

## **Louise Leonardi**

Louise Leonardi is the Executive Director of Canadian Families and Corrections Network, a charity organization whose mission is to build stronger and safer communities by assisting families affected by crime. Louise has an extensive background in training, and Restorative Justice facilitation in prisons, schools, and communities across Canada and has authored articles and research on families and crime. She is a curriculum co-author and the Project Lead for Dad HERO (Helping Everyone Realize Opportunities), a dad parenting program, which has run in federal/provincial prisons and communities across Canada over the last 7 years. She has received Public Safety, Crime Prevention, and community awards for her work with vulnerable populations and was honoured to receive the Office of the Correctional Investigator's Ed Mclsaac 'Human Rights in Corrections' Award in 2022 for her work in addressing issues related to incarceration, homelessness, poverty, justice, and youth.