



## **BRIGADIER GENERAL JAMES L. GABRIELLI** **Commander, Youth and Community Programs Task Force**

Brigadier General James L. Gabrielli was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps in June 1977, after earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree from California State University, Sacramento. He served eight years of active duty as a Commissioned Officer for the United States Marine Corps. After leaving the Marine Corps, General Gabrielli continued his civilian education completing a Masters Degree in Educational Administration from National University as well as a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential and Administrative Services Credential. General Gabrielli is an experienced educator, having served as both a middle school teacher and elementary school principal from 1985 to 2000.

General Gabrielli earned his wings as a Naval Aviator at Pensacola, Florida in December 1979. His next assignment was to Marine Helicopter Training Squadron 204 (HMT-204) in New River, North Carolina. Upon completion of training, General Gabrielli was assigned to Marine Corps Helicopter Squadron HMM 265 in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. His tour in Hawaii included two five-month deployments overseas aboard the USS Tarawa (LHA 1) and the USS Tripoli (LPH 10). In October 1983, General Gabrielli was assigned to Naval Training Squadron VT-27 in Corpus Christi, Texas, as an instructor pilot. General Gabrielli left active duty in October 1985, to join the California Army National Guard. His first assignment in the National Guard was to the 115th Area Support Group (ASG) as the Aviation Maintenance Officer. In 1991, he was selected to command the 118th Maintenance Company in Stockton, California. In 1993, he transferred to the 749th Maintenance Battalion where he served as the Battalion Maintenance Officer and Executive Officer before assuming command of the Battalion in 1996. In 1999, he returned to the 115th ASG as the Director, Security, Plans and Operations. General Gabrielli was promoted to the rank of Colonel in November 2001, and served as the M-Day Director of Surface Maintenance until September 2003, when he was reassigned as the M-Day Director of Information Management. General Gabrielli was assigned to the retired reserve in July 2005. During the period 2002-2011, General Gabrielli was assigned on State Active Duty as the full-time Director of Youth Programs.

His military education includes the Marine Corps Officer Basic Course, Naval Aviator Flight Training Course, Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare Course, Jungle Environment Survival Training Course, Ordnance Officer Advance Course, Combat Service Support Pre-Command Course and the Command and General Staff Officer Course.

General Gabrielli's military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, California Medal of Merit, California Service Medal, Navy "E" Ribbon, Navy Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, California Drill Attendance Ribbon and the Nevada Commendation Medal.