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Meet Orinda's New Police Chief – Scott S. Haggard

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Chief Scott S. Haggard Photo Ohlen Alexander

"I jumped in with both feet and I've been able to help so many people with real problems. It has been extremely rewarding."

He has enabled business owners to weed out dishonesty and resolve issues of employee theft, and nailed lowlifes who were taking advantage of others through financial crimes. During his time in field

operations, he served as a county patrol officer and member of the J Team before being promoted to sergeant – and on up through various supervisory positions. "As a lieutenant, I worked as the patrol watch commander and as the facility commander for the West County Jail."

Leaving the jail for the job in Orinda was hard, he says, because he had established such solid working relationships. "I learned many aspects of managing a \$20 million budget, maintaining the morale of about 100 staff members, working with partners from various agencies, community groups, and programs that all have unique needs. It really is a huge operation."

One of his best law enforcement moments – an incident he says he will always remember – arose from an encounter with a woman who had approached him with a question about divorce paperwork. Something about the interaction, though, weighed on his heart and mind. An approachable guy, he was able to persuade the woman to unburden herself when they reconnected. Details from years of domestic violence poured out. The woman's husband was arrested, and Haggard was able to help the woman and her young daughters to connect with life-changing services.

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