



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Salazar Announces Agent Promotions

Chief Jason Salazar announces the promotions of Officer Robert Meier, Officer Vincent Muto, Officer Ryan Park, and Officer Cole Sinatra to the position of Police Agent.

In 1999, Robert Meier began his law enforcement career at the Tulare County Sheriff's Department where he was assigned to the Detention Division, Patrol Division, and as a Community Based Deputy. In 2009, Robert was hired by the Porterville Police Department where he held various assignments including Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, SWAT, Detective, and Officer in Charge. In 2014, Robert was hired by the Visalia Police Department where he has held assignments in Patrol, Field Training Unit, and in his current assignment as a Detective in the Violent Crimes Unit.

In 2013, Vincent Muto began his law enforcement career as a police officer at the Visalia Police Department. During this time, he has been assigned to Patrol, Honor Guard, SWAT, and in his current assignment as a Gang Suppression Officer in the Special Enforcement Unit. Vincent holds a Bachelor's Degree in International Studies from California State University Long Beach and a Master's degree in Strategic and Organizational Leadership from Fresno Pacific University.

In 2006, Ryan Park began his law enforcement career as a police officer at the Visalia Police Department. During this time, he has been assigned to Patrol, Explorers, DUI Enforcement Team, the Field Training Unit, CIT, the K9 Unit, and in his current assignment as a motor officer in the Traffic Unit. Ryan holds an Associate's of Science degree in Criminal Justice from California Coast University.

In 2008, Cole began his law enforcement career with the Tulare County Probation Department where he was assigned as a Probation and Correctional Officer. In 2013, Cole was hired by the Tulare County Sheriff's Office. During his time at TCSO, Cole held various assignments including Patrol Deputy, K9 handler, Search and Rescue Team member, Detective in Narcotics/Marijuana Investigation Team, and a member in SWAT. In 2020, Cole was hired by the Visalia Police Department where he has held assignments in Patrol and in his current assignment as a Field Training Officer. Cole holds a Bachelor's degree in Criminology from California State University Fresno and a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership from Union Institute & University.



Their new promotions will take effect on Saturday, July 16, 2022.

