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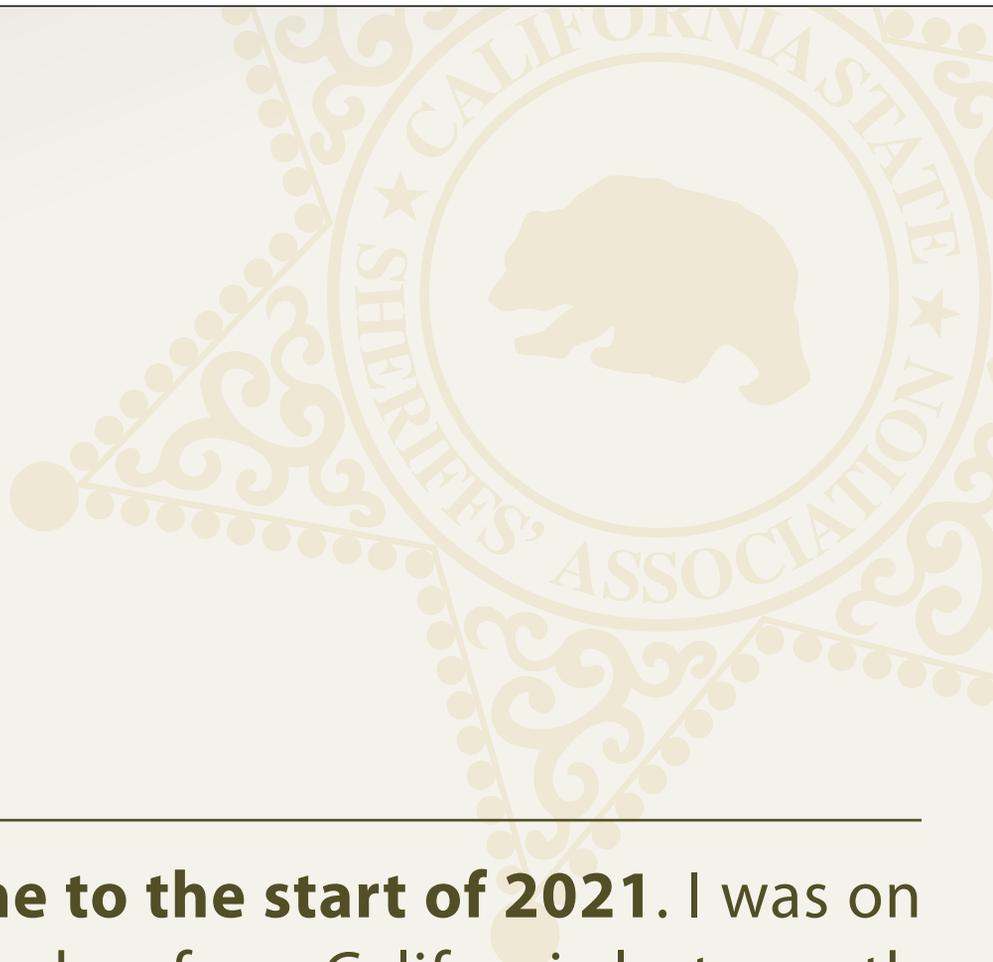
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▪ SHERIFF DAVID ROBINSON  
▪ KINGS COUNTY



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**Welcome everyone to the start of 2021.** I was on a call with other leaders from California last month and my good Sheriff friend from Orange County said, "2020 is the longest decade we have seen in a long time." He couldn't have been more right.

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We wound up our legislative year in October with the Governor signing some not so favorable bills for law enforcement and vetoing a few in our favor. At the end of the day, we will do our best to get through all of the new laws coming California's way and focus our efforts on smart policing and working closely with our communities. Our association has some great partner organizations and I want to thank them for their help winding our way through the legislation last year. We also have great corporate friends who have provided their continued support during these interesting times. As the November election came and went, we were pleased to see many of the candidates we endorsed were successful, and the propositions we supported or opposed won or lost accordingly. Of course, not all elections or propositions went our way. Our biggest disappointment was the failure of proposition 20, but as with many in the past that we supported, we must move forward and do the best we can with the hands we are dealt.

This year we are optimistic that the vaccine offers some relief in our communities. We look forward to our communities getting back to normal and having kids in the playgrounds along with after school activities. Our association stands ready, willing, and able to work with the federal and state government entities on any past or present issues that come our way. We are blessed by outstanding support from so many amazing people, and I want to say thank you for the parades, letters, social media posts and dropping off food goodies to lift our spirits. Just as our communities need us, we need you to lift our spirits from time to time. Your support is truly appreciated. Thank you.

