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VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT DEDICATES BREACHING FAÇADE TO BOMB COMMANDER

On Monday, November 21, 2011, the Visalia Police Department honored one of the Department's first bomb technicians.

Chuck Hindenburg was recognized and a plaque was affixed to the Department's explosive breaching façade in appreciation for his many years of dedicated service to the members of the Visalia Police Department and the community as the Commander of the Department's Bomb Squad.

Chuck began his career as a member of the Visalia Police Department Bomb Squad in 1990. Chuck participated in the development of the bomb squad from a simple pair of crimpers in 1990, to today's bomb truck equipped with modern EOD robot, bomb suit, and x-ray machine. The Police Department attributes the progression of the bomb squad to Chuck's experience and dedication. Chuck was instrumental in the consolidation of the Visalia Police Department and Tulare County Sheriff's Department Bomb Squads.

The Visalia Police Department dedicated the explosive training façade so that future officers and bomb technicians will know the positive footprint Chuck Hindenburg placed on the Department's bomb squad.



Chuck Hindenburg

