CHRISTOPHER SWINDLE

MANAGER & BUSINESS DEVELOPER

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Skills & Software

Employee Engagement Excellent Communication Training and Development **Project Management**

Team Leadership Aspire Budget Management Strategic Planning

Public Speaking Business Development B2B/B2C Sales **Relationship Building**

Employment

Branch Manager

LandCare, Nashville, TN

- Led a culture focused on service, quality, safety and LandCare Core Values. •
- Reviewed and managed annual budget of \$3 million, P&L performance, and maintained the overall health of the business.
- Developed and implemented branch goals and personal growth goals for team members.
- Created and managed monthly forecasts, labor plans, inventory, payroll, annual budgets, and overall performance growth of the branch.
- Increased customer retention rate and then maintained at 85 90% through white-glove customer service interactions.
- Increased portfolio value through creating and developing new relationships with customers and developing a growth strategy for Nashville market.

Business Development Manager

LandCare, Nashville, TN

- Grew customer portfolio's by cultivating and maintaining business relationships with new and existing customers.
- Developed new relationships with prospective customers through networking, lunch and learns, and outbound calls.
- Organized and led networking events to represent LandCare as a leader in the industry.

Account Manager

Vision Security Technologies, Nashville, TN

- Responsible for outbound calls, referrals, and cold call sales in low voltage security, including video surveillance, access control, audio, perimeter security and hosted/managed services.
- Negotiated and closed 6 new accounts from May 2018 present, totaling to \$350k
- Hosted 15+ Lunch and Learns from May 2018 February 2021.
- Touches (calls/email) to 350+ contacts on 4 6 week basis

March 2021 – *December* 2021

April 2018 – February 2021

January 2022 – January 2024

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Account Sales Representative

Color Burst Landscapes, Nashville, TN

- Responsible for inbound calls, referrals, and cold call sales in landscape design installation, commercial landscape maintenance, and residential landscapes maintenance
- Negotiated and closed 100+ new accounts totaling \$1.8 mil exceeding sales goal by 25%
- Cold call and client relationship development effort secured a 3-year, approximately \$500,000 commercial landscape maintenance contract, one of the company's largest sales for that fiscal year

Account Manager

Color Burst Landscapes, Nashville, TN

- Successfully managed seventy-five accounts with annualized total revenue over \$1.65 million
- Connected with each customer/account weekly via phone, property walk, email, in person or other form of communication to maintain relationship.
- Provided problem solving solutions on properties for aesthetic appeal, removal of diseased/dying plant materials, and budgetary concerns
- Continuous professional improvement through professional development groups, trade show attendance and networking functions.

Additional Employment Experience

Landscape Design/Installation	February 2013 – May 2013
Vigoro Nursery, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands	
Horticulture Teaching Assistant	August 2010 – December 2012
Auburn University, Auburn, AL	

Education

<u>Auburn University, Auburn, AL</u> Master of Science in Horticulture Bachelor of Science in Horticulture

Awards, Committees, and Professional Memberships

International Facility Management Association (IFMA)	2014 – present
Building Owners Management Association (BOMA)	2014 – present
Greater Nashville Apartment Association (GNAA)	2014 - 2018
Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM)	2014 - 2018
Community Association Institute (CAI)	2014 - 2018
Force Five – Sales Mentorship Program	2013 - 2018
Auburn Athletic Department Public Relations Hosts and Hostesses,	2008 - 2012
Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity	2005 - 2010

October 2013 – March 2018

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December 2012

May 2010

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