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SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROVIDES ENHANCED PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES TO BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Freehold: Sheriff Shaun Golden proudly swore in eight sheriff's officers, who were formerly Brookdale Community College police officers, to the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office on March 2, as the agency moves to enhance law enforcement and public safety functions at Brookdale Community College. This comes after the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, and the Brookdale Community College's Board of Trustees, unanimously approved a contract to enter into an agreement which will provide public safety services from the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office to Brookdale Community College.

"The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office looks forward to expanding our relationship with Brookdale Community College. I thank the Board of County Commissioners and Brookdale's Board of Trustees for their support of this partnership," said Sheriff Shaun Golden. "The services the sheriff's office provides will strengthen efforts to maintain public safety on campus and equip Brookdale with the highest level of protection for students, staff and visitors in the most effective and cost efficient manner."

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The Monmouth County Sheriff’s Office already answers 9-1-1 calls and provided police dispatch for Brookdale Community College police officers. Brookdale is also equipped with the most up to date technology in radio and communications services.

“This partnership between Monmouth County, the Monmouth County Sheriff’s Office and Brookdale Community College is another great example of a collaborative agreement that offers improved services while proving cost savings, and I commend Sheriff Golden for leading the charge to bring this to fruition,” said Commissioner Director Thomas A. Arnone, liaison to Brookdale Community College. “With this agreement, not only will there be cost-savings, but we are also enhancing the safety of our County college. We are excited about this great partnership and welcome these officers to our staff as Monmouth County Sheriff’s Officers.”

In addition to the eight sheriff’s officers assigned to Brookdale, the Monmouth County Sheriff’s Office Law Enforcement Division will deliver a wider spectrum of resources to enhance and promote an overall feeling of safety on campus, including additional requested officers, equipment, vehicles, K-9 patrols and homeland security initiatives. The sheriff’s office will also provide recruitment and enhanced training of officers.

“On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the entire Brookdale community, I extend gratitude to Sheriff Golden, County Administrator O’Connor, and the entire Board of Commissioners for the extraordinary enhancements to campus safety that will result from this new relationship,” said Dr. David Stout, President of Brookdale Community College. “Brookdale has been fortunate to be considered among the safest colleges in New Jersey through the hard work and dedication of the College’s police department.

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Now, in partnership with the Sheriff's Office, safety at Brookdale will be further escalated through access to a much larger team of officers with the most advanced resources."

"The safety and security of our students, faculty, and staff is our top priority. We are grateful for the partnership with the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office to provide enhanced public safety services on our campus," said Brookdale Board Chair Paul Crupi. "We look forward to working collaboratively with the Sheriff's Office to maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all members of the Brookdale community."

Brookdale Community College police officers received the same training at the Monmouth County Police Academy as sheriff's officers and local police officers, therefore, no additional training is required.

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