Respectfully,

**Sheriff David Robinson, Kings County**  
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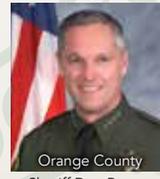
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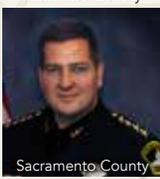
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# Happy New Year, Welcome to California Sheriff's first edition of 2021

▪ **M. CARMEN GREEN**  
▪ **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Let me start by saying that 2020 was a very interesting and challenging year. Due to COVID-19, CSSA had to cancel many trainings and meetings. Nonetheless, CSSA was able to continue conducting business by video / conference calls – thank goodness for technology.

Unfortunately, we were not able to hold our 15th Annual Corporate 100 Partners event. It is at this the event where CSSA expresses appreciation of its Corporate 100 Partners. However, we were able to hold several virtual meetings where partners were able to participate and provide presentations to the Sheriffs. Although it wasn't the same as being in person together, all were thankful for the opportunity to connect and express appreciation for these important partnerships.

The California State Sheriffs' Association currently has 73 Corporate 100 Partners, 4 of which just joined us in the last month. Our goal is to have 100 excellent Corporate Partners who desire to establish a long-term partnership with the 58 Sheriffs of California.

The California State Sheriffs' Association would also like to express our thanks and grateful appreciation to our over 3000 Associate, Business and Lifetime Members for their continued support always, but especially during these COVID-19 times.

**Thank you for your great support and we look forward to your continued partnership!**

If you are interested in supporting CSSA please feel free to contact Executive Director Carmen Green at [cgreen@calsheriffs.org](mailto:cgreen@calsheriffs.org), or Chelsea Weathers, Member Services Coordinator at [cweathers@calsheriffs.org](mailto:cweathers@calsheriffs.org), or at **916.375.8000** or visit our website at [www.calsheriffs.org](http://www.calsheriffs.org) ✨

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▪ **CORY SALZILLO**  
▪ **LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR**

California's 2021-22 regular legislative session convened for organizational purposes on Monday, December 7, 2020, at which time all new legislators were sworn in. The 18 new legislators and their returning colleagues, along with decision-makers and staff, have begun working vigorously on their agendas. In all likelihood, up to 1,500 bills will be introduced by the bill introduction deadline in late February.

For our part in this process, the CSSA Legislative Committee met last fall to review bill proposals for possible inclusion in CSSA's sponsored bill package. Additionally, the Legislative Committee will also meet several times in 2021 to consider the hundreds of bills that we anticipate will likely have the potential to impact sheriffs' offices, criminal justice, and public safety generally. CSSA will likely take positions of support and opposition on many of these bills to inform the Legislature's action on them.

Some of these significant issues that local and state leaders, including Sheriffs, are grappling with are the rise of homelessness and mental illness. In October 2019, the California Chamber of Commerce released the results of a poll, The People's Voice 2019, which showed that homelessness and public safety are top concerns for Californians. Among the findings:

- Funding more mental health and homeless service centers specifically focused on serving homeless populations (91% support; 60% strong support).
- Involuntary commitment of homeless individuals who have severe mental/behavioral issues that may be a danger or harm to themselves or others in the community (89% support; 49% strong support).
- Allow law enforcement to arrest homeless people who use dangerous and illegal drugs (82% support; 49% strong support).

"Seventy-nine percent agree (41% strongly) that homelessness and criminal behavior have become rampant throughout California. Seventy-three percent agree (37% strongly) that street crime, shoplifting and car theft have become rampant throughout California. And 60% agree (25% strongly) with the statement, "I no longer feel safe because of the danger and disorder in society today." <https://advocacy.calchamber.com/policy/issues/the-peoples-voice/>

As Californians continue to voice such concerns, these issues have been elevated and impact nearly every discussion in the State Capitol.

This especially holds true for the law enforcement community, who as first responders are frequently dispatched to deal with these at-risk-populations. In many communities, law enforcement is often the main public agency in regular contact with the homeless and mentally ill, so it's important to strengthen the partnership with law enforcement and other government agencies so responses to mental health-related situations are appropriate for the affected people without compromising public safety. We understand that for many mentally ill persons who have not broken the law, police response and enforcement actions may not always be the best approach. Unfortunately, the reality of local resources and services often do not support alternative responses.

