

DARE MIGHTY THINGS

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SOCIAL SERVICES CONSULTING • TRAINING • PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

INTRODUCTION

Dare Mighty Things (DMT) is a veteran-owned consulting and training company that specializes in launching and scaling new programs that impact vulnerable populations. We deliver complete solutions that incorporate program design, management, training, technical assistance, and performance assessment. Our goal is to deliver consulting and training solutions that result in important social outcomes.

Our clients are federal program officers and nonprofit leaders who are responsible for developing large scale social ventures. Over the last twenty years, we have worked with hundreds of public sector entrepreneurs within the Departments of Justice, Labor, Defense, and Health and Human Services, and a variety of large nonprofit organizations. We work hard to forge close partnerships with our clients to ensure their success.

Our substantive knowledge centers on the needs of vulnerable populations and the core strategies that are effective in helping them succeed. The specific populations we serve include:

- » Children of prisoners
- » High school dropouts
- » Military families
- » Prisoners and ex-prisoners
- » Traumatized children

In addition, DMT has developed deep domain knowledge in a variety of strategies that are fundamental to helping vulnerable populations. These areas include:

- » Nonprofit organizational development
- » Mentoring high risk populations
- » Transition to work and adulthood
- » Reentry and aftercare strategies

Finally, DMT has mastered the following core competencies that we have found are essential in launching and scaling all social ventures:

- » Project management
- » Program research and design
- » Benchmarking
- » Curriculum development
- » Training delivery
- » Technical assistance
- » Event management
- » Performance management

The fact that the National Guard Youth Challenge Program has become an unmatched success is the direct result of the high-quality training and technical assistance that DMT has provided to Challenge over the past ten years.

Joe Padilla, Deputy Chief, Office of Athletics and Youth Development, NGB

STAFFING

Dare Mighty Things was founded and is led by President and CEO David Van Patten, a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and well-known entrepreneurial activist in social initiatives.

The entrepreneurial and professional ingenuity of a combined 750+ years of thought leadership and action are embodied in our senior management and professional staff. Our team of full time professionals represents a wealth of intellectual capital and experience in government, business, nonprofit, social sciences, human services, and military leadership.

Our 50+ full time professional staff hold advanced degrees in a wide range of related disciplines including business, public policy, law, communications, education, organizational development, finance, social work, and counseling.

We are organized into dynamic project teams that align with the specific needs of our clients. Most of our staff is engaged in multiple client engagements each year. Our full time professionals are augmented by a bench of independent consultants and contractors who are fully integrated into our project teams and provide subject matter expertise in a wide range of disciplines.

BENEFITS

DMT has established three offices in New York City; Arlington, VA; and Portsmouth, NH. Our corporate headquarters, Creative Learning Solutions division, and state-of-the-art training complex are located in Portsmouth, NH. Front line professional staff members, including project managers and consultants, are based in New York and Arlington, VA. Some are also located onsite with our clients in various locations throughout Washington, DC.

Our Creative Learning Solutions (CLS) division was formally established in 2009 to support analysis, design, and development of our end-to-end technology infused training and consulting solutions in response to our growing client needs. These include e-communities of practice, website development and support, and interactive classroom and e-learning experiences. The CLS group was put in place to ensure DMT is developing and maintaining the very highest standard of technology in our engagements while delivering

efficient, best-in-class service. The department is responsible for managing hardware and service needs for our client websites, virtual learning environments, content development, and management systems.

OBJECTIVES

Over the last twenty years, DMT has worked for hundreds of federal agencies, foundations, and nonprofit organizations. Our client list includes:

- » Beamer Foundation
- » DeVos Family Foundation
- » DOD Employer Support for Guard and Reserve
- » DOD Office of the Secretary of Defense
- » DOJ Office for Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
- » DOL Employment and Training Administration
- » Eckerd Foundation
- » HHS Administration for Children and Families
- » HHS Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration
- » National Guard Bureau
- » National Mentoring Partnership
- » Prison Fellowship International
- » Public/Private Ventures
- » Salvation Army
- » YouthBuild USA

Dare Mighty Things examined every aspect of our program. They developed concrete strategies and presented us with a range of solutions that immediately moved us forward and put us back on the path to success.

Dare Mighty Things saved our program and in the process many thousands of kids received the help they needed to succeed.

*Harry Wilson, Associate Commissioner,
HHS Family and Youth Services Bureau*

SERVICES

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