MICHAEL
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Child Welfare Researcher

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Compassionate Social Research Scientist with over 4 years of experience in child welfare research and advocacy. Focused on understanding the complexities of child development and the social systems that affect children's well-being. Skilled in utilizing both qualitative and quantitative research methods to inform policy and practice. Passionate about engaging with communities to ensure that research reflects the voices of those most affected.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Child Welfare Researcher | Children's Defense Fund   Jan 2022 – Present

- Led research projects that evaluated the effectiveness of child welfare programs.
- Conducted surveys and interviews with families to gather data on service experiences.
- Analyzed data to identify barriers to accessing child welfare services.
- Presented findings to policymakers, advocating for improved program funding.
- Collaborated with community organizations to implement research-informed initiatives.
- Authored reports that highlighted children's needs and influenced policy discussions.

Research Intern | National Center for Children in Poverty   Jul 2019 – Dec 2021

- Assisted in data collection for a study on the impacts of poverty on child development.
- Conducted literature reviews to support research efforts.
- Participated in community outreach to engage families in research activities.
- Analyzed qualitative data, identifying key themes related to child well-being.
- Supported the development of policy recommendations based on research findings.
- Attended workshops on child advocacy and policy development.

SKILLS

Qualitative research   quantitative analysis   child welfare policy   advocacy   community engagement   data analysis

EDUCATION

Master of Social Work   2015 – 2019
Columbia University

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized for exemplary research contributions by the National Child Welfare Association in 2021.
- Contributed to a policy brief that successfully influenced funding for child welfare services.
- Implemented a community feedback system that improved service delivery by 15%.

LANGUAGES

English   Spanish   French