During the 2020 legislative session, the California State Sheriffs' Association Board of Directors adopted as part of their platform:

*The issues of homelessness and mental illness squarely intersect with the criminal justice space, specifically and especially in terms of law enforcement's interactions with these populations on the street and in county jails. When coupled together, and especially when exacerbated by co-occurring substance use disorder, these issues greatly affect public safety and sheriffs' resources. Examples include challenges around providing appropriate mental health care and competency restoration services, strains on available custodial programming, rampant overdose deaths, and churning jail populations. Stakeholders should pursue a multi-element approach to address these issues with not only resources but also a reckoning of how prior and current policies and actions (e.g. Proposition 47, reduced accountability, etc.) have led or contributed to this multi-part problem.*

We recognize that no one approach can effectively address this problem alone. As such, we plan to include our voices and perspectives in the development of the shared goals, protocols, and policies vital to guiding decision makers who ultimately formulate the policies around interactions with people who are experiencing homelessness and mental illness. We are prepared to create positive changes by approaching this issue in a holistic

manner, which can include crisis response, diversion capacity options, long-term services, and custodial treatment.

We know that given proper resources, crisis intervention teams can be dispatched to calls for service, defusing challenging interactions, improving public safety, and decreasing the likelihood that these calls result in an arrest. We have seen positive results when co-responder teams pair a clinician with an officer who has received mental health training. They can jointly respond to calls for service involving people who have mental illnesses or are in crisis, including people experiencing homelessness.

Another worthy example is mobile crisis units, which are teams of clinicians who meet officers on the scene to de-escalate crises and connect people with mental illnesses to services. Due to their advanced training, these teams can often manage encounters with people experiencing homelessness and free up patrol officers to answer other calls. Collaboration between law enforcement and behavioral health systems can take many forms, and law enforcement agencies can bring together different response models to effectively respond to people with mental illnesses who interact with law enforcement.

### ELECTION RECAP

During the 2020 elections, the California Assembly did not see much change in partisan makeup, Democrats hold 60 seats, Republicans hold 18 seats, and one Member identifies as an Independent, for a total of 80 Members. On the other hand, the State Senate saw Democrats flipping two seats, giving the majority party 31 of the Senate's 40 seats. Democrats continue to hold better than a 2/3 vote threshold in both houses, which facilitates the passage of urgency bills (those that take effect immediately upon the Governor's signature) and tax increases without votes from the minority (Republican) party. However, there is always the presumption that members who are considered moderate Democrats could serve to dampen the potential advantage of holding a 2/3 majority on particular issues.

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

One could argue voters are agreeable with continued criminal justice reform, an assertion that could be supported by the heavy defeat of Proposition 20, which would have rolled back parts of Propositions 47 and 57 (which reduced certain criminal penalties and allowed for the possibility of early parole, respectively), and the victory of Proposition 17, which allows parolees to vote. Conversely, the failure of Proposition 25, which would have affirmed the Legislature's attempt to eliminate cash bail, could be used as evidence against the notion that voters want more reform, but the defeat of this measure probably cannot be attributed solely to the policy question. Given this was a referendum that appeared as the last ballot measure of 12, ballot fatigue and confusion over what a "yes" or "no" vote meant may have contributed to its defeat. Additionally, progressive voices were concerned about arguments by some that the risk assessments meant to "replace" cash bail could include racial bias. Questions about pre-trial services and bail reform will likely remain on the legislature's (and courts') agenda.

During the fall, Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D - LA) established the Assembly Select Committee on Police Reform and a hearing was held to discuss certain views of criminal justice. The common theme among some legislators was that there needs to be more transparency and oversight, as well as building trust with the community, as it relates to law enforcement. As a result of this hearing and the fact that several

bills dealing with policing reform were not enacted last year, we expect the reintroduction of many bills including measures related to decertification of peace officers who violate law or policy, additional education for those entering the law enforcement profession, and expanded release of peace officer personnel records.

