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Vallejo Fighting Back Partnership names new Executive Director

Vallejo, CA-Fighting Back Partnership's Board of Directors has announced Vallejo Police Lt. Reggie Garcia to be the organization's new Executive Director. The 29-year veteran of the Vallejo Police Department will begin his new position in mid-July.

Lt. Garcia was chosen because of his long-time relationship with Fighting Back Partnership and his knowledge of the organization's programs. Kathy Hoffman, President of Fighting Back's Board of Directors comments, "After a national search the Board is excited to have found a local person with both Reggie's strong knowledge of community strategies and an intense connection to the residents of Vallejo."

Lt. Garcia has been actively involved in many of Fighting Back's programs as a representative of the Vallejo Police Department. One program in which he has been particularly active is the Vallejo Neighborhood Revitalization Program. Lt. Garcia states: "I have been impressed by the quality of all the programs that Fighting Back implements in the community. I have been active in many of them. Of particular importance to me is the work of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program. This work changes neighborhoods. It is essential that we find continued funding to keep this work alive. I am hoping the City may be able to help out here."

A product of the community that he works for, Garcia attended local schools before attending college. In addition to having experience in community-policing strategies that dates back to 1986, he has also been the domestic violence trainer for the Vallejo Police Department since 1986. In addition, he graduated from the FBI National Academy in 2000 and holds a Bachelor of Sciences in psychology from UC Davis, and a Master's in Public Administration from Golden Gate University.

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