

PARTICIPANTS

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Daniel Hahn is chief of the Sacramento Police Department. He was born and raised in the Oak Park neighborhood of Sacramento and graduated from Sacramento High School. While at Sacramento City College, he applied to the Sacramento Police Department for the position of community service officer. He was hired in 1987 and rose through the ranks to captain. He has served in numerous assignments, including public information officer, high school criminal justice academy coordinator, watch commander, special investigations commander, patrol commander, and personnel division commander. In 2011, he was sworn in as Roseville's 15th chief of police and served for six years before returning to Sacramento. During his career, he has been honored with many awards. He is a member of numerous organizations, such as the California Police Chiefs Association, and volunteers his time on several boards throughout the region. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from California State University, Sacramento, and an MPA from National University. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy, POST Command College, the Sierra Health Foundation Leadership Program, and the American Leadership Forum.

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