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CHP CELEBRATES LARGEST ACADEMY GRADUATION SINCE 2022

125 New Officers Join the Ranks, Strengthening Public Safety Efforts Across California

SACRAMENTO—The California Highway Patrol (CHP) announces the promotion of 125 cadets to the rank of officer. Today's graduation ceremony marks the successful completion of a 26-week intensive training schedule at the CHP Academy in West Sacramento. The new officers will now report to one of the CHP's 102 Area offices throughout the state to begin their careers in public service.

"Today, we celebrate the dedication and perseverance of our newly promoted officers," said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. "Their commitment to integrity, service, and the safety of our communities embodies the core values of the CHP. As these officers begin their new role, they will carry the trust of those they serve — and with that, the ability to make a lasting impact."

This is the largest graduating class since June 2022, when 128 officers were sworn in. Nearly 300 cadets remain in training at the CHP Academy, with another 160 cadets scheduled to arrive on April 7 in preparation to serve the people of California.

During their CHP Academy training, cadets receive comprehensive instruction in critical areas, including traffic enforcement, collision investigation, defensive tactics, firearms proficiency, emergency vehicle operations, and community policing. Training also includes a focus on legal responsibilities, communication skills, ethical conduct, and cultural diversity awareness, ensuring that cadets are equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to protect and serve California's communities effectively.

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As part of California's efforts to improve public safety, in June 2022, the state funded a multi-year CHP recruitment campaign aimed at filling 1,000 officer positions by hiring qualified individuals. In November 2024, the CHP met and surpassed the administration's ambitious hiring goal.

The CHP is actively recruiting dedicated individuals to make a difference in communities throughout California. As a CHP officer, you can make a meaningful impact by enhancing road safety, enforcing traffic laws, and responding to emergencies. With comprehensive training, competitive benefits, and opportunities for career advancement, the CHP offers a rewarding and fulfilling career path for individuals committed to upholding the highest standards of service and professionalism.

To learn more about joining the CHP, please visit our <u>website</u> to take the first step towards a rewarding career in law enforcement.

B-roll footage of the CHP's graduation ceremony is available for download and use by the media <u>here</u>.



The mission of the CHP is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service, and Security.

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