2023 Building Bridges Community Experience October 4-5, 2023 PRESENTERS Bios



Atchison, LaMarr. LaMarr Atchison is the re-entry director and also a peer to peer specialist at South Street Ministries. Through his lived experience, he is able to share what peer support meant to him, and how it shaped his reentry path. He is now able to walk alongside others who need his support and guidance. His mission is to convey to others what Christ shared with him, which is love and grace. Through Christ and compassion he goes into this world to be a light.



Burkes-Trowsdell, Roni. Roni Burkes-Trowsdell has over 23 years of service with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction and has served in various capacities including more recently as Warden, Regional Director of Specialty Prisons and currently as the Deputy Director of Reentry. Roni has been honored with numerous awards and recognitions to include the 2019 Governor's Award for Arts in Community Development and Participation and the 2017 Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Warden of the Year. Roni earned a master's degree in

Criminal Justice Administration from Tiffin University and a Bachelor of Science from the University of Akron. She is the Immediate Past President of the Ohio Wardens and Superintendents Association. She is also a lifetime member of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice and a life member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., where she has served for over 33 years.



Chonjnowski, Taryn. Taryn Chojnowski is a Case Manager at Catholic Charities. Peer to peer interaction has been paramount for her recovery, as well as in other areas of her life. She shared that there is no power differential, no judgment, and immense understanding that can't be duplicated by one who lacks lived experience. Most importantly it is knowing that there is a connection with the unspoken words of someone who understands her and has also been in her shoes. Having felt like a black sheep her whole life, peers have connected with her making her feel valued and not alone. She

feels that it is her moral obligation and duty to pass along what has learned from her peers to others, as she would not be here today if they were not such an integral part of her recovery.



Congelosi, Elisha. Ms. Cangelosi has served the children and families of Ohio for 25 years, beginning in 1998, when she worked as a student in community mental health in Columbus, Ohio. That early experience led to a passion for serving children and families struggling with mental health and behavioral concerns, leading to over 15 years of experience in clinical social work, including work in the field of aging, quality assurance, project management, service coordination, and teaching as a

community instructor for The Ohio State University College of Social Work. In 2013, Ms. Cangelosi joined Franklin County Children Services as the Associate Director of Provider Services, where she was responsible for oversight of the agency's purchased provider services and system level partnerships, medical services for children in custody, and for spearheading the agency's work around Medicaid Managed Care redesign. Ms. Cangelosi was later named Director of Provider Services and Clinical Supports, and then Executive member, at Franklin County Children Services, before joining state government as the Deputy Director of OhioRISE at the Ohio Department of Medicaid. In late 2021, Ms. Cangelosi assumed the role of Executive Director of Ohio Family and Children First, where she is honored to continue to serve today.

Cox, Harry. Harry Cox is a Licensed Independent Chemical Dependency Counselor who works for Accompanying Returning Citizens with Hope (ARCH) and Alvis 180 impact in Columbus, Ohio. In his title role at ARCH as a Workforce Development Coordinator, Mr. Cox provides guidance information to clients, professionals, and leaders in the community to build bridges that will support public initiatives and Senate bills for individuals returning home from incarceration, struggling internal and external barriers (employment, housing, addiction, mental health, and developmental disabilities). Mr. Cox has earned a Master of Science Degree in Addiction Counseling from Grand

Canyon University and a Master of Arts in Addiction and Spiritual Counseling from Ohio Christian University. Mr. Cox is currently enrolled in the Doctor of Philosophy in General Psychology program. Mr. Cox has been recognized as Honor Graduate Ohio Christian University, All Ohio Louis Stokes TRIO award, M.A.N. of the Year Nominee, President of Trio, and am an Alumni of the Cultural Diversity program at Columbus State Community College., In addition, Mr. Cox is recognized as a member of Alpha Chi, Phi Theta Kappa (Pinnacle), and Phi Theta Kappa honor society.



