



# “Public Health Matters” Policy Forum Series

## Safety is No Accident: Public Health Approaches to Injury Prevention ...in our Communities & Schools

Are our community spaces becoming more violent? Is anywhere safe? This forum will examine the initiatives that have emerged to change the narrative about community safety and the community environments where we live, learn, work and play.

Friday, March 24, 2023 from 7:30 am – 9:30 am CDT

## Location

New Brighton Community Center, 400 10th St NW, New Brighton, MN 55112

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- Check in and Breakfast, 7:30 am
- Welcome, 8:00 am  
Ellen Saliaras, President
- Moderator Remarks and Introduction of Panelists, 8:05 am  
Jean Streetar
- Opening Commentary, 8:15 am
- Panelist Discussion, 8:30 am  
Lisa Clemons, Cedrick Frazier, Mark Osler
- Table Discussion, 8:45 am
- Discussion Table Questions, 9:00 am
- Summary Remarks, 9:20 am  
Jean Streetar
- Closing Remarks, 9:25 am  
Ellen Saliaras

## Ancestral Land Statement

We ask that you take a moment to honor and acknowledge that we are on the ancestral homelands of the Dakota and Anishinaabe. Indigenous people have a long-standing history and connection to the land since time immemorial, and are the original stewards of lands and waters. Many American Indians were forcibly exiled from their lands because of aggressive and persistent settler colonialism and U.S. Governmental policies, but they persevered. We make this acknowledgement to honor the Dakota and Anishinaabe people, ancestors and descendants, as well as the land itself.

## Presenter Bios

### Moderator: Jean Streetar



Jean Streetar is retired from the Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment where she worked as a health educator and public health program manager for 19.5 years. She holds an undergraduate degree from Minnesota State University-Mankato (MSU-M) in Physical Education, Art, and Health Education along with a Coaching Certificate. Her graduate degree in Community Health is also from MSU-M.

Ms. Streetar followed her first career path teaching and coaching in Faribault, Nicollet, and Mankato, MN. She then earned a graduate degree and pursued a chemical dependency counseling certificate. This led to opportunities at MSU-M, St. Joseph's Hospital in Mankato, Todd County Public Health, St. Cloud-Catholic Charities and finally Washington

County. Currently, Ms. Streetar is active in the MN Public Health Association and is Secretary for the MN Society for Public Health Education. She has been a Certified Health Education Specialist since 2003.

## **Panelist: Lisa Clemons**

Lisa Clemons is a retired Minneapolis Police Sergeant and the founder of A Mother's Love Initiative (AMLI), a Boots on the Ground grassroots organization she founded in 2014 to give leadership and a voice to African American mothers and daughters, two groups she believes are often forgotten. One of seven kids born into poverty in Chicago and raised by a strong single mom, Lisa was inspired as a child to pursue a career in law enforcement after witnessing a positive giving act toward her and her mother by Chicago Police. She later moved to Minneapolis with her family when she was 15 years old and became a Minneapolis Police Officer nearly a decade later.

Lisa is a single mother of five and serves as Executive Director of A Mother's Love Initiative. A Mother's Love's grassroots outreach work looks at both the cause and effects of violence against women as well as the correlation between violence against African American women and poverty. Because of her work with A Mother's Love, Lisa was appointed by Governor Tim Walz as a representative of the Missing and Murdered African American Women Task Force. The A Mother's Love motto is: Save the mother, you save the child. Save the father, you save the family. Save the family, you save the community.



## **Panelist: Cedrick Frazier**



Minnesota Representative Cedrick Frazier serves District 43A, including New Hope and Crystal. He was first elected in 2020 and is married with 3 children. His current Committee Assignments include: Vice Chair Judiciary Finance and Civil Law, Education Policy, Public Safety Finance and Policy, & Workforce Development Finance and Policy. Cedrick has a B.A., psychology, University of Minnesota, Morris; M.A., urban studies and local government management, Minnesota State University, Mankato; J.D., William Mitchell College of Law.

## **Panelist: Mark Osler**

Mark Osler is the Robert and Marion Short Professor of Law at the University of St. Thomas (MN), where he was chosen as Professor of the Year in 2016, 2019 and 2022. He also holds the Ruthie Mattox Preaching Chair at First Covenant Church, Minneapolis. Osler's writing on clemency, sentencing and narcotics policy has appeared in the New York Times, the Washington Post, and The Atlantic and in law journals at Harvard, Stanford, the University of Chicago, Northwestern, Georgetown, Ohio State, UNC, William and Mary, and Rutgers. He is the author of *Jesus on Death Row*, *Prosecuting Jesus*, and a casebook, *Contemporary Criminal Law*, which is now in its second edition.



A former federal prosecutor, he later won the case of *Spears v. United States* in the U.S. Supreme Court, with the Court ruling that judges could categorically reject the 100-to-1 ratio between crack and powder cocaine in the federal sentencing guidelines. Osler is a graduate of the College of William and Mary and Yale Law School.

## **Thank you!**

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