

# MICHAEL D. ROMERO, LCSW

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## CAPABILITIES

- Over 10 years experience working therapeutically with youth and families in various settings and countries
- Strong clinical skills in assessment, diagnosis and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders in children
- Supervisory, training and community building experience
- Excellent written, communication and administrative skills and fluent in Spanish
- Award winning Musician experienced in teaching, writing and performing

## EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin 5/06

### **Master of Science in Social Work**

Concentration: Clinical Social Work

The University of Texas at Austin 5/05

### **Bachelor of Social Work**

## EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Vida Clinic at Harris Elementary 2/2018-Current

### **Part Time Clinical Therapist**

- Provide individual and family therapy, crisis intervention and community referrals

Casey Foundation, SIMS Foundation, Communities In Schools 8/2016-6/2018

### **Contract Therapist**

- Provided individual and family therapy, crisis intervention and community referrals

U.S. State Department with American Music Abroad 2015-2016

### **Musical Ambassador**

- Planned and facilitated team building and music workshops for youth and adult musicians

Communities In Schools at Zavala Elementary, Austin, Texas 11/10-5/16

### **Program Manager**

- Supervised SmartKids Coordinators, AmeriCorps Members and Interns
- Provided individual/group/family therapy, leadership retreats, crisis intervention and community referrals
- Facilitated various trauma, crisis and rhythm trainings for teachers and staff

Peace Corps: Honduras, Central America 7/08-9/10

### **Peace Corps Youth Development Volunteer**

- Collaborated with local counterparts to assess needs, implement and evaluate youth programs
- Led early stimulation activities for kinder classes and parent and English methodology courses
- Served as President of "Volunteers Offering Support," mentoring Trainees/Volunteers

- Communities In Schools at Rodriguez Elementary, Austin, Texas 7/06-6/08  
**Program Manager**
- Supervised AmeriCorps Members and BSW Intern providing tutoring, mentoring and supportive guidance
  - Provided individual/group/family therapy, crisis intervention and community referrals
  - Advocated for students seeing outside psychiatrists and updated mental health staff on student behaviors
- Communities In Schools at Langford Elementary, Austin, Texas 6/06-7/06  
**Wachovia Building Leaders Program Summer Camp Caseworker**
- Planned and co-facilitated leadership groups
- Future Without Poverty and Desarrollo Integral de la Familia Jalisco (DIF) 1/06-5/06  
Mazamitla, Jalisco, Mexico  
**MSSW Intern**
- Participated in sustainable community development projects
  - Provided individual and group supportive guidance and taught at L.A.M. International High School
- Communities In Schools at Langford Elementary, Austin, Texas 1/05-4/05  
**BSW Intern**
- Mentored students individually utilizing one on one counseling and play therapy techniques
  - Planned and co-facilitated student support groups and bibliotherapy reading group

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Volunteer: Salvation Army Downtown Shelter, monthly music 2018
- Volunteer: Austin World Refugee Festival & Communities In Schools 2016
- Volunteer: Sending Solidarity 2013
- Volunteer: ZaBoomBa, Restoring Communities, Manor Elementary 2012
- Volunteer: The Bugle Boy & Communities In Schools 2011

### **AFFILIATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND HONORS**

- Selected as Musical Ambassador for U.S. State Department 2015-2016
- CIS National Award 'Unsung Hero' 2015
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker 2012-Present
- President of VOS: Volunteers Offering Support Council of Peace Corps Honduras 2009-2010
- Volunteer Advisory Committee Member of Peace Corps Honduras 2009-2010
- Bonny Gardner Student Social Justice Award, Honorable Mention 2006
- Victor and Myra Ravel Scholarship in Children's Rights 2003