



*The Milwaukee Mental Health Task Force is the voice of the community on issues related to the quality and responsiveness of mental health and substance use disorder services.*

## **About Our Speakers: December 14th Mental Health Task Force Meeting**

### **Sheriff Earnell R. Lucas**



Sheriff Earnell R. Lucas was elected the 65<sup>th</sup> Sheriff of Milwaukee County on November 6, 2018. He is committed to restoring honor, integrity and trust in the Sheriff's Office by treating everyone with dignity and respect. Sheriff Lucas commands a staff that is responsible for safety and security at Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport, the Milwaukee County Circuit Courts, the Milwaukee County Jail and the Milwaukee County parks and freeway systems.

Sheriff Lucas was born in Milwaukee's Hillside Terrace housing project and raised by his grandmother. He is a product of the Milwaukee Public Schools system and earned a bachelor's degree *cum laude* in criminology and law studies from Marquette University.

Sheriff Lucas was inspired to a career in law enforcement at an early age after an encounter with a police officer, which showed him the awesome authority and trust the public places in police officers. In a 25-year career with the Milwaukee Police Department, he served as the department's public information officer and as a district commander and retired at the rank of captain. Sheriff Lucas survived a gunshot wound as a young officer but overcame it to finish his career.

Sheriff Lucas enjoyed a 17-year career with Major League Baseball prior to becoming sheriff. He rose to oversee all of security at Major League Baseball as the Vice President of Security & Facility Management and later served as the Chief Liaison of Security & Investigations. His career took him to all parts of the world overseeing security operations, conducting sensitive investigations and safeguarding the integrity of the game of baseball at the major and minor league levels.

Sheriff Lucas and his wife reside in Milwaukee and attend St. Matthew C.M.E. Church, where he has been an active member for over 50 years.

### **Ana Paula Soares, MS, LPC**

Bilingual Licensed Professional Counselor

Clinical Director of the Mental Health Campaign *Escucha tus Emociones - Cuida tu Vida*.



Ana Paula Soares is a licensed psychotherapist with over 15 years of experience providing bilingual counseling and trauma healing in the community. Since Ana Paula moved to the US from South America, Brazil, in 2005, she works with non-profit organizations, educational institutions and government agencies locally and nationally developing and implementing projects, providing leadership development training and consultation in the areas of immigration and mental health, social and racial justice, historical and generational trauma. Ana Paula is the clinical director and coordinator for the mental health campaign *Escucha tus Emociones – Cuida to Vida*.

## **Tim Grove, Senior Trainer, SaintA**



Tim has 25 years of professional experience in a variety of direct care and administrative positions including In-Home Services, Foster Care, Treatment Foster Care, Residential Treatment, Child Welfare, Community-Based Services, Quality Improvement, and Staff Development. As the senior leader of Trauma Informed Care (TIC) initiatives across all agency programs, he was responsible for implementing SaintA's TIC philosophy and practices, including Dr. Bruce Perry's Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics (NMT). He also created a TIC training curriculum centered around the Seven Essential Ingredients (7ei) of understanding and practicing TIC. He is a Mentor with the ChildTrauma Academy and a Master Trainer in Dr. Rob Anda

and Laura Porter's ACE Interface curriculum. Grove and the SaintA team's work has been highlighted in various media, including a 2018 60 Minutes segment with special correspondent Oprah Winfrey and a three-year research study on the effectiveness of 7ei in child welfare published by the Journal of Child Custody in 2019.