



Immediate Release

Welcome Dawn Ames, new Executive Director for Michigan Abolitionist Project.

(Dearborn Heights, MI) – Join us in welcoming Dawn Ames as our new Executive Director for Michigan Abolitionist Project. Dawn Ames will work closely with Kathy Maitland through the end of September. Kathy's retirement and last day is planned for Friday, September 30, 2022.

Dawn is uniquely positioned to transition to the Executive Director position due to her experience as a MAP Community Leader in North Oakland County, her passion for improved community awareness of human trafficking and her ideas for training and advocacy. She also held the position of Director of Family Ministry for Lake Orion Unity Methodist Church where she led several teen and family ministries, and she launched new programming including a free summer lunch program for teens and families. Prior to her recent experiences, Dawn worked for General Motors and OnStar within the Human Resource function. She possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Central Michigan University.

"Although we will sincerely miss Kathy Maitland, I have been impressed with Dawn's passion for anti-human trafficking work as well as her business and organizational skills, says Angela Aufdemberge, President, and CEO of Vista Maria. "We believe that she will be an asset to our Michigan Abolitionist Project service line."

About Michigan Abolitionist Project (MAP):

Our Mission: We are growing the movement of people and organizations working to prevent and end human trafficking in Michigan and beyond.

Our Focus: We aim to educate, engage and eradicate human trafficking.
Visit www.michiganabolitionistproject.org for additional information.

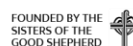
About Vista Maria:

Our Mission: We foster restorative relationships and deliver innovative care, treatment, and education so that vulnerable youth and families believe in their worth, heal and build the skills for success.

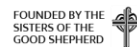
Our Vision: All children, families and communities achieve success through continuous learning and relationships that promote personal, professional and family well-being.
Visit www.vistamaria.org for additional information.

For more information or to schedule an interview with Vista Maria's President and CEO contact: Jennifer Golabek, Marketing/Brand Fidelity Manager at (248) 914-0742 or jgolabek@vistamaria.org.

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