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### MONMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CORRECTIONS OFFICERS GRADUATE

**Freehold:** Monmouth County Sheriff Shaun Golden is proud to announce the graduation of 23 recruits from the 33rd Basic Course for County Corrections Officers. The graduation, held at the Monmouth County Police Academy on Nov. 22, comes after the completion of an intense 12 week curriculum that prepares recruits for careers as corrections professionals.

“It takes dedication, courage and compassion to have a career in law enforcement,” said Sheriff Shaun Golden. “As these corrections officers join the ranks of professional men and women, those values will guide them in safeguarding lives and property and preserving peace in a correctional environment.”

Of the 23 recruits, eight will serve at the Monmouth County Correctional Institution, headed by Acting Warden Barry Nadrowski. MCCI is nationally accredited in corrections and correctional healthcare, and houses up to 1,328 inmates. Seven will serve at the Middlesex County Department of Corrections, five will serve at the Ocean County Department of Corrections and three will serve at the Union County Department of Corrections.

Training for the Basic Course for County Corrections Officers is coordinated by Staff Sgt. Christopher Citarella of the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, Corrections Division. Throughout the 12 weeks, the corrections officers engaged in physical training and drill and learned how to properly use firearms, batons, handcuffing techniques and mechanical restraints. They were also trained in unarmed self-defense and emergency medical response. Classroom instruction included topics on law enforcement and ethics, stress management, contraband and evidence processing, characteristics of inmates and drug interdiction and identification.

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“This is a proud moment for the graduates and their family members,” said Freeholder Lillian G. Burry. “These corrections officers selected a career in public service and made a commitment to serve others. It’s not always the easiest course, but it’s the right one.”

The presentation of awards went to John Covone, Ocean County Department of Corrections for marksmanship, Paul Sneddon, Monmouth County Sheriff’s Office Corrections Division for academics, Jonathan Robertson, Monmouth County Sheriff’s Office Corrections Division for physical training and Jonathan Chando, Middlesex County Department of Corrections for merit. To date, 619 corrections officers have completed the Basic Course for County Corrections at the Monmouth County Police Academy.

### 33rd Basic Course for County Corrections Officers

JOSEPH	BARTLINSKI	MIDDLESEX
JONATHAN	CHANDO	MIDDLESEX
CARLENE	CONNELL	OCEAN
JOHN	COVONE	OCEAN
BRIAN	FEIRSTEIN	MONMOUTH
JUSTIN	GOLD	MONMOUTH
MICHAEL	GOLDBERG	UNION
ROMUS	HABYK	MIDDLESEX
CHRISTOPHER	HAINES	MONMOUTH
MICHAEL	HOGAN	MONMOUTH
CHRISTOPHER	LEONARDIS	OCEAN
RENE	MARTE	MIDDLESEX
KEVIN	MARTIN	MIDDLESEX
PABLO	MARTINEZ	OCEAN
JAMES	O'MALLEY	OCEAN
PETER	PICCININNI	MONMOUTH
CHRISTIAN	POSSO	UNION
JONATHAN	ROBERTSON	MONMOUTH
ISLAM	SAAD	MIDDLESEX
PAUL	SNEDDON	MONMOUTH
JONATHAN	SUAREZ	UNION
HARRISON	TEJADA	MIDDLESEX
WILLIAM	TEVLIN	MONMOUTH