



# MONMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SHERIFF SHAUN GOLDEN



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### RECRUITS GRADUATE FROM THE MONMOUTH COUNTY POLICE ACADEMY

**Monmouth County:** Sheriff Shaun Golden is pleased to announce the graduation of 89 newly sworn law enforcement officers from the Monmouth County Police Academy. On Dec. 17, 40 recruits of the 109th Basic Course for Police Officers, 18 recruits from the 60th Basic Course for Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers and 31 recruits from the 45th Basic Course for County Correctional Police Officers received their Police Training Commission certifications during a ceremony at Brookdale Community College.

“There is no higher responsibility than being a member of law enforcement, which exemplifies commitment to service, sacrifice and unity. These fine men and women have demonstrated that, by persevering and successfully completing intense training which has prepared them to serve and protect our communities, with honor and integrity. I’m proud of their accomplishments and commend all for a job well done.” said Sheriff Shaun Golden, whose agency runs the Monmouth County Police Academy.

Both law enforcement classes, which were combined, consisted of 22 weeks with more than 800 hours of training run through the Monmouth County Police Academy.

All recruits train in patrol concepts, defensive driving, professional development, weaponry and unarmed defense, criminal investigation, ethics, emergency medical care and physical training, along with a host of other courses. The Basic Course for Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers has full police powers while on duty.

Training for the corrections class was 19 weeks where they 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.

Upon successful completion of the police training commission approved curriculum, all the officers are well prepared to serve their respective law enforcement agencies and county correctional facilities.

“We would like to take a moment to welcome our newest police academy graduates to our Monmouth County law enforcement professionals,” said Monmouth County Prosecutor Raymond S. Santiago. “These officers are choosing public service, knowing that they will have to earn the trust of the residents they will be serving. We fully expect that they are up to this challenge and will serve their communities with honor, pride and distinction.”

“On behalf of the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, I commend each Police Academy graduate for committing to a career in law enforcement,” said Commissioner Director Thomas A. Arnone. “Choosing to serve and protect your community as law enforcement officers requires dedication, courage, and integrity and I am confident these graduates will carry forward that strong tradition of service.”

## **BCPO, SLEO & BCCCPO AWARDS**

**Marksmanship Award** – James Courtney, BCPO - Middletown Twp PD & Robert Morgado Jr – BCCCPO, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office – Corrections Division

**Physical Training Award** – Natale Iannello, BCPO - Hazler Twp PD & Cole Kroeper - BCCCPO, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office – Corrections Division

**Academic Award** – Tristan Terranova, BCPO – Jackson Twp PD & Brianna Hedges - BCCCPO, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office – Corrections Division

**Traffic Officers Association Award** – Xavier Estrada, BCPO – NJ State Park Police

**Military Service Achievement Award** – Tristan Terranova, BCPO – Jackson Twp PD & Thomas Brenner, BCCCPO, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office – Corrections Division

**Outstanding Trainee Award** – James Courtney, BCPO - Middletown Twp PD & Robert Morgado Jr – BCCCPO, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office – Corrections Division

**Merit Award** – Daniel Murphy, BCPO – NJ State Park Police & Joseph Schick, BCCPO, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office – Corrections Division

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