

BILLY "BO" DEAL Senior Field Manager of Field Operations

Billy "Bo" Deal is the Senior Field Manager of Field Operations for Metropolitan Peace Initiatives. Bo is responsible for Institute for Nonviolence Chicago's (INVC) Austin area, INVC's West Garfield community, Breakthrough's East Garfield community, and Together Chicago's West Haven and Near West Side communities.

As a Senior Field Manager of Field Operations, Bo teaches and facilitates at the Metropolitan Peace Academy. He also provides resources as well as moral support for his organizations. He is heavily involved in daily activities concerning his organizations. He contributes to mediations, as well as participates in pop-ups and Light In the Night events. He loves being hands-on with his people.

Bo has been committed to the violence prevention field for the past ten years.

"I feel it's not only my job but my obligation to try to help clean up and rebuild some of the same streets that I contributed to tearing down," Bo shares, "and that's why I do the work that I do."