BAY AREA LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE FUND



Lieutenant (retired) Richard Reyes / Associate Board Member

I was born in 1951 in Kansas City, Missouri, then moved to San Francisco in 1965. I attended Everett Junior High School, Galileo High School, City College of San Francisco, and Golden Gate University, and hold an AA in Business Administration and Criminology.

I worked at the PX in the Presidio; then, became a civil servant, working for the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) in 1971 as a fingerprint tech, followed by working at the I.D. Bureau, and then City Prison. Following working at the jail, I worked as a station officer at Richmond Station before entering the Academy in 1977 as a member of the 128th Recruit Class. After training at Mission Station, I worked as an officer at Northern Station and Muni, and for a short time as an officer and Sergeant at Park, Richmond, Taraval, Bayview, and Central Stations, and the Warrant Bureau, and as a Sergeant at Ingleside Station, Records, Auto Status, and the Domestic Violence Unit. I was promoted to Lieutenant and served at Southern and Mission Stations, and the Airport before retiring several years ago.

While in the Department, I served as an Field Training Officer (FTO) and FTO Sergeant, as a hostage negotiator, was on the Critical Incident Response Team, did suicide prevention, and worked with the SFPD Wilderness Program for 10 years. I assisted former police chaplain, Rev. Mike Ryan, when the San Mateo County Critical Stress Management Team was formed in the 90's, and I'm still active with the team. Rev. Ryan asked me to join BALEAF in 1999 when the organization was being formed, which I agreed to do, and have served on the Board ever since. I joined BALEAF's Board to give back or pay forward to the officers who have helped me throughout my career and lifetime.

When I'm not involved with BALEAF, I enjoy hiking, snow skiing, going to movies and concerts, wine tasting, ballroom dancing, traveling, especially foreign travel, and going out to dinner to try some unknown dives! I currently care for my mother and help my girlfriend care for her mother.