During these first few months of 2021, CSSA will meet with the newly sworn-in legislators to familiarize them and their staff with the role of the Office of the Sheriff and CSSA's platform and priorities, while serving as a resource to legislators on issues of public safety and law enforcement. We recognize the difficulties facing the law enforcement profession and the men and women who serve. However, our sheriffs are prepared to meet these challenges head on as we look forward to an exciting year working with all stakeholders. ✨

*Cory Salzillo, CSSA's Legislative Director, is a partner of the firm WPSS Group, a pre-eminent team of advisors on matters involving state and local government. The firm effectively influences public policy in a broad spectrum of public sector issues.*



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## “Constitutional Rights in a Time of COVID-19 – Difficult Issues for Law Enforcement and Our Courts”

▪ JIM TOUCHSTONE  
▪ GENERAL COUNSEL

It is a trite observation in the extreme to note that 2020 has been a difficult year for the world, and law enforcement in particular, due to the tremendous challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. All states in our republic have struggled with attempting to achieve a proper balance between public safety and the constitutional rights afforded the residents of our nation. The friction between public safety and constitutional rights is no more prevalent than with respect to First Amendment activities. Law enforcement officers have been placed on the front lines of this struggle for the last several months, whether ensuring that those exercising free speech rights do so in a lawful, non-violent manner, or in responding to requests to enforce health orders imposed by various levels of government. A recent opinion from our nation’s high court illustrates the challenges the pandemic has created and the tension between health orders and the First Amendment in the context of religious worship.

In the recent case of *Roman Catholic Diocese v. Cuomo*<sup>1</sup>, the Supreme Court was asked to consider whether New York Governor Andrew Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.68, which limited attendance at religious services in areas classified as “red” zones to no more than 10 persons and those classified as “orange” zones to no more than 25, could permissibly be enforced. The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn and Agudath Israel of America filed applications seeking relief from the Executive Order. Both contended that the order’s restrictions violated the Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment and asked the Supreme Court of the United States to enjoin enforcement of the restrictions while seeking appellate review. Both the Diocese and Agudath Israel maintained that the regulations treated houses of worship much more harshly than comparable secular facilities. They claimed that they had complied with all public health guidance, had implemented additional precautionary measures, and had operated at 25% or 33% capacity for months without a single outbreak.

The Supreme Court concluded that the applicants had clearly established their entitlement to relief pending appellate review, and held that enforcement of the Governor’s restrictions on the applicants’ religious services must be enjoined until the Second Circuit Court of Appeals could render its final decision. In reaching its conclusion, the Court determined that the applicants had demonstrated their First Amendment claims were likely to prevail, denying them relief would lead to irreparable injury, and granting relief would not harm the public interest.<sup>2</sup>

Regarding the likelihood of success on the merits, the Supreme Court stated that the applicants had made a strong showing that the challenged restrictions violated “the minimum requirement of neutrality” to religion<sup>3</sup> because they singled out houses of worship for especially harsh treatment. While houses of worship in red zones could not admit more than 10 persons, businesses that were categorized as

“essential”<sup>4</sup> had no such limits. The Court remarked that in orange zones, “[t]he disparate treatment is even more striking.” In orange zones, while houses of worship were limited to 25 persons, the order permitted even non-essential businesses to decide for themselves how many persons to admit. The Court noted there was no evidence that the applicants had contributed to the spread of COVID-19. Moreover, the Court maintained that there were many other less restrictive rules that could be adopted to minimize the risk to those attending religious services, such as tying the maximum attendance at a religious service to the size of the church or synagogue.

Observing that “[t]he loss of First Amendment freedoms, for even minimal periods of time, unquestionably constitutes irreparable injury[.]”<sup>5</sup> the Supreme Court determined that the challenged restrictions, if enforced, would cause irreparable harm. The Court noted that the majority of those who wished to attend religious services would be barred under the Governor’s order, and that important religious traditions required personal attendance.

The Court also determined that granting relief would not harm the public interest. The Court explained that the State had not claimed that attendance at the applicants’ services had resulted in the spread of the disease, nor shown that public health would be imperiled if less restrictive measures were imposed. The court concluded: “But even in a pandemic, the Constitution cannot be put away and forgotten.” The Supreme Court accordingly granted the applications for injunctive relief and enjoined the Governor from enforcing the restrictions on the applicants’ religious services.

Justice Gorsuch concurred, stating that “Government is not free to disregard the First Amendment in times of crisis,” yet concerned that certain States including New York had done so during the COVID-19 pandemic. Decrying such activity, Gorsuch remarked, “Even if the

Constitution has taken a holiday during this pandemic, it cannot become a sabbatical.” There were three dissenting opinions filed, each making points in support of the position that injunctive relief should not have been granted.

