

Teddy Pillion

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GOAL

To pursue a Juris Doctor degree at the University of Virginia School of Law that combines analytical reasoning, effective communication, and strategic relationship-building to help navigate complex legal and societal issues.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Leveraged **analytical and research skills** to support public health fundraising strategies, synthesizing donor, community, and healthcare-related data to identify opportunities for philanthropic investment and strengthen initiatives expanding access to dental care for underserved populations.
- **Developed persuasive communication and advocacy skills** through donor engagement and nonprofit outreach, crafting mission-driven messaging and supporting relationship-building efforts with community partners, healthcare stakeholders, and philanthropic supporters to advance organizational goals.
- Collaborated across nonprofit, healthcare, and community sectors to **navigate complex public health challenges**, contributing to development initiatives that aligned stakeholder priorities, informed strategic decision-making, and connected resource mobilization with broader health equity objectives.

EDUCATION

- University of Virginia – Charlottesville, VA – 2023-2027
 - ☐ Bachelor of Arts, Global Public Health Policy
- Abingdon High School – Abingdon, VA – 2019-2023
 - ☐ Advanced Diploma, Valedictorian
 - ☐ 7-time state champion athlete in track and cross-country

EMPLOYMENT

- Appalachian Highlands Community Dental Charities (Intern/Development Staff) – May 2026 to Present
- Ballad Health / Johnston Memorial Hospital (Patient Transporter) - June to December 2025
Description?
- Town of Abingdon, Coomes Recreation Center (Lifeguard + Swim Coach) - May 2021 – August 2024.
- Virginia State Senate (Senate Page) - January to March 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Successfully secured \$645,881 of fundraising through fundraising and grant writing.
- **Co-President of End Overdose UVA.** Managed and assisted in foundation operations for the club centered around raising awareness for recognizing and treating opioid overdose.
- **Strong understanding of the workings of social media, including multiple videos with one million plus engagements.**
- **Skilled in video editing, graphic design principles, and live broadcasting.**
- **Sigma Phi Society Alpha of Virginia, 2024 – present. Associate Social Chair, 2024-25.** Participated in planning and organizing the fraternity's social calendar and philanthropy events.
- Set up and optimized social media accounts across platforms including X, Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn.
- Assisted in the launch and execution of a \$1m charitable campaign for continuity of care for unpaid patients.
- Scheduled and coordinated press conferences with local community partners.
- Skilled in composing high-quality proposals, narratives, applications, and supporting documents (IRS determination, 990's, board lists, etc.).
- Skilled in prospecting grants from private and public funding sources.
- Skilled private and public grant writing to local, state, and federal agencies, and private corporations/foundations.
- Skilled in being a liaison between high net-worth philanthropists to the grantee(s).
- Skilled in design, content writing, and creation of annual reports and impact reports.
- Skilled in creative strategic communication and marketing materials for various solicitations and opportunities.
- Skilled in preparing legislative, financial, and programmatic reports.
- **Skilled in community engagement – providing representation at community meetings, advisory councils, and board meetings.**
- Skilled in media outreach (to journalists and correspondents and maintaining media distribution lists).
- Skilled in the creation of newsletters and communications (direct mail and digital).
- Skilled in updating accreditation accounts such as Candid/GuideStar, Charity Navigator, and Better Business Bureau Wise Giving.
- Radio interview discussion outreach and goals
- Collaborated with nonprofit leadership and stakeholders during investment review meetings.
- **Revised grant-writing templates and application materials for clarity and consistency.**
- **Maintained and updated master grant files and grant proposal forms to support fundraising efforts.**
- **Wrote thank you letters**

- Created and distributed an FAQ sheet.
- Created dental models
- Identified an error in a project management budget

TECHNICAL SKILLS

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SOFTWARE SKILLS

Adobe Suite	Microsoft Office	Google Suite	Zoom
CapCut	DaVinci Resolve	SPSS	R Studio
Dropbox	Cause IQ	Constant Contact	ProPublica
OBS Studio	Twitch	Discord	LinkedIn
X	Instagram	TikTok	YouTube

AFFILIATIONS

- Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America (Member since 2015, Eagle since 2021)
- Active Member, Abingdon United Methodist Church, 2008 – present
- Town of Abingdon Volunteer
- Volunteer at Virginia Dental Association Foundation, Mission of Mercy Clinics – Extraction and Denture

AWARDS

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IN THE NEWS

- Interview with Emory and Henry <https://player.captivate.fm/episode/625af974-3615-40f6-abac-16ee0492c969/>
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