



KING CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE

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Darius Engles, a retired Chief of Police from Pacific Grove, has been selected to be an Interim Police Captain for King City Police Department.

Darius Engles was born and raised on the Monterey Peninsula. He is a graduate from CSU, Sacramento with a Bachelors of Arts in Criminal Justice and a graduate of the FBI National Academy. Engles law enforcement experience includes service as a Reserve Police Officer with the City of Davis, CA, as a Deputy Sheriff with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, and a Police Officer with the Pacific Grove Police Department. During his 23 years in law enforcement he held many ranks and assignments. He retired as Pacific Grove's Chief of Police in 2012. During the past three years, Engles was an Adjunct Professor at Monterey Peninsula College, teaching Administration of Justice courses, as well as an investigator doing background and internal affairs investigations.

During Engles' nearly six years as Pacific Grove's Chief of Police, he served on many County of Monterey committees, including: President of the Monterey County Chief Law Enforcement Officers' Association, the Executive Committee for the Community Corrections Partnership (AB 109), the Restorative Justice Commission of Monterey County, the Juvenile Justice Coordination Council, the Monterey County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, the Monterey County Gang Task Force Steering Committee, the Monterey County Emergency Communication Users Advisory Committee, the Police Chief's Steering Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Special Response Unit (SRU), a member of the Monterey County

"The mission of the King City Police Department is to work in partnership with the community to protect life and property, solve neighborhood problems, and enhance the quality of life in our city."

Communications Standardization Committee, and is currently a member of the California Police Chiefs' Association.

Captain Engles states that he "...is honored to be chosen to be a part of the rebuilding process of the King City Police Department," and "... hopes his long experience as a law enforcement officer will bring additional benefit to a constantly improving department."

The King City Police Department currently has three Interim positions as part of its rebuilding process: Interim Police Chief Anthony J. Sollecito, Interim Captain Darius Engles, and Interim Homicide Detective Allen Rowe. These three Interim positions alone bring nearly 100 years of law enforcement experience to serve the people of King City.

Please direct all media inquiries to Captain Darius Engles at (831) 386-5946.

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