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4 new grads join Capitol Police

PETERSBURG – The Division of Capitol Police grew by four members Thursday night with the graduation of the 93rd Basic Law Enforcement Academy.

The four Capitol Police trainees were among 22 graduates of the 93rd class who were honored in a ceremony at Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Petersburg.

The 22 spent the past 26 weeks covering more than 1,300 Department of Criminal Justice Services-mandated training objectives at Crater Criminal Justice Training Academy in Prince George County.

The four Capitol Police graduates included two who earned individual recognition for their work at the academy. Eliud Guzman earned the Director's Award for Excellence and Jamaine T. Copeland finished second in firearms proficiency.

"As a profession, law enforcement is becoming more challenging all the time," said Col. Anthony S. Pike, chief of the Capitol Police. "These graduates are to be commended for making a commitment to put others ahead of themselves and dedicate themselves to serving the people of the Commonwealth of Virginia."

The newest Capitol Police officers will report to work Monday to begin extensive field training with division-certified training officers before being assigned to their respective shifts.

In addition to Copeland and Guzman, the Capitol Police graduates are Chase C. Breeden and Christopher S. Grubbs.

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