

DEBBIE LASSITER, D.Div

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

A community focused, results-oriented professional with 50 years of experience working with individuals recovering from trauma. Over forty years of experience in banking and information technology supporting over 55,000 users. Excellent leadership, team building, problem solving, personnel development and organizational skills. Outstanding presentation, communication and training skills. A visionary consistently creating new ways to help others and spark change.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Executive Director Convergence Resource Center – Milwaukee, WI 2004 - present

Cultivate, manage and train volunteer staff (300+) of the Convergence Resource Center. Develop programs, perform presentations and oversee the overall operation. Provide support and mentoring for staff and those in need of services.

Education and Certifications

- Certification of Completion – Introductory Training for Victim Service Providers (2024)
- Certified Heartmath Coach (2017) and Trainer (2018)
- National Victim Assistance Academy Leadership Institute (2018)
- Certified Ending The Game Facilitator and Trainer (2017)
- Certified Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorders Educator (2012)
- Doctorate of Divinity, St Thomas Christian College (2005)
- Trauma Informed Care Overview and Trauma 101 – Trainer
- Licensed Minister (New Testament Church of Milwaukee (2002)

Awards and Recognition

- Humanitarian Heart Award – Cancun, Mexico (2018)
- Thomas G Cannon Equal Justice Medal (2018)
- AKA Target V Global Impact Award (2017)
- SPBA Citizen's Distinguish Service Award (2016)
- Recognized as one of the 50 heroes of Fortune 500 (2014)
- Awarded by the Department of Justice of South Eastern Wisconsin – National Victim's Rights Week (2014)
- First Responder Training (Sexual assault/Sexual abuse)

Employment

Software Specialist II **U.S.Bank – Information Technology Services – Brookfield, WI** 1975 - 2018

Provide 24 hour IT Support for 55,000 mainframe users including mainframe software installation and maintenance. Effectively communicate upgrades and changes throughout the corporation. Collaborates with high-level corporate personnel to coordinate changes and complete requests to modify software.

President/Owner Triumph Enterprises LLC – Milwaukee, WI 2006 – present

Provide independent consulting services in leadership, volunteer staff cultivation and management. Presenter and motivational speaker. Small group facilitator and event development. Anointed Soloist and Worship Leader.

- Created and facilitates T.R.I.U.M.P.H. curriculum for women
- New Christian Music Artist of the Year (Soul Female) in United Kingdom (2006 and 2008)
- Self-published – Right Here In the Middle and Tamar's Remnant In Upward Movement Pursuing Healing
- Self-published – Three full length CD's and 3 singles
- Provide training for human service organizations in human trafficking, trauma informed care, survivor interaction protocol, self-care and mentoring in program creation and development

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES and AFFILIATIONS

- Wisconsin Anti Human Trafficking Task Force Member
- Milwaukee Joint Human Trafficking Task Force (Law Enforcement and NGO's) – member
- Office of Crime Victim Services Advisory Council Member
- Healthcare Collaborative Against Sex Trafficking Steering Committee Member
- Families Moving Forward – part of the original coalition sent to Washington, DC to develop collaboration between service providers in Milwaukee WI.
- Provided backup support for the Chaplain at the Robert E Ellsworth Correctional Center and Southern Oaks Girls School
- Created and launched "The Write to Read Workshop" which encouraged youth to read as well as write to improve themselves and share their talents. Professional authors from 6 states participated and traveled to Milwaukee WI to speak with children at 9 different high schools.
- Wrote and directed "In Harm's Way" – a full 2 Act play sharing the events that led up to the creation of The New Testament Church of Milwaukee where she is the daughter of Senior Pastor Julius R Malone and Ann Malone (deceased)
- Leader of The New Testament Praise Team Judah which released the hit singles "All Of My Life" (written by Dr. Lassiter) in 2009 and "You Overwhelm Me" (co-written with Benito Leatherwood)
- VOCA Advisory Committee
- Committee member for the Violence Against Women Act Implementation Plan for Wisconsin
- Member of the Milwaukee Art Museum Task Force