



Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office

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News Release

22 Cadets Graduate from the First-Ever Allan Hancock CORE Custody Deputy Academy

Lompoc – The Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce the graduation of 22 custody deputies from the first-ever Allan Hancock CORE Custody Deputy Academy. The graduating class included 15 custody deputies from the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office and seven correctional deputies from the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office. The graduates received their certificates of completion yesterday, September 8, 2016, at a formal ceremony held at the Allan Hancock College Public Safety Training Complex in Lompoc.

The graduates completed a comprehensive California Standards and Training for Corrections which included 220 hours of instruction. Some of the instruction included emergency planning in a custody facility, report writing, ethics, investigation procedures, classification of inmates, contraband detection, arrest and control and physical training.

The Academy is designed to prepare students mentally, morally, emotionally and physically to work as Correctional Officers. In his keynote address, Santa Barbara County Undersheriff Bernard Melekian spoke directly to the cadets and complimented their career choice. He said, "We live in an era where the concept of service above self is portrayed as outdated or even foolish. Your decision to enter public service, to serve others is a repudiation of that belief. You may have not realized it when you filled out the application, but something drove you to pick this path when there were other paths available that might have been easier. The world you are about to inhabit is among the most challenging in the criminal justice profession. You will be challenged in ways that will test your patience, your courage and your commitment to the principles of the constitution. This Academy has prepared you well."

From the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office the graduates include: Guiseppe Arnoldi, Tori Campbell, Saul Diaz Jr., Kevin Ericksen Jr., Joemarie Fuentes, Cindy Guendulain, Drew Hanafee,

Liana Magda, Marcus Naranjo, Robert Rochelle, Segun Ogunleye Jr., Francisco De La Mora, Robert Ferrel, Thomas Fournier and Jesus Lopez.

From the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office the graduates include: Cory Bright, Tylor Bundy, Tanya Minder, Patricia Montalvo, Scott Needham, Clifford Pacas and Kyle Thomson.

The Sheriff's Office wants to congratulate Custody Deputy Francisco De La Mora for receiving both the Valedictorian and Leadership Awards. We also want to recognize Custody Deputy Guiseppe Arnoldi for receiving the Most Inspirational Award.

We are excited to welcome this great group of new custody deputies to our Sheriff's Office family.

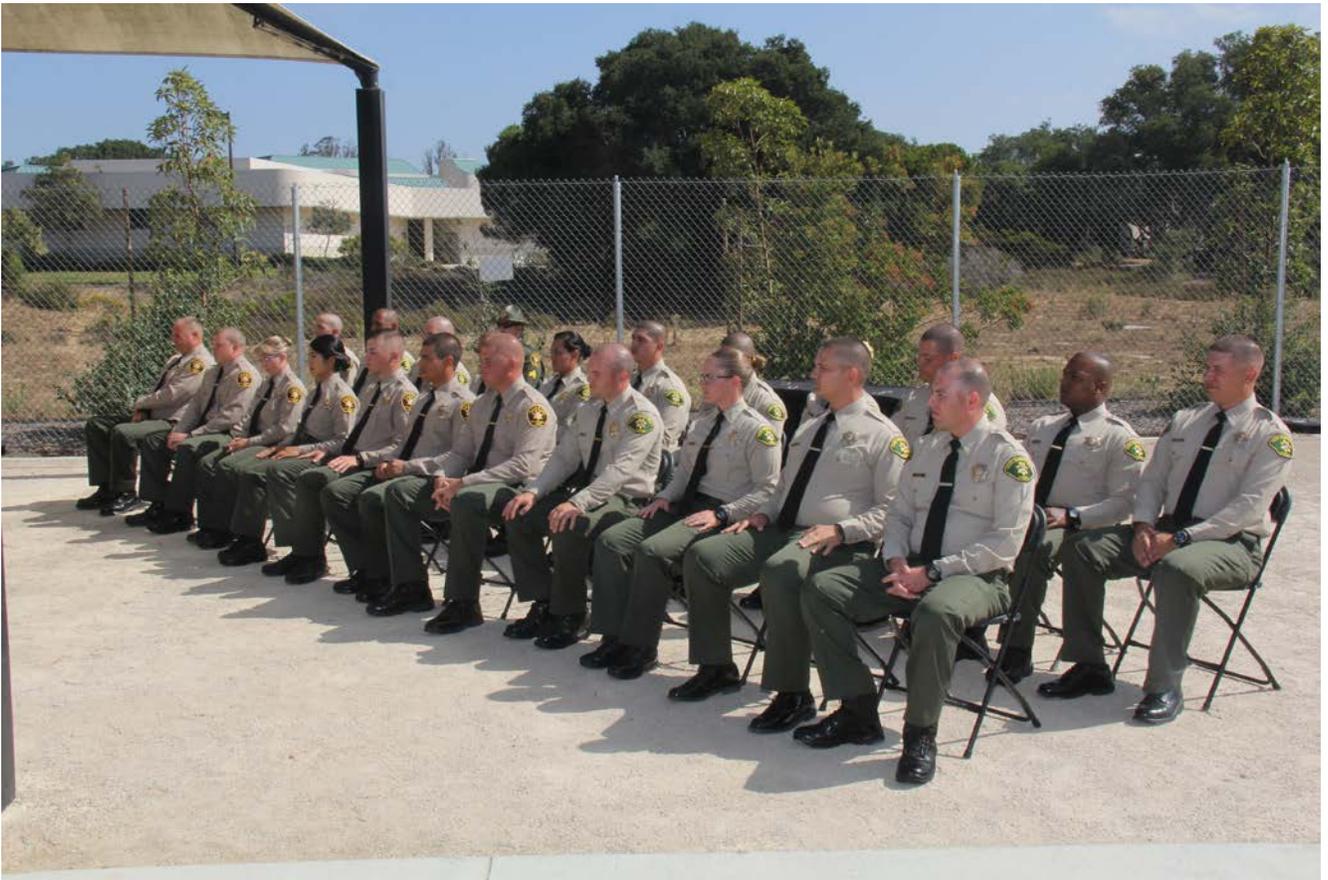
The Sheriff's Office is currently accepting applications for Custody Deputy. This is a tremendous opportunity for individuals who want to make a positive difference and serve their community while pursuing a career in Public Safety. To apply, go to our website at www.sbsheriff.org.











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