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Law Enforcement Officers Embark on New Career Path

On April 19, five men and women were sworn in as deputies with the Newport News Sheriff's Office. A unique story unfolded at the Hampton Roads Criminal Justice Training Academy Graduation Ceremony. Deputy G. K. Harris was awarded his certification of completion by long time friend Major S. Rubio, James City County Police Department. The two met in 1985 serving in the U.S. Air Force Security Forces based at Langley AFB. Rubio retired from the Air Force in 1987, and Harris retired in 2009. The two remained best friends throughout the years. Not pictured from the graduating class: Deputies C. Alston, L. Cuffee, D. D. Page, Jr., and R. Wilkins.



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A second graduation ceremony took place the very next day, April 20th. Newport News Sheriff's Office (NNSO) Deputies H. V. Tran and C. D. Daniels graduated from the Auxiliary BLE (Basic Law Enforcement) Academy. For ten months, the auxiliary class would meet three weeknights and Saturdays. Participants maintained full-time employment while seeking to advance their law enforcement careers -- a testament to their commitment. Daniels began her career with the NNSO in 2007, and Tran began his in 2008.

