

# **Bristol County Sheriff's Office welcomes five new corrections officers**

"Bristol County is safer today than it was yesterday with the addition of five new Corrections Officers at the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Paul Heroux stressed the public safety portion of a corrections officers' career recently in his remarks to the graduates of the 53rd Bristol County Corrections Officer Academy, his first since becoming Sheriff in January.

"You will be keeping the public safe. You will be keeping your coworkers safe. And you will be keeping inmates safe," Sheriff Heroux said. "You have a chance to make a difference in many lives."

The five new officers took the oath from Sheriff Heroux and received their badges during the small ceremony in front of family and friends at the correctional complex off Faunce Corner Road.

The new Bristol County Corrections Officers are Paul Beaudion, Taylor Carreiro, Isaac Falade, Nicolas Lysius and Semiu Sanni.



*Bristol County Sheriff's Office photo.*

The eight-week training program starts with team-building exercise before moving onto on-the-job skills such as defensive tactics, restraints, radio procedures, first responder training and more. It also includes policy review, suicide and mental health awareness and overviews of union matters and benefits.

Academy Director Lt. Robert Matos urged the graduates to set their sights high as they progress through the Bristol County Sheriff's Office.

"Find that goal and strive to it," he said. "Whether it's to be a supervisor, canine, special investigations or something else. Maybe it's to one day be in our seats as a member of the training department. Set your sights on it and stay focused."

Corrections Officer Beaudoin, class valedictorian with a 96.22 grade average, wished his classmates well as they embark on their career in corrections.

"I wish you all a long, healthy career," he said. "I look forward to working with all of you for years to come."

The BCSO has some openings in the next CO academy, which is slated to begin at the end of April. Starting pay is \$57,000

with opportunities for additional compensation, such as overtime, incentives and shift differential. Officers receive a full slate of state benefits, including pension and health insurance, as well as paid vacation and sick time. Email [recruitment@bcso-ma.org](mailto:recruitment@bcso-ma.org) and one of the BCSO's recruiters will reach out."