

Meghan Brascia-Burns

Manager of Grant Services

Meghan Brascia-Burns is a Las Vegas native and the Manager of Grant Services at Nevada Grant Lab, where she combines her expertise in grant strategy with a deep commitment to advancing educational equity. With a background in teaching and a passion for advocacy, Meghan works to ensure students and families—particularly those in underserved communities—have access to programs that promote academic success, mental health support, and economic mobility.

Meghan's journey began in the classroom, where she taught in Catholic, charter, and public Title I schools in Las Vegas and Denver, CO. After earning her Master's in Elementary Education, she transitioned into grant writing, blending her advocacy experience with a strategic focus on funding solutions for programs that align with their organization mission and goals. Over three years as a grant writer, client manager, and eventually director, Meghan was pivotal in securing over \$100 million in competitive grants and community projects across multiple federal agencies. Her successful awards include funding from the Economic Development Administration's Reconnect Pilot Program, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the U.S. Department of Education. Notable Department of Education awards include the Magnet Schools Assistance Program, Full-Service Community Schools, and Charter School Program grant. These grants have funded critical initiatives such as community-based workforce and economic development, school-based mental health services, STEAM education, and two-generation family support models. Her work has empowered nonprofits and local government agencies across Puerto Rico and California to expand access to resources and services that drive meaningful change.