Davis, Dr. Michael. Michael Davis, Ph.D., currently serves as Chief in the Office of Recreation and Religious Services for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (ODRC). In this role it is his responsibility to coordinate and provide central leadership for the development of institutional pro-social activities, religious services and programs. Additionally, he collaborates with national, state and local organizations to promote effective faith-based reentry programming models. Prior to his

current position, Dr. Davis served in several other capacities for the ODRC over the course of his career. These positions have included: Bureau Chief of the Office of Reentry and Enterprise Development, Deputy Warden, Deputy Communications Chief, and Assistant Administrator in the Office of Victim Services. Dr. Davis received his PhD from the graduate school of leadership and change at Antioch University

Delaney,Greg. Pastor Greg Delaney, B.S. is a distinguished leader and ordained minister who has dedicated his life to the field of faith-based recovery, advocating for effective approaches to addiction recovery that integrate faith and spirituality. Currently serving as the Senior Community Engagement Specialist for WOODHAVEN OHIO (www.woodhavenohio.com), Pastor Delaney plays a vital role in bridging the gap between individuals struggling with addiction and opportunities for sustained recovery. His commitment to establishing quality connections within the recovery community has been instrumental in transforming lives and fostering lasting change. In recognition of his outstanding contributions, he was honored with the prestigious 2023 OACBHA (Ohio Association of Behavioral Health Authorities) President's Award. Pastor Delaney's expertise extends beyond his local community. As a member of Governor Mike DeWine's RecoveryOhio initiative, he actively participates in shaping policies and programs that promote recovery and support individuals on their journey to wellness. In his role as a National ENCOMPASS "Navigating Addiction" Trainer for Addiction Policy Forum, he trains and equips individuals across the country with the knowledge and tools needed to navigate the complexities of addiction. His collaboration and educator. Through his work, Pastor Delaney seeks to foster meaningful partnerships that address the needs of individuals struggling with addiction and promote holistic healing.



Dell, Bryan. I am a graduate of Northern Kentucky University's Master of Arts in Integrated Studies program, in addition to earning my BSW and AARTS degrees. I have worked in higher education for the last 7 ½ years, but also, I have been very active in multiple community organizations for the past 10 years. I am currently the Director of the Black Male Initiative at Cincinnati State Technical & Community College and a big advocate for higher education opportunities for everybody. As an

admission recruiter, I would love to assist you with your onboarding processes to Cincinnati State. If you have questions, doubts, or would like more information, please contact me at: bryan.dell@cincinnatistate.edu or call 513-569-4762 (office) 513-362-0979 (cell). Thanks



Dimick, Tori. My name is Tori Dimick, I work as a reentry case manager in Morrow and Delaware Counties. My passion for reentry stems from personal experience with a loved one involved in the justice system. As a reentry case manager, I am able to offer support to returning citizens through a community of resources. I also have a bachelor's degree in psychology, and a master's degree in criminal justice.

Foulk, Dr. Lisa. Dr. Foulk has been a Psychologist at Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare since 2008 and provides clinical and forensic psychological services to patients residing on a long-term forensic unit, K4 - the CLEAR Unit (Community Living, Education, and Recovery). Dr. Foulk provides active treatment to patients on K4 through individual and group psychotherapy, in addition to completing violence risk assessments. She is an active member of the multidisciplinary treatment team on the unit and assesses patients' current mental states and potential risk for subsequent violence upon reintegration into the community. Dr. Foulk also completes forensic evaluations for the Courts including competency to stand trial, sanity, and movement evaluations. She is active throughout the

hospital, serving on several hospital committees and provides consultations to hospital staff regarding difficult patient behaviors through her role on the Behavior Therapy Committee.

Grizincic, John. I have been employed with ODRC for over 20 years. I started off as a Parole Officer in Cuyahoga County and transferred over to Lake County. I was promoted to Senior Officer and then Supervisor of Painesville Unit, which covers Lake, Geauga and Ashtabula County. In 2019, I was selected to be the Reentry Coordinator of the Akron APA Region. The Akron APA Region covers the following counties: Ashtabula, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Geauga, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Lake, Mahoning, Portage, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas and Wayne Counties. ver my career I have had the privilege to work with Mental Health and Reentry Courts, help start several Citizen Circles as well as a Coalition and serve on the Northeast Ohio US Marshall Violent Task Force.



