



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Salazar Announces Police Captain Promotions

Chief Jason Salazar announces the promotions of Lieutenant Daniel Ford and Lieutenant Andrew Swarthout to the position of Police Captain.

Lieutenant Daniel Ford began his career with the Visalia Police Department as a Police Officer in 2005. During his employment, Daniel has held assignments in Patrol, DUI Enforcement Team, Gang Suppression Unit, and the Violent Crimes Unit - where he also served as a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. In 2016, Daniel was promoted to the rank of Sergeant where he was assigned to the Patrol Division, Violent Crimes Unit, and the Professional Standards Bureau. In 2019, Daniel was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant where he was assigned as the Investigations Bureau Lieutenant and most recently as the District 1 Commander. Lieutenant Ford holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and Criminology and a Master's Degree in Administrative Leadership.

Lieutenant Swarthout began his law enforcement career with the Visalia Police Department in 2006. During his employment, Andrew has held assignments in the DUI Unit, Field Training Unit, Property Crimes Unit, and the Violent Crimes Unit. In 2017, Andrew was promoted to Agent where he supervised the Homeless Outreach and Proactive Enforcement (HOPE) Team and the Commercial Policing Unit. In October of 2017, Andrew promoted to Sergeant and was assigned to the Patrol Division. In 2019, he was promoted to Lieutenant where he held assignments as Night Watch Commander, District One Commander, and most recently the Special Enforcement Bureau Commander. Lieutenant Andrew Swarthout has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from California Coast University and a Master's Degree in Law Enforcement and Public Safety Leadership from the University of San Diego.

Both Lieutenant Ford and Lieutenant Swarthout are graduates of the Executive Leadership Institute (ELI) and Drucker School of Management.

Their new promotions will take effect on Saturday, August 13, 2022.

