



## **Kilah Engelke**

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Kilah Engelke is the business agent at OPCMIA Local 599 Area 558 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. A 26-year industry veteran, she also proudly serves as a labor trustee and financial secretary for the OPCMIA Local 599 Area 558 JATC and as the financial secretary for the Milwaukee Building and Construction Trades Council. Kilah is a founding member and serves as a president for EmpowHER, a powerful group of women from building trades positions all over Wisconsin whose mission includes promoting leadership for women in all facets of the trades, sustaining and retaining women in the industry, and organizing by being visible examples of successful women in the trades in the local communities. She was named chairwomen of the OPCMIA international women's group, the Steel Edge Women of the OPCMIA, in 2019, and she looks forward to achieving advancement opportunities for women through breaking down barriers and leveling the playing field with strategies such as maternity leave programs and anti-harassment education and awareness initiatives. As the leader of the Steel Edge Women, one of her duties includes representing the OPCMIA on the NABTU Tradeswomen Committee.