Harris, Donovan. Donovan Harris, a native of Akron, Ohio, and a devoted father of two, has emerged as an inspirational leader in the field of Reentry over the past 12 years. His unwavering dedicatio, is deeply rooted in a divine calling to assist individuals seeking a fresh start in life. Donovan's trailblazing efforts have reshaped the landscape of reentry programs, advocating for holistic support and opportunities for those reintegrating into society. Donovan will be sharing about

how important peer to peer relationships were to him throughout his reentry journey, as well as how he was able to walk along side LaMarr during his.

Johnson, Nathaniel. Nathaniel Johnson MSW, LSW, LCDCIII-Gamb. I am a licensed social worker and licensed chemical dependency counselor III, Ohio. I have 30 years of experience in clinical social work. I am a Member of NAADAC, the association for addiction professionals. I am the Workforce Development & Community Education Training Manager at my agency where I help people gain and retain their professional licenses and certifications, create training materials, identify training opportunities and train the community.



Kukor, Dr. Marjorie. Dr. Kukor serves as the Director of Psychology for Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare. She has been involved in promoting organizational change to a trauma informed culture and works daily to continue Twin Valley's own growth in modeling a trauma-informed philosophy. Dr. Kukor leads a staff of professionally trained clinicians with training, experience and expertise working with individuals with severe mental illness and in working within the forensic/legal system.

Levy, Jeanne. Jeanne is a community-based licensed independent social worker working with adults who have been diagnosed with severe and persistent mental illness. Jeanne is the Clinical Director of the Community Support Network, the outpatient mental health center for Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare. Jeanne oversees all clinical services provided to clients on forensic, voluntary and outpatient commitment statuses. Her therapeutic modality of choice is narrative therapy, with a high utilization of motivational interviewing. Jeanne loves facilitating group therapy and taking advantage of any opportunity to incorporate nature into her practices. Jeanne also has experience working in psychiatric emergency services and is always happy to provide direct care to individuals served.



Luettke, Tom. Tom Luettke has been a practicing attorney in Lucas County since 2003, previously working as a solo practitioner in the area of criminal defense and bankruptcy. Tom is an active member of the Reentry Coalition of Northwest Ohio helping to eliminate barriers for citizens returning from incarceration, and in 2015 Tom was hired as the Reentry Coordinator at the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. In this position Tom oversees the applications for federal reentry grants and

then manages the grants that are awarded. Lucas County has been awarded six Second Chance Act reentry grants. Tom is actively involved at the state level advocating for reentry programs and is the President of the Ohio Association of Local Reentry Coalitions. He is a director on the Toledo Fair Housing Board, secretary of the Northwest Ohio Homeowners Development Agency and is currently the president of the Lucas County Bar Association. Tom is a graduate of the University of Toledo, College of Law.



Martin, Jen. Jen Martin is the Program Chair of the Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degree programs at Cincinnati State. She has a master's degree in English Rhetoric and Composition from NKU and over 12 years of experience in student advising and curriculum development. She spends her days helping students navigate the bridge from community college to university and is passionate about providing quality academic guidance and support for transferring students.



Miller, Vickie. Vickie A. Miller has 25 years of experience in education as a Vocational Educator, Union President, Vocational Director, Labor Relations, and Human Resource Director. Many years of educational experience have allowed her to understand and resolve complex issues. Vickie Miller is a fierce advocate for restorative re-entry practices and has dedicated her career of over thirty years to ensuring returning citizens have equitable access to education and workforce development. Miller is the owner of VMConsulting and the director of the Training Assessment Placement Project (TAPP).

Drawing on her vast array of experience in correctional education and labor relations, Miller has taken a unique approach to fair chance workforce development that has drawn her recognition and accolades across Ohio and the Midwest. The TAPP program has placed many returning citizens in manufacturing careers that are custom-tailored to their strengths and their untapped talents. Because of her vision and relentless dedication to seeing the possibility in her clients, employees placed through the TAPP program see vastly higher retention rates and job advancement opportunities. Through case management, individual coaching, and skills-based coursework, Miller has created a supportive re-entry service that doesn't just create jobs, but lasting careers. Miller is a graduate of Urbana University with a Bachelor's Degree. She is credentialed from Capital Law School and Cornell University in Intensive Mediation and Arbitration.



