

Governor Gary R. Herbert
Lt. Governor Spencer J. Cox

2018 GOVERNOR'S PUBLIC SAFETY SUMMIT



Utah Department of Public Safety's Commissioner, Keith Squires will discuss the Operation Rio Grande which launched August 14, 2017. As each phase of this operation achieves success, the environment in the Rio Grande area will improve for those individuals seeking supportive services to overcome homelessness. Outcomes of this operation include:

- Improve public safety by improving and order by reducing the crime rate.
- Support people struggling with mental illness and drug addiction so they can return to a path of self reliance.
- Prepare and connect individuals to income that supports housing.

Commissioner Squires will share how collaboration, communication, and a caring focus has made this program a success.



Sheriff Bill Brown from Santa Barbara County, will discuss the challenges of recovering from two major disasters within a month of each other. First by a wildfire that consumed nearly 300,000 acres, and then by mudslides that killed 17 people. Sheriff Brown will share his experiences and lessons learned from these devastating disasters.



Deputy Chief Shawn Anderson of the Las Vegas Metro Police Department will discuss information about the Las Vegas shooting that occurred on the night of October 1, 2017. The incident is the deadliest mass shooting in US history. A gunman opened fire on a crowd of concert-goers at the Route 91 Harvest music festival on the Las Vegas Strip in Nevada, leaving 58 people dead and 851 injured.

Summit Agenda:

May 22

7:00 – Registration
7:00-4:30 Exhibits
7:00-8:00 Breakfast
8:00 – National Anthem
Welcome by Lt. Gov. Spencer J. Cox
8:30 – Keynote, Keith Squires
10:30 – Keynote, Bill Brown
12:00 – Lunch
1:00-4:45 Breakouts

May 23

7:00 – Registration
7:00-1:30 Exhibits
7:00-8:00 Breakfast
8:20 – Keynote, Shawn Anderson
10:30 – Breakouts
11:30 – Lunch
12:30 – Breakouts
1:40 – Closing Remarks, Gov. Gary R. Herbert

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St. George, Utah
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DPS Commissioner
Keith D. Squires