Anthony Garcia

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CITIZENSHIP & ELIGIBILITY

- **Citizenship:** United States Citizen
- **Federal Eligibility:** Eligible and ready to obtain and maintain a Government Security Clearance.

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Highly motivated and proactive IT Support Professional and Cybersecurity student with hands-on experience providing technical support and endpoint security compliance in a fast-paced state government environment. Proven ability to troubleshoot enterprise hardware/software, resolve local area network (LAN/Wi-Fi) anomalies, and secure device baselines for legislative staff. Combines practical infrastructure experience with active, hands-on development of a cybersecurity virtualization home lab (Kali Linux, Wireshark). Completely committed to continuous professional growth through the Maryland Service Year Option Program while actively completing academic tracks toward a career in Federal Cyber Defense.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Maryland Department of Legislative Services *Legislative Assistant – IT Support Apprentice (Maryland Corps Program)* **Address:** Legislative Services Building, 90 State Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401 **Dates of Employment:** September 2025 – Present **Hours Per Week:** 40 Hours / Week **Salary:** $15.00 / Hour *(Plus $6,000 completion stipend)* **Supervisor:** Department IT Support Manager *(Contact allowed)*

- **Enterprise Endpoint Security:** Serve as the initial point of contact on the DLS Help Desk, providing secure technical troubleshooting and identity verification support to state legislators and staff via phone, email, and in-person channels.
- **Baseline Compliance Auditing:** Troubleshoot, patch, and maintain enterprise laptops, desktops, mobile devices, and peripheral equipment to ensure alignment with agency cybersecurity baseline standards.
- **Network & Connectivity Support:** Diagnose and resolve local area network (LAN), wireless network (Wi-Fi), and protocol configuration issues to ensure uninterrupted, secure legislative operations.
- **Software Implementation:** Administer basic system installations, execute mandatory security updates, and push software patches to remediate known endpoint vulnerabilities.
- **Asset Management & Control:** Unbox, inventory, and cryptographically asset-tag hardware deployments via barcoding systems to maintain a rigorous chain of custody and data integrity control.
- **Upgrade Project Liaison:** Active participant in hardware/software migration projects and floor automation system overhauls during intensive legislative sessions, maintaining strict confidentiality and operational security safeguards.

TECHNICAL PROJECTS (CYBERSECURITY HOME LAB)

Virtualization, Network Auditing, & Penetration Testing Environment | *Personal Development*

- **Hypervisor Management:** Designed and deployed a virtualized security testing sandbox using VMware Workstation Pro on a Windows desktop environment.
- **Operating System Administration:** Configured and managed isolated virtual instances of **Kali Linux** and **Metasploitable** to analyze adversarial behavior and exploit execution mechanics safely.
- **Traffic Analysis:** Utilized **Wireshark** to capture, filter, and inspect local packet captures (PCAPs), developing a foundational capability to recognize irregular protocols and malicious network traffic.
- **Vulnerability Frameworks:** Conducted research and review sessions mapping system exposures to standard documentation models, practicing identification of exploits, system vulnerabilities, and technical controls.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Prince George's Community College (PGCC) | *Largo, MD*

- **Degree Track:** Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Cybersecurity
- **Status:** Active Enrollment (Academic Year 2026-2027)

Professional Training & Certifications in Progress:

- **Google Cybersecurity Certificate** | *Expected Completion: 2026*