

LIZ BRADSHAW has over 18 years of experience working with the Ft Lauderdale Police Department. As a certified Victim Advocate for the State of Florida and a member of the Ft Lauderdale Police Department's Special Victims Unit since 1998, Liz has assisted State and Federal investigators with thousands of cases. Although cross-trained in all types of crimes, Liz's expertise includes the areas of sexual assault, domestic violence, child abuse, elder abuse, and stalking. She is an in-service instructor with the Ft Lauderdale Police Department and conducts state required domestic violence investigation training for sworn officers, and was responsible for establishing and continues to facilitate the Department's Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team.

Liz is also a member of and training facilitator and mental health consultant for the Ft Lauderdale Police Department's Crisis/Hostage Negotiation Team for which she develops and schedules training events to enhance negotiator skills as well as writing, critiquing and publishing scenario driven training. Liz is also involved in the management of critical/hostage incidents, participating in high level briefings as well as planning, establishing, monitoring policy and procedural changes within her agency.

Additionally, Liz develops and instructs in the areas of law enforcement peer support and resiliency, combat survival, suicide prevention, new recruit training, and orientation for new Detectives and Sergeants. She provides criminal justice, psychology, and victimology instruction for local governments and private sectors and is considered a subject matter expert in these areas.

In 2014, Liz was commended by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District and the FBI for her role in the prosecution of multiple defendants in a human trafficking/sexual battery of multiple minor victims' cases. In 2015, Liz was recognized by the Broward County Victim's Rights Coalition and also by the Broward County Crime Commission for her work as a Victim Advocate.

Education: Liz received her Bachelor's Degree in Social Psychology from Florida Atlantic University in 1996 and her Master's Degree in Marriage & Family Therapy from Nova Southeastern University in 1998. As such, Liz meets the FDLE requirement to be an instructor in the State of Florida.

Memberships: Liz is a long term member of the Association for Marriage & Family Therapy (AAMFT), the Palm Beach Chapter of Marriage & Family Therapists, the Broward County Victims' Rights Coalition, the Broward County Domestic Violence Council, FL Association for Hostage Negotiators (FAHN), and the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF).

Additionally, Liz is a mentor and support person for the Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) family support program that provides services to the surviving children and families of Officers killed in the line of duty. Liz annually attends National Police Week to volunteer her time to work with the children who are part of the C.O.P.S. KIDS program.

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