# SANTO NAPOLI

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A seasoned entrepreneur operating successful small businesses for over 23 years in downtown Allentown and also managing a real estate portfolio of commercial and residential properties in Allentown and Reading, PA.

### **EXPERIENCE**

## NOVEMBER 2014 – PRESENT OWNER, ASSEMBLY88

Realized a void in the Men's market so I created a Men's shop in Downtown Allentown catering to downtown workers, residents and many customers from the surrounding suburbs. Winner of "Best Mens shop of the LV" for 4 years and based on customer feedback a Women's version of the store is slated to open July/August 2023 which will also be in Downtown Allentown.

#### **JUNE 1999 - DECEMBER 2018**

## OWNER, NEW YORK URBAN INC / THE ARCHIVE

Grew a retail store catering to neighborhood families to 4 locations including 2 on Hamilton Street, Reading and Easton, PA. Created over 300 jobs mostly from nearby neighborhoods. In 2014 created a school uniform division which became a top supplier of school uniforms to ASD families, charities, and ASD schools. Proud to have mentored many employees who created small businesses of their own and have achieved success in Allentown.

#### JANUARY 2011 - PRESENT

#### CO-OWNER, NAP PROPERTIES, LLC

Professionally manage a portfolio of 47 residential and commercial properties in Reading and Allentown, PA. Ranked the #5 landlord in Reading by the Reading Eagle newspaper and have developed working relationships with Reading Housing Authority, Berks Coalition to End Homelessness, Valley Youth House, and Ripple Community Inc.

#### **JULY 1996 - FEBRUARY 1999**

## CO-OWNER, SNEAKER ZONE, INC

Started a family sneaker and sporting goods store at Tilghman Square Allentown and grew the business to a 2<sup>nd</sup> location in Downtown Easton, PA. Developed partnerships with local youth sports organizations and athletic departments from local school districts to supply merchandise.

### **EDUCATION**

DECEMBER 1994

**B.A. IN MARKETING, ALVERNIA UNIVERSITY** 

## **SKILLS**

- Budgeting/Fiscal Responsibility
- Adaptability based on changing needs
- Maintaining a growth mindset

- Bridge Builder
- Leadership
- Communication

## **VOLUNTEERISM**

#### **APRIL 2013 - PRESENT**

## CHAIR, DOWNTOWN ALLENTOWN BUSINESS ALLIANCE

Began volunteering in 2013 to help promote the small businesses in Downtown Allentown. In 2015 I was named volunteer of the year and in 2016 I was chosen to chair the program. I developed the AMP Downtown Gift Card Program which have sold over \$325,000 over that time and all gift cards must be used with downtown merchants. During Covid, DABA worked with all the downtown merchants to assist with grant programs and business building workshops.

#### JUNE 2018 - PRESENT

# MEMBER, ALLENTOWN PARKING AUTHORITY

Appointed by Mayor O'Connell to bring my experience as a merchant relating to parking and how to improve the experience for visitors and customers coming downtown. Worked together with Mayor O'Connell and Craig Messinger to move street sweeping downtown to overnight to not impact visitors and customers who were receiving parking tickets during the day. Base on merchant feedback on 7<sup>th</sup> street we helped create a plan for a surface lot to add parking and alleviate double parking. Currently involved in the development of delivery zone parking and also a new initiative to create more surface lots in the densest neighborhoods in center city.

#### MAY 2019 - PRESENT

## MEMBER, ALLENTOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Work with business owners and individuals throughout Allentown to stimulate economic activity within the City of Allentown. It is the ACC's mission to create, maintain and expand an environment conducive to the economic growth and benefit both the ACC's members and the City of Allentown as a whole.

### SEPTEMBER 2022 - PRESENT

## MEMBER, BLIGHTED PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Review Blighted Properties to first determine they meet at least one of the 12 Blight criteria and then again officially certify them blighted. Once a property is certified blighted, the redevelopment authority can take the properties through eminent domain.

#### SEPTEMBER 2015 - DECEMBER 2019

## MEMBER, MUHLEBERG COLLEGE BOARD OF ASSOCIATES

The purpose of the Muhlenberg College Board of Associates (BOA) is to serve as community ambassadors for Muhlenberg College and to generate support for its strategic initiatives. I was an ambassador for Downtown Allentown merchants and small businesses to engage with the college student population along with faculty and alumnus.

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#### **DEAR ALLENTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

I respectfully am applying for the open Allentown City Council seat.

We live in a special place. Allentown is full of talented, passionate, and diverse residents who care about our city and want to see it thrive for everyone.

My 25+ years of experience managing and growing small businesses and a real estate portfolio have provided a skill set that I believe is very valuable for a position such as City Council. Attributes like problem-solving, adaptability, communication, fiscal responsibility, and partnering with community organizations have helped me grow professionally and personally.

I ran as a candidate in the 2021 Primary because I felt someone like myself could add to the diversity of Allentown City Council. The small business community is a vital and diverse part of our city and they need a voice on Council. I'd like to pursue equitable economic development in all neighborhoods citywide and create more local job opportunities. It's also imperative we inspire and encourage entrepreneurship and small business with our younger residents who will become stakeholders in their communities and inspire the next generation.

Improving the quality of our housing stock is pivotal to providing a better quality of life for Allentown residents and our neighborhoods. Holding landlords accountable and protecting city residents from substandard housing conditions and absentee landlords is paramount. This also includes identifying vacant blighted properties and after renovations selling them to local families plus getting them back on the tax rolls. Landlord engagement must also be improved for our tenants citywide. I'd like to inspire other professional landlords to work with community organizations to help at risk residents get back on their feet.

We may come from all walks of life but we all have one thing in common – we love our city and we want to see it grow and prosper for everyone. I believe we can connect our community better and jobs and housing are pivotal to reaching our goals. My experience and desire to help is why I believe I would be a great choice for Allentown City Council.

Sincerely.

Santo Napoli

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

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