

## **Travis Smith, Recreation Specialist – Clark County**

Travis currently lives in Las Vegas, and has lived there all his life. He attended the College of Southern Nevada and University of Nevada Las Vegas where he studied business management. He has worked in Parks & Recreation with Clark County since 2011. He started his career as a lifeguard. He has worked at multiple pools in Clark County and has worked his way up through pool management, managing multiple facilities and mentoring staff that have become pool managers themselves. He, then, applied for a full-time Recreation Specialist position in 2016. He was hired, and began in October 2016. Travis has worked full-time at the Hollywood Aquatic Center and Desert Breeze Aquatic Facility. He currently holds certifications for lifeguarding, CPR/ED and first aid, Water Safety Instructor, and Lifeguarding Instructor. He is also certified as a Red Cross Lifeguarding Instructor Trainer and a Water Safety Instructor Trainer.

During his career, Travis has also been an active member in NRPS. He has been an active member in the South Aquatics Committee where he currently serves as Vice Chair, and has been the chair of the committee for planning and hosting the Southern Nevada Guard Games for two years. He also served as a member of the NRPS Conference Awards committee this past year. He is passionate about training and mentoring, empowering employees to be the best they can be, and creating positive, team-focused work environments.

Finally, Travis strongly believes that it is through Parks & Recreation that our communities thrive.

