

## **WALTER MATHIS**

*Community Organizer*

*Akron Organizing Collaborative*

Author, Community Organizer, and Public Speaker. Joined the fight for criminal justice reform in 2018, as a community organizer and spokesperson during the Issue 1 campaign. Forums and

Panel discussions include: town hall meetings throughout Summit County informing citizens of voter rights, need for drug sentencing reform, and building a stronger unified community, the history of racism in summit county and surrounding area.; and open table talks with Summit County court officials about drug treatment and sentencing reform.

Community organizing work for Akron Organizing Collaborative includes organizing local housing complexes to improve living standards in the community, informing people on how to use their voice as a community to get the resources needed in their respective communities, offering political education, and helping build tenant councils to act as liaisons between tenants and management in order to build stronger and safer communities.

Walter published his first novel, entitled Iniquitous, in May 2018. This is the first of three in a suspense thriller trilogy, available on Amazon.