The dispute between our nation’s greatest legal scholars highlights the difficulties for the law enforcement officer on the street, or the law enforcement executive, in determining the proper course of action with respect to enforcement decisions and deployment of law enforcement resources. A decision about places of worship and whether fixed numbers of attendees, as opposed to some other form of capacity-related criteria, excessively intrudes on religious freedom will become part of an extensive and specific body of First Amendment jurisprudence. At the same time, law enforcement agencies may also be called upon to confront abnormally dangerous conduct clearly and squarely at the center of health order regulations.

Any enforcement decision, whether it concern the wearing of a mask, a restaurant having to close, or admonishing a crowd, could potentially result in a use of force encounter with a person who would otherwise be deemed a “law abiding” person. At a minimum, the encounter will impact how that person and, potentially, the community, views the department. Determining where to intercede along this continuum is a difficult decision. The ultimate goal, of course, is to ensure the best outcomes for the populations that law enforcement serves. This requires thoughtful balancing of the respective interests at stake, and inclusive unified public policy deliberation from all relevant entities, whether functioning regionally or at the state level.

The valuable contribution that law enforcement can make to this process derives from the relationships that agencies have with their respective communities, situational awareness, and an understanding of the benefits and impacts of a particular course of action. With these foundational ideas underpinning our decision-making processes, we will adapt and continue to provide outstanding services in these difficult times. ☆

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<sup>1</sup> 2020 U.S. LEXIS 5708 (Nov. 25, 2020)

<sup>2</sup> See *Winter v. NRDC, Inc.*, 555 U. S. 7, 20 (2008).

<sup>3</sup> *Church of Lukumi Babalu Aye, Inc. v. Hialeah*, 508 U. S. 520, 533 (1993).

<sup>4</sup> The Court noted businesses deemed “essential” included campgrounds and acupuncture facilities. A dubious Justice Gorsuch noted in his concurrence that bicycle repair shops and liquor stores, among others, were also deemed “essential.”

<sup>5</sup> *Elrod v. Burns*, 427 U. S. 347, 373 (1976) (plurality opinion).

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**A HAPPY RETIREMENT!**

Cathy began her career at CSSA over twenty-nine years ago as Administrative Assistant, and as the association grew to employ its own legislative advocate, she requested to add the legislative area to her responsibilities. The job has continuously evolved into her most recent position of focusing on state and federal legislative issues, political action, legal, tribal issues, public lands policy, and sheriff-coroner concerns. She has also served as CSSA's representative on various law enforcement-related task forces and committees throughout her career.

CSSA would like to say, "thank you" to Cathy for her many years of service and dedication to the Association and to the Sheriffs of California. We wish you all the best in your retirement, you will be missed! ✨



# Madison McCallough



## California State Sheriffs' Association Foundation (CSSAF) Second-in-Command "John Sully" Scholarship

The California State Sheriffs' Association (CSSA) and the 58 elected sheriffs of California are very pleased to congratulate Madison McCallough on being our 2019 recipient of the California State Sheriffs' Association Foundation (CSSAF) Second-in-Command "John Sully" Scholarship.

This scholarship was created to honor the memory of former Sonoma County Undersheriff John Sully. "Sully" as he was known had a distinguished 30-year law enforcement career. He was dependable, enthusiastic, fair and trustworthy. He cared about people and worked hard to make their lives better. Sully loved to laugh-and make others laugh-and he had an infectious smile. He fought a valiant 5-year battle with kidney cancer with much courage, strength, and dignity. Sully is remembered with great fondness and respect by those who were fortunate enough to know and love him.

Undersheriff Jerry Jones, of the Butte County Sheriff's Office was the 2019 recipient of the Second-in-Command "John Sully" Memorial Award. He is the fourth recipient of this award, intended to honor a Second-in-Command who has demonstrated outstanding performance. After being selected Undersheriff Jones was given the responsibility of advertising the scholarship opportunity within his county. He was then tasked with selecting three students as finalists, and out of those finalists the CSSA President and his Counsel selected Madison McCallough as the final winner.

Madison is now attending California State University Chico, majoring in Liberal Studies and working towards her teaching

credentials. Her long-term goal is becoming an Elementary School Teacher in Butte County where she grew up, with future plans to go back to school for her Master's Degree as well.

Congratulations again, we wish you well in all of your future endeavors.

We would also like to congratulate Undersheriff Jerry Jones on his recent retirement from the Butte County Sheriff's Office. ✨



Madison received her award prior to the COVID-19 outbreak.