Moseley, Rev. Dr. Sylvia. Chaplain Moseley has been employed in the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction state prison since 2013 and has served as Chaplain at Allen Correctional, Lebanon Correctional, Ohio Reformatory for Women, and presently at Dayton Correctional Institution. Chaplain Moseley also served as a jail Chaplain at Montgomery County Jail, children's hospital Chaplain at Children's in Dayton, and Hospice Chaplain at Hospice of Dayton.

Chaplain Moseley has been active in her community of Dayton Ohio serving as a board member at Power Net of Dayton, and a longtime activist with the Homicide Prayer Vigils. Rev. Dr. Moseley has a BA in history from Queens College in NYC, a Master's in Public Administration from City University in Bellevue, WA, and a Master of Divinity from Payne Theological Seminary. Rev. Dr. Moseley graduated in May 2022 with a Doctor of Ministry degree in Pastoral Care and Counseling from the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. Her dissertation title, *A Transformative Model: Providing Trauma-Informed Training For Prison Ministry Volunteers to Reach the Marginalized* received the Dr. Won Byung Roh Award for outstanding scholarship and practice in the field of Pastoral Care and Counseling. Rev. Dr. Sylvia is a member of Omega Baptist Church where she has served since 1998 as an associate minister, a ministry leader for the Social Justice ministry, and a member of the Official Board. Rev. Moseley spearheaded the annual community-wide Restoration, Recovery, and Re-Entry Conference in Dayton, Ohio. Rev. Dr. Moseley has also served as an instructor at Omega's Urban Leadership Academy. She has not only preached in the US, but she has taken her preaching gift to Ocho Rios, Jamaica, and Soweto, South Africa. Rev. Dr. Sylvia is married to Rev. John T. Robinson, Jr., they have a blended family of five sons, three grandsons, and a great-grandson.



Palmer, Rev. Gregory. Bishop Gregory Vaughn Palmer serves as the episcopal leader of the Ohio West Area of The United Methodist Church. He was assigned there on Sept. 1, 2012. Bishop Palmer received his undergraduate degree from George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and the Master of Divinity degree from Duke University Divinity School, Durham, North Carolina. Baldwin-Wallace College, Iowa Wesleyan College, Simpson College, Hood Theological Seminary and Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary awarded him honorary degrees. He was ordained a deacon

and elected a probationary member in the Eastern Pennsylvania Annual Conference in 1977. In 1981, he was elected into full membership and ordained an elder in the East Ohio Annual Conference. His pastoral career includes student pastorates in North Carolina and post-seminary appointments in the East Ohio Conference in Cleveland, Canton and Berea. Palmer also served as superintendent of the Youngstown District of the East Ohio Conference. Elected to the episcopacy by the North Central Jurisdictional Conference in 2000, Palmer served the Iowa Area until assuming responsibilities in the Illinois Area in 2008. Palmer served as president of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry from 2004 to 2008 and president of the Council of Bishops from April 2008

to May 2010. Palmer served on the Commission on a Way Forward. Currently, he is a member of the Standing Committee on Central Conference Matters and chair of the Comprehensive Africa Plan. He also is a board member of several organizations, including The United Methodist Publishing House, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, United Theological Seminary and OhioHealth, a family of nonprofit hospitals and health care facilities.



Platt, Matt. Matt Platt, who currently resides in Akron, is going to share his re-entry experience after being released from 33 years of incarceration. He started creating a re-entry plan the last few years that he was in prison, and now encourages other prisoners to start forming a network system even before they are released. He worked with True Freedom ministries to overcome some of his

initial obstacles such as employment, housing and transportation. Since his release 3 years ago, Matt has been promoted several times at his job and is currently a supervisor. He recently bought a new vehicle and last month purchased his first home. Matt's credit score is currently in the mid-700s which he was able to build up upon his release from a score of zero. He attributes his successes to the Grace of God, his hard work/determination and a strong support system. He loves sharing his story with others to let everyone know that successful reentry is possible.



