness center, salon, recreation areas, medical/dental clinic, parking structures and grounds.

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- Managed the Renovations team responsible for apartment renovations and major capital improvements such as building envelope and electrical system upgrades, complex HVAC system replacement, and small TPs.

Vulcan

Facilities Manager

Seattle, WA

Mar 2015 – Sept 2017

- Managed the Facilities team, vendors, and contractors responsible for the operation, maintenance, and repair of 300k sf of corporate properties and provided oversight of the property management company.
- Successfully managed numerous projects including a \$1m/125k sf office LED lighting and controls upgrade, office moves of 125 plus employees from various departments, and complex building system upgrades.
- Administered the Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS) and performed data analytics to optimize Facilities team performance and improve department reporting of KPI metrics.

Jones Lang LaSalle on the Amgen account

Facilities Maintenance Planner/Scheduler

Seattle, WA

May 2009 – Oct 2014

- Effectively planned and scheduled work for various trades, vendors, and contractors.
- Created detailed Scope of Work, (SOW), Job Hazard Analysis (JHA), and other required documentation to ensure work performed safely, efficiently, and in accordance with local and national codes and regulations.

Amgen

Maintenance Technician /Plant Utility Operator

Seattle, WA

Nov 2005 – Apr 2009

- Performed effective and efficient operation, maintenance, and repairs on various building systems including mission-critical data center, chemical and biological labs, and animal research facility.
- Successfully insourced planning, scheduling, and coordinating of fire systems inspection, testing, and repairs resulting in tens of thousands in savings every year.

University of Washington Medical Center

Facilities Operations Maintenance Specialist

Seattle, WA

Nov 2002 – Oct 2005

- Performed effective and efficient operation, maintenance, and repair on various hospital building systems.

Seattle Children's Hospital

Building Engineer (2nd job, evening shift)

Seattle, WA

Jun 2000 – Jun 2011

- Performed effective and efficient operation, maintenance, and repair on various hospital building systems.
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Education and Training

- Bachelor of Science in Construction Management from the University of Washington, 2014
- Certificate in Facilities Management from the University of Washington, 2010
- Formerly licensed or certified in boilers, refrigeration, electrical maintenance, and fire alarm/suppression systems.

Technical Skills

- MS Office suite, MS Project, MS Visio, and Revu Bluebeam
- Computerized Maintenance Management, Enterprise Asset Management and Financial Management software
- Facilities condition assessments, annual and long-range planning, and master planning
- Extensive knowledge of building construction and building MEP systems

Volunteering

- Mentored graduate students studying Facilities Management at the University of Washington
- Participated in events for Rebuilding Together Seattle and Run for Seattle Children's