# CSSA WELCOMES OUR NEWEST SHERIFFS



## *Sheriff Jeremy Briese, Mariposa County*

Sheriff Jeremy Briese is committed to his vision for the Mariposa County Sheriff's Office; Safety, transparency, professionalism and community.

Jeremy and his wife Caroline are both born and raised in Mariposa where they continue to live and raise their two children, Emma and Ethan. The Briese family collectively work, live, attend school and enjoy all of the beauty Mariposa has to offer.

Jeremy understands the importance of community policing and the teamwork needed to produce the best public safety plan for his community. Jeremy is active in his community, volunteering his time as a youth sports coach, active Lions club member and a previous

board member for the Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation. Jeremy achieved a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and an Associate's degree in business management and marketing.

Jeremy will be the 24th Sheriff of Mariposa County where he has served the community in a law enforcement capacity for twenty years. Jeremy has held every rank within the Public Safety Division of the Mariposa County Sheriff's Office, most recently as Undersheriff, preparing him to effectively lead the Sheriff's Office.

"Mariposa Strong" derives from all of us as a community working together and helping one another.



## *Sheriff Jeremiah LaRue, Siskiyou County*

In September 2020, Sheriff Jeremiah LaRue was appointed by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors to fill the remaining term of retired Sheriff Jon Lopey. Sheriff LaRue is the Chief Law Enforcement Officer and Chief Coroner of Siskiyou County. He is responsible for providing public protection and investigating crimes that occur within the unincorporated areas and contract cities in Siskiyou County. He and his staff are also responsible for determining the cause, manner, and circumstances of specified deaths in Siskiyou County.

A Siskiyou County native, Sheriff LaRue grew up in a small Northern California town of Dunsmuir, California. Sheriff LaRue began his law enforcement career at the age of 19 by joining the Yreka Police Department as a Reserve Officer. In 2006, Sheriff LaRue was hired by the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office where he served in many assignments throughout the agency, including as a resident

deputy in his hometown of Dunsmuir. Promoting through the ranks of Corporal, Sergeant, and Lieutenant, Sheriff LaRue served in, and directed, several special teams, to include: Training, Public Information, Search and Rescue, Major Crimes, Water Safety, and he taught extensively for the agency and in the law enforcement academy.

In 2013, Sheriff LaRue partnered with College of the Siskiyous and the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) to develop a local law enforcement academy in Siskiyou County. The development of the academy allowed for locals who are rooted in the community to receive training without having to relocate to pursue their career goals elsewhere. The academy has gained tremendous momentum and presents two academy classes per year. Many of the graduating cadets are currently employed and serving locally in Siskiyou County. ✨



# Recently Retired Sheriffs



## ***Sheriff Doug Binnewies, Mariposa County***

On December 28, 2020, Sheriff Doug Binnewies retired from the Mariposa County Sheriff's Office after more than thirty years in law enforcement, serving three terms as elected Sheriff. During his time as Sheriff, Sheriff Binnewies served as Vice-Chair on the Sheriff-Coroner Committee.



## ***Sheriff Jon Lopey, Siskiyou County***

On September 18, 2020, Sheriff Jon Lopey retired from the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office after more than forty years in law enforcement, serving three terms as elected Sheriff. During his time as Sheriff, Sheriff Lopey was the Chair of the Public Lands Committee.

***Congratulations on your well-deserved retirements. We sincerely thank you for your contributions to CSSA and wish you all the best! ☆***

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# DEPUTY RILEY JARECKI

*Napa County Sheriff's Office, USA*

Napa County Deputy Riley Jarecki comes from a family with a history of public service. She follows in the footsteps of her father, a retired sheriff's sergeant, her grandfather who was a Napa Police Department captain, and her aunt who is a member of the Napa Fire Department. Prior to joining Law Enforcement, Deputy Jarecki earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications and received a certificate in public relations from Boise State University. She joined the Napa County Sheriff's Office in June of 2018 and currently serves in the patrol bureau and is a certified DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Instructor. She is also a member of the Napa County Sheriff's Office Dive team. In March of 2019 she was named Honorary Woman of the Year and First Responder of the Year.

On February 17, 2019, Deputy Jarecki was on duty, patrolling a rural area in Napa County. At 10:59 p.m. she noticed a car parked on the road facing in the wrong direction. She called in her location and proceeded to check the car and its inhabitant out. She found a man sitting behind the wheel and spoke with him through the slightly open window from the passenger side telling him to keep his hands on the wheel. The man agreed that she could look around and she proceeds to shine her flashlight into the car as she walked around the rear of the vehicle and approached the driver side.

