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2015 GRADUATION CEREMONY HELD FOR NEW CLASS OF ADULT CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS

HONOLULU – The Department of Public Safety (PSD) today welcomed a new class of adult correctional officers at a graduation ceremony held at the PSD Training and Staff Development building in Honolulu. 12 recruits graduated from Basic Corrections Training (BCT) and will begin their careers as correctional officers in facilities across the state.

BCT is a 9-week training that includes 360 hours of classroom time and physical training. Recruits learn standard of conduct, professionalism and ethics, report writing, interpersonal communications, maintaining security, crisis intervention, security threat groups, firearms, self-defense tactics, and physical exercise.

“Managing a large prisoner population while providing a safe and secure environment in a prison or jail is a serious job,” says Sergeant Puanani Cummings, BCT Sergeant in Charge. “These new corrections officers spent many hours in the classroom and in field training. I know they have the ability and the knowledge it takes to be successful in a challenging environment.”

All incoming classes receive Recruit Field Training along with Basic Corrections Training. That means, during the final weeks of training, they go into the facility and begin their job with the guidance of their training sergeants.

The 12 graduates have been assigned to the following correctional centers/facilities:

Oahu Community Correctional Center	4
Hawaii Community Correctional Center	6
Kulani Correctional Facility	2

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