

Bristol County Sheriff's Office honors corrections officers at promotion ceremony in Dartmouth

"The Bristol County Sheriff's Office honored four corrections officers for their leadership, professionalism, and positive attitudes Thursday morning in promoting them to supervisory positions.

Sheriff Paul Heroux and Supt. Steven Souza officially promoted Jeffrey Hughes to the rank of sergeant, and Felicia Carvalho, Philippe Proulx and Mark Ventura to lieutenant.

"The four correctional professionals we have here are deserving of their promotion," Sheriff Heroux said. "They have been good employees. They have showed maturity and leadership."

Supt. Steven Souza said the newly promoted supervisors will be a breath of fresh air among BCSO leadership.



Bristol County Sheriff's Office photo.

"They'll bring refreshment and joy to the job, to helping officers and helping inmates," he said. "They had great supervisors when they first graduated from the academy, and they will pass that experience along to the next generation."

More than a dozen corrections officers recently applied for leadership roles. Sgt. Hughes and Lts. Carvalho, Proulx and Ventura were selected by a panel of BCSO security leadership based on job performance, leadership, and professionalism.

"Each officer seeking a promotion was vetted by multiple people in the Bristol County Sheriff's Office," Sheriff Heroux said. "We had a great group of applicants. These professionals made the cut."

Sgt. Hughes and Lts. Carvalho, Proulx and Ventura received citations from Sheriff Heroux and posed for pictures with family and friends Thursday morning after a small ceremony, which Sheriff Heroux said will continue in the future.

"We are here today to reinstate a tradition of recognizing security staff when they receive a promotion," he said. "It is

my hope that by formally recognizing their professionalism that led to this promotion, other staff here feel a renewed sense of pride in this profession.”

The Bristol County Sheriff’s Office is currently hiring corrections officers. With a \$5,000 signing bonus, state pension and benefits, and a fully paid training academy, now is the perfect time to start a law enforcement career at the BCSO. Email recruitment@bcso-ma.org to connect with recruiters, ask questions or get more details.”