

Maria Ortiz Borden, Co-Director Pulse

**Maria Ortiz Borden** is a capacity builder, facilitator, and coach. Maria has over 25 years of experience working with community based organizations to improve the outcomes for children and families. She has extensive experience in developing and managing programming, fund development, strategic planning, supporting the execution and implementation of strategies, and addressing equitable outcomes. She has a passion for working with organizations, collaboratives and institutions to address systemic racism, increase their cultural competency, and promote racial healing efforts.

Maria holds a Bachelor's Degree in Social Science from Michigan State University, completed the Harvard Business School on Performance Measurement for Effective Management of Nonprofit Organizations, trained System Change Facilitator, ABLe Change Framework from Michigan State University, trained anti-racism/anti-bias facilitator and practitioner (via YWCA, CrossRoads/ERACCE, Truth & Titus Collective), and is a Certified Community Coach through Leadership That Works.