



United Advocates Against Violence  
in the Deaf Community

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### DEAF UNITY ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*Madison, Wisconsin – January 21, 2017 --*

Deaf Unity Board of Directors is excited to announce the selection of Ms. Jenny Buechner as the new Executive Director for Deaf Unity, Inc., effective January 23, 2017.

Ms. Buechner, a Wisconsin native, was born deaf and graduated from Gallaudet University in 2002, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work. She has previously held positions in the telephone relay service industry in customer services, marketing and project management.

Ms. Buechner will endeavor to enhance the visibility and awareness within the state, expand programs and services, and work to build sustainable funding for the organization.

Ms. Buechner brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position, as she is involved in a number of state and national organizations. She served as a board member of Wisconsin Association of the Deaf (WAD) from 2008-2013; is currently the Board Secretary for the National Association of the Deaf (NAD), and has served as NAD Region II representative for two and a half years. Ms. Buechner has also served as Deaf Unity's Board President since joining the board in January 2015.

Ms. Buechner can be contacted at [director@deafunitywi.org](mailto:director@deafunitywi.org).

#### *About Deaf Unity*

Deaf Unity, Inc., a statewide non-profit organization, was established in September, 2005 in Madison, Wisconsin dedicated to helping Deaf persons affected by domestic violence and/or sexual assault in Wisconsin. Deaf Unity's mission is: "*All Deaf people – women, children, and men – have the right to healthy, violence free lives.*" Deaf Unity provides prevention, education and advocacy services to the Deaf Communities throughout the state of Wisconsin.

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