## **Reverend Zachary Hoover biography**

Zachary Hoover is the Executive Director of LA Voice, a multi-racial, interfaith organization of 55 congregations across LA County. He is an ordained American Baptist Minister and holds a Master of Divinity from Harvard. Zach serves as one of three peer-elected members of the Guiding Council for PICO National Network and is an appointed member of the LA Co. Probation Commission. Zach has eleven years of organizing experience, first as Lead Organizer for Inland Congregations United for Change in Coachella Valley, and then as Lead Organizer and now Executive Director for LA Voice. He has experience cultivating congregational leadership in diverse religious communities, is a fluent Spanish speaker and leads national trainings with clergy and professional organizers. Zach has led organizing campaigns that have dismantled unfair car impound policies affecting immigrants, increased access to jobs and rehabilitative services for formerly incarcerated Californians, increased public accountability for reinvestment by major financial institutions, increased voter participation in communities of color, and bridged gaps between communities often divided by race, class and geography. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife and 15 month-old son.