Ruppel, Zach. Zachary R. Ruppel is a passionate advocate for restorative re-entry practices and works to help change the narrative surrounding criminal justice in Ohio and beyond. A trained educator, Zach understands that the best education is a lived experience. Since his conviction, Zach has used his lived experience and emerging voice as an advocate to challenge perceptions and

change hearts and minds. In 2019, he was selected to serve as the outreach administrator for the Central Ohio Restored Citizens' Collaborative where he works hand-in-hand with city, county, and state officials to help achieve change in rehabilitative and re-entry practices. As Chairman of the Board for Ohio Rational Sexual Offense Laws, he also championed efforts at the Ohio Statehouse and in the community to create legislation and policies that truly reduce risk and makes everyone in the community safer. Zach is the National Policy Director for JustLeadershipUSA. He is also a JustLeadershipUSA Fellow and a graduate of their National Leading with Conviction cohort. He is thrilled to be a part of the Community Experience and sincerely appreciates the restorative justice work of the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Simmons, Lola. Lola Simmons serves as the Executive Director of the Home for Good Re-Entry Resource Referral Center, established in November of 2013, located in Youngstown, Ohio. The mission of this agency is to assist those who have been involved in the criminal justice system as they navigate through barriers to become self-sustaining, responsible individuals, possessing the ability to contribute to their families and the community. Home for Good was the recent recipient of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Reentry Coalition Expansion Grant, covering Ashtabula, Columbiana, Trumbull and Mahoning Counties. Lola Simmons oversees all daily operations of the agency, working closely with the Office of Reentry of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, State of Ohio Department of Youth Services 21-year-old release Group, and daily collaborative efforts with the ever-increasing pool of valued community partners in the Mahoning Valley. Lola serves as a Chairperson of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Mahoning County Citizen's Circle. Prior to her current position, Lola Simmons was Program Director of The Greater Youngstown Point, the only daytime homeless drop-in center in the Tri-County area. She began at the agency as Lead Case Manager, and later became the Homeless Information Management Information System Director. Her responsibilities focused on working with those who were homeless, oftentimes living on the streets and facing a multitude of barriers by equipping them with the tools necessary to improve their quality of life. Lola Simmons retired with over 25 years of service in the corporate world as a Quality Assurance Metallurgical Certifications at CSC, Ltd., Champion Township, Ohio.



Tucker, Colleen. Colleen Tucker, BSS, MBA has been in social services for more than 22 years. She is currently the Assistant Executive Director for Ohio Family and Children First (OFCF). Prior to joining OFCF, Ms. Tucker has served in many roles, including as a children services caseworker, Business Analyst on Ohio's Statewide Automated Child Welfare System (OhioSACWIS) and most recently, she was the Bureau Chief of Foster Care Licensing for the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services -

Office of Families in Children. In these roles, she had the opportunity to collaborate with internal and external partners to improve outcomes for families and children involved with the Child Welfare System.

Urbanski, Brian. Brian Urbanski has been a housing provider in Columbus for over 20 years. In 2022, he and his wife, Jody, established the Abbrey Affordable Housing Foundation, which provides "Fair Chance" housing support and services for restored citizens. Housing is provided through their sister company, Abbrey Homes, and many other housing providers in their network. Mr. Urbanski has appeared on local NBC-4 news and the WOSU Radio Show, All Sides with Ann Fisher, to share his real estate expertise. He has also written articles as a Real Estate Advisor for Columbus Business First newspaper, and he speaks at local real estate investment groups, Rotary Clubs and other service organizations to advocate for Fair Chance housing for restored citizens. Mr. Urbanski attended The Ohio State University to study Business Administration and Marketing but left before obtaining his bachelor's degree to pursue starting his first of several businesses. Mr. Urbanski lives in Delaware County, Ohio, with Jody and their two teenage children, who also help in the business.