Motor City: The Odyssey Of The War On Drugs, Scales Of Injustice And Two Of America's Most Wanted
Synopsis

Lyrical, gripping, stunning and compelling. Read Motor City by Sherri Jefferson as she examines the biggest issue facing America. Motor City: The Odyssey of the War on Drugs, Scales of Injustice and Two of America’s Most Wanted stirs debate with its brutally honest depiction of the war on drugs in America. The book journeys through the lives of two brothers from Detroit who allegedly became international kingpins and how the collision of drugs, race, and class became intertwined in their lives as they became two of America’s Most Wanted. Human and personal in its characterizations and attention to detail, Motor City plunges the reader into the decades of the struggles endemic to people of color and the poor and journeys the investigation of the Motor City Brothers led by the DEA, FBI, CIA, and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) task forces. The Motor City Brothers represent every family in America. Sherri Jefferson lays the foundation for criminal justice reform and an end to the war on drugs by building upon evidence-based and scholarly research to produce an honest critique of the war on drugs that has created prisoners of war and a prison industrial complex.

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"Motor City" is a powerful indictment of the so-called War on Drugs and a frightening exposé of the "Law of Unintended Consequences" as the book describes how government actions (e.g., legislation, political proclamations, "sound bites" designed for propaganda, Presidential Executive Orders, and regulations issued by Federal Agencies) created for one purpose are perverted to produce an unintended outcome. This could be read as a diatribe if it weren't for the
many, many facts and citations. And, yes, I’ve spot-checked a bunch of them. And I am proud to have been offered an opportunity to review an early draft of this book. For this seventy-one-year-old white guy, perhaps the most valuable part of the book was the intimate picture of black culture, and the window into the lives of a special black family. There were many poignant moments, many scenes that caused me to bite down hard, even to bite my lip. There were many telling sentences. I will share only two with you. Blacks were performing a learned behavior . . . passed down from slavery, the use of corporal punishment to tame their children . . . Genocidal services in the Black community focused upon ending the lives of Black babies through abortions, and less upon planning for parenthood. Do you want a different look into American culture and how our government operates? Then this is a book for you.

Nice depiction of Detroit.

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