



# Scott Jones

## Executive Director Crime Prevention Program of Southern California

Scott Jones currently serves as the Executive Director of the California Peace Officers' Association, a statewide law enforcement association that provides contemporary leadership development, training, technology expos, and legislative advocacy throughout the State for law enforcement professionals. CPOA currently has about 30,000 members.

Prior to his selection to his current role, Scott started with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department in 1989. As a deputy, he worked in corrections, patrol, and Legal Affairs. He was assigned as the Department's legal advisor for over seven years and promoted through the ranks to Sergeant, Lieutenant and finally Captain. He commanded such Bureaus and Divisions as Internal Affairs, Legal Affairs, the Main Jail, and Centralized Investigations Division, and served as an assistant to both the Chief of Corrections and former Sheriff McGinness.

Sheriff Jones was sworn in as Sacramento's 36<sup>th</sup> Sheriff in December 2010 and ran unopposed and was elected to a second term in 2014. He was easily elected to his third and final term in 2018. Under his watch, while stewarding the Department out of the worst financial crisis of its history, Sheriff Jones implemented several significant initiatives, including creating a multi-jurisdictional Impact Division that uses active intelligence to fight gangs and remove gang leaders, opening the Department's first new communications dispatch center in over 40 years, developing an annual strategic planning process that prioritizes projects and drives the Department forward, winning federal grants that were among the highest awarded in the country, and establishing the Department's first Community Relations and Youth Services Units. He oversaw the acquisition and move into a new headquarters building.

During his tenure as Sheriff, Scott became a national resource for public safety issues. He testified twice in front of Congress, has appeared on national news programs on every network, and was invited by two different administrations to the White House. He has met Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries of State, Speakers of the House, numerous members of the Congress, and Directors of Homeland Security, ICE and the FBI. Sheriff Jones ran for Congress in 2016, narrowly losing to a several-term incumbent.

Sheriff Jones has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from CSU Sacramento, and a Juris Doctor (Law) degree from Lincoln Law School. He is also a graduate of the West Point Leadership Program, as well as the FBI's National Executive Institute.

Scott lives in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains of California with his wife of over 30 years. Together they have 4 children.