

Elizabeth Eastlund, LCSW
Executive Director, Rainbow Services

Elizabeth Eastlund was promoted to the position of Executive Director in October, 2015. Elizabeth served as Rainbow's Director of Programs since 2006. Her demonstrated leadership has been instrumental in developing and implementing Rainbow's programs. Elizabeth is committed to social justice and passionate about serving those who have been affected by interpersonal violence.

Previous to Rainbow, Elizabeth gained valuable experience working for Skid Row Housing Trust, and for the CARE Program at St. Mary Medical Center in Long Beach. She is a regular guest lecturer at the USC School of Social Work and recently co-authored two chapters in *Transformative Social Work Practice*. Trauma theory and harm reduction philosophy have assisted her in developing supportive housing programs, working with individuals challenged by addictions, and those who have experienced interpersonal trauma.

Elizabeth was selected for the 2011 Strong Field Project Leadership Development Program funded through the Blue Shield Foundation to strengthen the leadership of the domestic violence field in California. She was featured in a documentary on homelessness, *Hope For Our Own: An LA Story* discussing the increased risk of homelessness for victims of domestic violence. Elizabeth was selected for the 2014 Trans- Atlantic Exchange Program to explore the implementation of Psychologically Informed Environments in homeless shelters in London. In 2016, she was appointed to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), Ad Hoc Committee on Women's Homelessness, and has been the Alternate Representative for Service Planning Area 8 on LAHSA's Continuum of Care Coordinating Council since 2015. Eastlund is currently the Council District 15 Representative for the LA City Domestic Violence Task Force, where she serves as the Vice Chair. She is committed to examining the intersection between family violence and homelessness.

Elizabeth earned her BSW from CSULB, her MSW from UCLA, and became an Licensed Clinical Social Worker in 2008.