

BIOGRAPHY
DAVID A. CLARKE JR.
Sheriff of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

- Currently serving in his fourth consecutive four-year term.
- Lifelong resident of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; graduate of Marquette University High School.
- Graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice Management from Concordia University, which named him Alumnus of the Year in 2003.
- 2013 Sheriff of the Year Award from the Constitutional Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association for “staying true to his oath, true to his badge, and true to the people he has promised to serve and protect.”
- September 2013, earned an M.A. in Security Studies from the US Naval Postgraduate School, Center for Homeland Defense and Security, in Monterey, California. Collaborated with national security officials on current policy, strategy and organizational design challenges in security studies, homeland security and defense.
- Graduate of the FBI National Academy, the United States Secret Service Dignitary Protection Program, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Gun Trafficking Program.
- Completed the 2005 “Driving Government Performance” executive education program; and the 2004 “Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government,” both at the Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government in Cambridge, Massachusetts.
- Graduate of the 2005 FBI National Executive Institute, and the 2004 Executive Development Program of the National Sheriffs’ Institute and National Institute of Corrections.
- Served 24 years on the Milwaukee Police Department. Was captain and commanding officer of the MPD Intelligence Division, when appointed Milwaukee County Sheriff by Governor Scott McCallum, in March 2002.
- Was elected to a four-year term as Milwaukee County Sheriff in November 2002, receiving 64% of the vote. Re-elected November 2006, 2010, and 2014, earning 73%, 74% and 79% of the vote.
- In October 2009, received the Americanism Award from the Milwaukee County War Memorial Veterans Board of Directors. The board, consisting of 22 veterans organizations, commended Sheriff Clarke in “appreciation for his version of law and order.”
- Member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, National Sheriffs’ Association (member of its Legal Affairs Committee), Major County Sheriffs’ Association, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives, Milwaukee Fellowship Open, and the Badger State Sheriff’s Association. Serves on the Law Enforcement Assistance Committee of the National Rifle Association.
- Past memberships: Trustee of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee, board member of the Milwaukee Tennis & Education Foundation, Greater Milwaukee Chapter of the American Red Cross, and the Three Harbors Council Boy Scouts of America.
- Sheriff Clarke and his wife Julie reside on the northwest side of Milwaukee.