

## **Holly Joshi, Executive Director, MISSEY**

Holly Joshi is the Executive Director at MISSEY, a youth serving non-profit dedicated to providing direct services and advocacy for survivors of commercial sexual exploitation. Holly has 15 years of committed public service experience and a decade of leadership and advocacy work in the movement to end the commercial sexual exploitation of children. She led the Oakland Police Department's Child Exploitation Unit, served as the chief of staff at the OPD, and was the deputy director at the youth-serving non-profit Youth Uprising. Holly has worked collaboratively across sectors to improve system responses to survivors of trafficking since 2008, served on Attorney General Kamala Harris' Task Force on Human Trafficking, and trained law enforcement and service providers across the country on human trafficking response as a member of the training team at National Criminal Justice Training Center. In addition to her expansive work within the movement to end commercial sex trafficking, Holly has extensive experience in police reform and change management. As the chief of staff at the Oakland Police Department, she served on Kamala Harris' Task Force on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing and was an integral part of the executive team that implemented one of the first department-wide body worn camera programs in the nation.

Holly has strong roots in the community and a sincere passion for human rights and social justice. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from California State University East Bay and a Master's Degree in Leadership for Social Justice from St. Mary's College of California. She has been a guest lecturer at the University of California at Berkeley, Stanford University, Golden Gate School of Law, and California State East Bay. She taught community policing and diversity in policing at Merritt College. Her work has been featured on MSNBC, Anderson Cooper, and in Essence Magazine.