

# THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

## **Jeffrey Brown**

Rev. Jeffrey L. Brown is a nationally recognized leader and expert in gang, youth and urban violence reduction and coalition building. He has been featured in numerous media including, The Boston Globe, and interviewed on Nation Public Radio and Newsweek. He is the co-founder and Managing Partner of RECAP (Rebuilding Every City Around Peace), a new national organization organized to assist cities to build better partnerships between the faith-based community, government and law enforcement agencies to reduce gang violence. He is also one of the cofounders of the Boston Ten Point Coalition, a faith-based group that was an integral part of the “Boston Miracle”, a process where the city experienced a 79% decline in violent crime in the 90s, and spawned countless urban collaborative efforts in subsequent years that followed the Boston Ceasefire model.

Rev. Brown consults to municipalities and police departments nationwide on issues around youth violence and community mobilization, and provides expertise to Fortune 25 corporations and the World Bank for the past 12 years on Collaborative Leadership and Managing Change. He is the subject of a Harvard Business School case study on his efforts, and is an integral part of three others from Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government. Rev. Brown is the recipient of numerous local and national awards and citations.

His current project is to convene a second national conference of faith leaders and law enforcement, and facilitate a national conversation on the importance of faith institutions in public safety prescriptions. His recent book project in development, tentatively called Fearless Faith, draws on life lessons from experiences working with gangs, clergy and law enforcement across the country. Rev. Brown Pastored the Union Baptist Church in Cambridge, MA for 22 years, has spoken and lectured widely, and is known for his fiery and inspiring messages.

A resident of the Dorchester area of Boston, MA, Rev. Brown is married and has three grown children.