



Justin Edson

Justin Edson was the Founding President of the Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation from 2020-2024.

Justin started Code Enforcement in 2015 after nearly 10 years with a Police Department in California. He served on the Board of Directors for the state association and as Co-Chair of the Officer Safety Committee. Between 2016-2017 he assisted the state association in organizing the backlog of reported incidents into clear data. In 2020, Justin created a website to track incidents nationwide. By November, he and several other like-minded and passionate professionals came together to form the Foundation.

In the first year of existence, the Foundation faced the challenges of being new, unknown, and in need of funding. By 2021, the Foundation established a meaningful and important partnership with the International Code Council. The Foundation also partnered with Dedicated Threat Solutions to create the Code Official Safety Specialist (COSS) program. Justin worked tirelessly through these beginning years to increase marketing, outreach, and messaging to become one of the most recognized professional organizations. The partnerships, volunteers, and training offerings helped put the Foundation on the map. During this period, Justin proposed new international awards, regional representative positions, the COSS name, and designed the logos. He helped guide the Foundation with the support of the Board of Directors.

Justin has also served as a Manager of several municipalities Code Enforcement Divisions since 2019. He is also the author of "Effective Code Enforcement."

Certifications

- ICC/AACE Certified Code Enforcement Administrator
- ICC/AACE Certified Code Enforcement Officer
- CACEO Certified Code Enforcement Officer
- CACEO Supervisor Module
- Certified Executive Leader (McAfee Institute)
- Certified Workplace Violence & Threat Specialist (McAfee Institute)
- Certified Stormwater Inspector (National Stormwater Center)
- Code Official Safety Specialist (COSS) & Advanced (COSS-AOA)
- Situational Awareness Specialist
- Fire Inspector 1a-1d (Red Helmet Training)
- POST Field Training Officer