As Deputy Jarecki approached the driver's door, she told him to roll the window down. The suspect muttered something to himself before complying, he then pointed a gun at her and fired several shots, one was at point blank range. Deputy Jarecki backed up to the rear of the car as the suspect started the engine. She radioed in that shots had been fired and then fired shots from her weapon into the vehicle, aiming for the suspect. Deputy Jarecki said she saw the gun flash and her ears

started ringing, she thought she had been hit but was still able to fire her weapon and call in for backup. The suspect had been killed and Deputy Jarecki was uninjured.

The suspect had multiple aliases and an extensive criminal history, including charges of selling controlled substances, assault with a deadly weapon, driving drunk and battering of a peace officer. He had been living in his car at the time of the incident and the car was registered to a fake name, so Deputy Jarecki was unaware of his previous history. Officers also found a Winchester 74, .22 calibre rifle and a gas-powered pellet rifle in the car, along with .22 calibre cartridges on the suspects person. Although the suspect died from his gunshot wounds, he was found to have methamphetamine in his system. Despite only two and a half years of experience, by following her training when facing the threat Deputy Jarecki survived.

IAWP President Deborah Friedl, "The IAWP is so pleased to recognize the outstanding work of our colleagues in law enforcement. These stories exemplify that with the right tools, training and opportunity, women excel in policing and keep our communities safer."

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**The California State Sheriffs' Association would like to Congratulate Deputy Riley Jarecki on receiving the IAWP 2020 Bravery Award! ★**



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# 2020 Training Highlights

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF CSSAF

The California State Sheriffs' Association Foundation (CSSAF) is pleased to present highlights of the educational trainings we provided to the professional and sworn staff of the Sheriff's Offices of California. Your generous donations assisted in providing the following essential trainings:

### BASIC CIVIL PROCEDURES SCHOOL

This class is a 40-hour course. This class is designed to introduce Sheriff's Office Civil Division staff to the Civil Process and its associated duties. This includes, but is not limited to the Notice Process and the Enforcement Process. A combination of lectures, practical exercises and scenarios are employed to give students a solid platform with which to work from in their continuing education on the job. Students successfully completing the course will gain a better understanding of the writ system and basic civil process, in addition to use of the CSSA Civil Procedures Manual. *Certified through the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.*

### CIVIL PROCEDURES SEMINAR

This annual training is designed to provide updated information specific to Civil Process and Procedures performed by the Sheriff's Office. The seminar provides civil staff with the latest and most important information regarding laws and procedures such as: writ of sale real property, where to find your answers, 3rd party-CRTP and legislative update. *Certified through the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.*

### CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES SEMINAR

This annual seminar focused on topics that are currently affecting the Correctional Officers and Jail Administrators of the 58 Sheriff's offices of California. The seminar included topics of officer wellness, updates from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC), legal updates and open dialogue discussing current issues in the jails. *Certified through the Board of State and Community Corrections' Standards and Training for Corrections program.*

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS/ SHERIFF'S SECRETARIES VIRTUAL TRAININGS

The trainings were comprised of topics on Combating Unconscious Bias: Strategies for Developing Cultural Awareness, COVID-19 and best practices.

### FINANCIAL MANAGERS VIRTUAL TRAINING

During this training the Department of Finance presented on the state budget and economic forecast, followed by a best practice session.



STATEMENT FROM  
SHERIFF BARNES  
ON PASSING OF

*Former Orange County Sheriff*  
**SANDRA HUTCHENS**

**SANTA ANA, CA.** (January 4, 2021): Please see the statement below from Orange County Sheriff Don Barnes.

"It is with a heavy heart that I announce the passing of former Sheriff Sandra Hutchens. In November 2012, Sheriff Hutchens was diagnosed with breast cancer. She courageously fought this disease while still leading this department. Her fight was successful for eight years. Unfortunately, the cancer recently returned and Sheriff Hutchens passed this morning with her loved ones by her side.

"Sandra Hutchens served as the 12th Orange County Sheriff from 2008-2019. She took office at a difficult time. The public's trust had been broken by the previous sheriff. Upon taking office, she immediately took action to put one of the nation's largest law enforcement agencies back on track. She was a leader whose ethics matched the culture of the men and women of this department. She restored our pride, gave us back our dignity and rebuilt trust with the people we serve. She kept her oath, kept her promises, and ended her time in office leaving this agency better than when she started.

