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### **Task Force's New Co-chairs Bring Geographic Diversity**

Police chiefs from Arizona, California and Iowa will serve as new co-chairs of the [Law Enforcement Immigration Task Force \(LEITF\)](#).

The newly announced leaders are **Chief Chad E. Kasmar** of Tucson, Arizona; **Chief Michael Tupper** of Marshalltown, Iowa; and **Chief David Valentin** of Santa Ana, California. Each has worked to build trust, respect and safety across their communities, no matter community members' immigration status.

The three join co-chair **Sheriff Ed Gonzalez** of Harris County, Texas.

"Vibrant communities rise from a foundation built on trust, access, and opportunity," **Chief Kasmar said**. "As a 3rd generation Tucsonan, an immigrant-welcoming community 45 minutes from our southern border, I understand better than most the critical role the LEITF takes on in educating, organizing, and galvanizing public safety leaders in the pursuit of trust, access, and opportunity for all members of the communities we serve."

"Here in Iowa and around the country, those of us in law enforcement depend on trusting relationships with the communities we protect — including immigrant communities," **Chief Tupper said**. "To keep our communities safe and thriving, we need meaningful immigration reforms and bipartisan approaches."

"It is an honor and privilege to be selected for this executive leadership position alongside other executive leaders from impacted communities nationwide," **Chief Valentin said**. "I look forward to discussing and implementing policy recommendations and innovative ideas to be able to continue to advocate for sensible immigration solutions, with a clear focus on keeping our community and public safety personnel safe."