

Lt. Governor Guadagno Congratulates State Correction Officers Class 237 at Graduation Ceremony

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Ceremony Honors 177 Department of Corrections Graduates

Trenton, NJ – Joining Department of Corrections (DOC) Commissioner Gary Lanigan today, Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno addressed the 177 graduating members of State Corrections Officers, Class 237, at the War Memorial in Trenton. Lt. Governor Guadagno spoke to New Jersey's Department of Corrections graduating class and has shared her sense of dedication and respect for law enforcement fourteen times at the NJDOC's graduation since taking office in 2010.

"These graduates have made the noble decision to embark on a career path that will transform them into becoming some of the unsung heroes of our state. Not only will their work ensure public safety, but the example they set on a daily basis will play a crucial role in changing each inmates' future for the better," said Lt. Governor Guadagno. "I offer my gratitude and congratulations to the Officer Recruits as they embrace their chosen career with pride, courage and character."

Taking the oath of office today symbolizes the successful completion of their training; this graduating class consists of 21 trainees who are veterans, 33 trainees from second or third generation law enforcement families and 59 trainees with degrees of higher education. Including today's graduating class, New Jersey has welcomed 2,388 new DOC graduates since the beginning of the Christie Administration. Following their graduation, the Correction Officer Recruits will begin their assignments throughout the state.

"The Office of Training provides Corrections personnel with the skills necessary to successfully complete their tasks and to provide for the care, treatment and social reintegration of adult offenders committed to our facilities," said Commissioner Lanigan, who administered the oath of office to the graduates. "I applaud the work of the instructors, and I congratulate our graduates and wish them long, satisfying careers."

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