

My name is Steve Lagorio and I currently work at the San Jose Police Department (SJPd). I have been in law enforcement for twenty-five years and hold the rank of Captain. I am currently assigned to the Special Operations Division where I oversee SWAT, Canine, Bomb, UAS, Traffic, Street Gang enforcement and San Jose Airport police operations. During my years in law enforcement, I have also collaborated with numerous local, state, and federal agencies.

During my years with SJPd I have had countless opportunities to interact with the media on camera to discuss critical incidents. Public relations in law enforcement happens on a daily basis and speaking to a crowd of hundreds of people is common occurrence.

I am currently a SF InfraGard (SFIG) board member and served as the Secretary for a year and a half. This past year I helped SFIG launch its Sector Chief Program. I am currently the Sector Chief Coordinator for SFIG, and co-chair on the Emergency Services Sector. Over the past two years I have been able to share my law enforcement experience through several webinars that were hosted by SFIG and NCRIC.

I am continuously thrust into the role as a leader and manager in Law Enforcement. I enjoy both roles and appreciate the opportunity to mentor others as events unfold. I tend to have a leadership style that gives clear direction while allowing for adjustments during fluid situations. I pride myself on my organizational skills, which helps me to keep pace on large critical events with multiple moving parts. I have lived in the Bay Area for my entire life and serving as a board member is a great opportunity to give back. I would like to continue to utilize my training, knowledge, and experience to help the San Francisco Bay Area InfraGard Alliance grow and prepare for the future.

As a leader in one of the largest law enforcement agencies in the Bay Area I have been exposed to numerous large-scale events. These events range from large public gatherings and sporting events, to critical incidents related to law enforcement. I have had the opportunity to not only learn about leadership in my profession but to practice it in dynamic real-world incidents. In recent years I have responded to large-scale events such as Gilroy Garlic Festival Active Shooter - 2019, San Jose George Floyd Protests - 2020, Assault on Law Enforcement in the Santa Cruz Mountains – 2020, and the VTA Active Shooter – 2021.

I see growing the local chapter membership and participation as one of the most important challenges for the Bay Area InfraGard chapter. I am continually surprised at how many people do not know about InfraGard and the opportunities that it provides for networking and collaboration. If re-elected, one of my goals would be to increase the membership of both civilians and first responders. My second goal would be to increase awareness in the Bay Area of critical infrastructure protection by leveraging additional avenues of outreach through current members.

Emergency Services is the sector that I am most interested in because it is my profession. I have extensive knowledge of law enforcement practices and capabilities in the Bay Area. In the past couple of years, I have been able to expand my knowledge and network within Bay Area UASI, SHSGP, NCRIC, SFIG, and Federal partners. I see the Communications Sector as vitally important also. Interoperability between first responders is crucial for being able to recover from a catastrophic regional event. I have worked with our in-house radio technicians to design and compile our current radio channel lineup at SJPd to improve our functionality throughout the Bay Area.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to serve.

Respectfully,
Steve Lagorio