"Hemingway described courage as "grace under pressure." There is no one who embodied that description more than Sandra Hutchens. Sheriff Hutchens lived her life and led this agency with courage, grace and dignity. She bravely closed her life in the same manner. When I last spoke to her she was strong, maintained her sense of humor and continued to have a deep love and appreciation for the people of Orange County. Her legacy will endure for many years through all those she mentored and entrusted with helping her lead the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

"For me personally, she was a mentor and a friend. I will continue to be inspired by her commitment to always do the right thing, regardless of the consequences, and serve with the department and community's interests first without need for self-recognition. I am tremendously grateful for the opportunities she presented me, and the many lessons I learned from her over the years.

"In keeping with Sheriff Hutchens' wishes, there will not be a memorial service. Her family has asked that donations be made in her name to Drug Use is Life Abuse ([www.duila.org](http://www.duila.org)) or the Susan G. Komen Foundation ([www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org)), two charities she actively supported while in office." ✨

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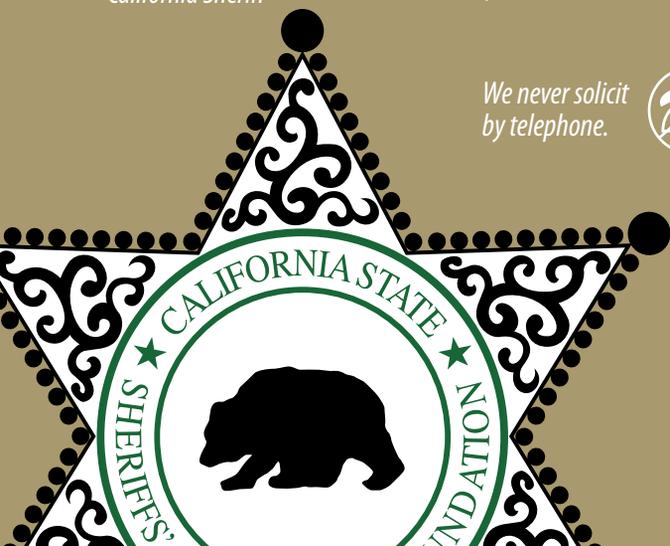
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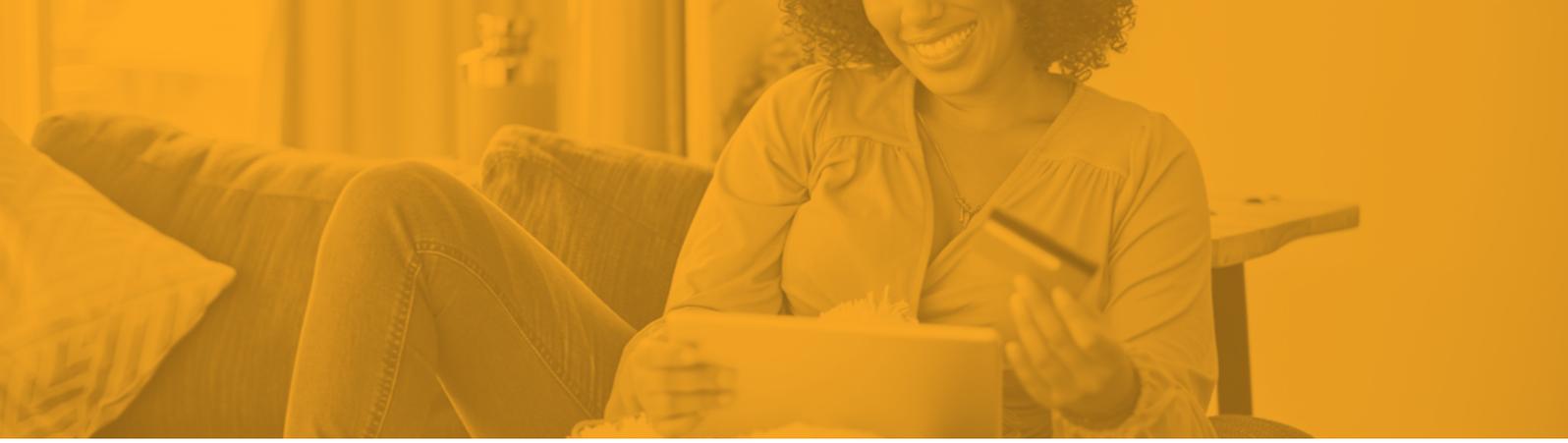
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