



Commander Sean M. Murray  
**Deputy Commander, Sector Buffalo**



Commander Sean Murray assumed the duties of Deputy Commander, Coast Guard Sector Buffalo in June 2022. In this role, he helps oversee the multi-mission operations of the Sector team across three states and 15 sub-units comprised of 370 active duty and civilian members, 115 reservists, and 650 Auxiliarists operating from the St. Lawrence Seaway, westward through Lakes Ontario and Erie to Lorain, Ohio, including Niagara Falls and portions of the Finger Lakes region and Erie Barge Canal.

Commander Murray's Coast Guard career began in 2004 after graduating from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He served at sea for six years as a Deck Watch Officer on USCGC RUSH (WHEC-723) homeported in Honolulu, Hawaii; as the Operations Officer on USCGC BEAR (WMEC-901) homeported in Portsmouth, Virginia; and as the Commanding Officer of USCGC BAINBRIDGE ISLAND (WPB-1343) homeported in Sandy Hook, New Jersey. His most recent operational assignment was serving as the Enforcement Chief and Response Department Head at Sector Northern New England in Portland, Maine.



Commander Murray's staff assignments included Fifth District operational planning branch, military aide to a two-star Admiral, and Training Officer/Performance Systems Branch Chief at the Coast Guard's Maritime Law Enforcement Academy. Prior to Sector Buffalo, he served as the U.S. Coast Guard Liaison Officer to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and the U.S. program manager for the Integrated Cross Border Maritime Law Enforcement Operations initiative developing Northern Border law enforcement policy, overseeing joint shiprider operations, and promoting more effective law enforcement cooperation among the binational law enforcement agencies.

Commander Murray holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Management from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Masters of Business Administration degree from Averett University and a Masters in Instructional Systems Technology degree from Indiana University. Additionally, he is a certified performance technologist and earned Joint Professional Military Education certification through the U.S. Air Force's Air Command and Staff College.

Commander Murray is originally from Largo, Florida. His wife, Diane, is from Virginia Beach, and they have three fantastic children: Emily (9), Joshua (7) and Daniel (4).