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## *The Culture, Saints, & Music of the Cartels and Gangs*

*STC Certified #09990449*

Friday, April 5th, 2024

0800-1700

Location: Rocklin Police Department

4080 Rocklin Rd,

Rocklin, CA 95677

**Instructor:** Robert was appointed as the United States Marshal for the Western District of Texas in 2010 where he served until 2016. He had previously retired from the El Paso Police Department after 25 years and retired as a Deputy Chief. As the Deputy Chief, Robert oversaw the Major Crimes Bureau, which included the Homicide Unit, Crimes Against Persons Unit, as well as the gang and narcotics units. Robert was assigned to the Narcotics Unit for 13 years, where he worked as a detective, conducting undercover work, as well as a Supervisor of the Street Crimes Unit and the Major Crimes Unit, and 7 years as the Narcotics Commander. Robert is recognized as an expert on Mexican Cartels and has been interviewed by “Good Morning America”, Fox and Friends, NBC News Today, The New York Post, The Washington Post, as well as International News Outlets. Robert continues to conduct extensive research on the Mexican Cartels by going into Mexico and conducting ride-along with different law enforcement agencies on the border. Robert has consulted for several prosecutors and law enforcement agencies regarding Mexican Cartel and Gang-related homicides in the United States.

**Description:** This fast-paced course will begin with a brief overview of the History of the Cartels, as well as the current cartels, with the focus on the two most powerful cartels that are impacting the United States; The Sinaloa Cartel and the New Generation Cartel (CJNG). There will also be discussion on Mexican Cartel-Related murders in the United States and how the Cartels are working with different gangs in the USA. The course will delve into the culture, beliefs, and music of the Mexican Cartels and Gangs. Drug and human traffickers, gang members, jail inmates and others involve their culture, saints, and music in their criminal activity for protection from law enforcement and for a favorable outcome in a court case. Cockfights, horse races, and rodeos are a part of the Mexican Cartel culture where drug dealings and drug negotiations occur. There is also music known as “Narcocorridos” that glorifies the Mexican Cartels and their violence. Information will be provided on the meaning and purpose of the music, as well as the musicians that are performing the music throughout the United States. There will be a discussion on how all to use this information to assist in conducting Mexican Cartel Investigations.

### ***PLEASE NOTE:***

***THIS COURSE CONTAINS EXTREMELY GRAPHIC MATERIAL***

**Fee:** This is a **Free Class**. It is sponsored through the Counterdrug Training (MCTC).

Please register at [www.cnoa.org/events/calendar](http://www.cnoa.org/events/calendar).

Check-in begins at 0730 hours with class starting by 0800. If you have questions regarding the training, contact Erin Horn at [ehorn@wsin.riss.net](mailto:ehorn@wsin.riss.net) or George Negrete at [gnegrete@sjgov.org](mailto:gnegrete@sjgov.org). CNOA membership applications will be available for those wishing to join.

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