



Demetri Konstantopoulos is The Foundation United's Director of Law Enforcement Training. Demetri comes with over 28 years of dedicated public service as a law enforcement professional. He has served in many capacities, including Task Force Officer with the FBI Violent Crimes Task Force, Street Crimes Officer, Narcotics Detective, Street Crimes Sergeant, SWAT (Team Leader), Shift Commander, Commander of the Office of Internal Affairs and Complaints Section, Commander of the Patrol Division, and Commander of the Support Services Division.

While serving as a Street Crimes Sergeant, Demetri experienced personal and professional transformation while spearheading a prostitution diversion program called Turn Your Life Around (TYLA) that signaled a paradigm shift in law enforcement's response to victims of sexual exploitation. For this initiative, Demetri coauthored the TYLA training

manual, trained numerous law enforcement agencies throughout the state of Florida, and presented the program to the National Center of Sexual Exploitation in Washington D.C.

Demetri earned his Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security from the State College of Florida. He is also a graduate of the 73<sup>rd</sup> session of the University of Louisville's Southern Police Institute's Command Officer Development Course and the 77<sup>th</sup> session of the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police. Captain Konstantopoulos is also a graduate of Leadership Sarasota – Class of 2022.

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In the span of his 28-year career, Demetri has been the recipient of many awards, highlighted by the 16<sup>th</sup> District Congressional Law Enforcement Award for Dedication & Professionalism that he received for his work in fighting sexual exploitation.