

ANDREW MILLS

Chief of Police, Santa Cruz Police Department
Board Position: A chief of police, appointed by the Governor,
subject to Senate confirmation.

Andrew Mills was appointed the Chief of Police for the City of Santa Cruz in July 2017. With 35 years of law enforcement experience, as Chief of Police in both Santa Cruz and formerly Eureka, he has strived to become a community-centric and effective crime fighter. He compassionately confronts some of society's most challenging problem openly and transparently.

Mills was the 2000 recipient of the Police Executive Research Forum's Gary P. Hayes award for his contributions to improving the quality of police service nationally. Mills managed one patrol team that won the Herman Goldstein Award for Excellence in Problem-Oriented Policing and three others that were finalists. His work in the field is documented in several publications by PERF and the COPS Office. Chief Mills has authored and published in several other periodicals.