



# CALIFORNIA STATE LODGE

## FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE

Dr. Timothy Sowards, Treasurer

Dr. Timothy Sowards has a Bachelors in Communication Studies, a Masters in Criminal Justice, and a Doctorate in Public Policy and Administration. Dr. Sowards joined the Sacramento County Probation Department in January 2001. During his tenure he has been assigned to numerous positions within both Juvenile and Adult Probation. Dr. Sowards is the lead department instructor for use of force and instructs both academy and active service officers.

Dr. Sowards was elected to the Sacramento County Probation Association as a board of director and in 2009 he was elected as the Vice President where he has served the 600 sworn probation officers.

While with the Association, Dr. Sowards founded the N. California Probation Lodge #19 which he is the Vice President and has grown the lodge to represent 10 counties and over 1250 probation officers. In 2013, Dr. Sowards Co-Found of the Randy Yamada Foundation which is one of the only probation specific benevolent funds in the State.

Dr. Sowards is also an adjunct professor at California State University Sacramento, California State University Chico, DeVry University, Napa Valley College, and American River College. He uses his knowledge and passion for law enforcement to mentor and shape the future generations of law enforcement officers.

During Dr. Sowards tenure, he has instructed numerous academies and active duty law enforcement officers throughout California. Dr. Sowards is an academically published author relative to Use of Force. Dr. Sowards has been retained as an expert for law enforcement use of force cases and juvenile institution PREA cases.

Dr. Sowards was elected to the CAFOP Treasurer position in 2015. Dr. Sowards philosophy is "Perseverance Will Overcome Adversity"