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Youngest detention deputy marks a first for CCSO

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – The Charleston County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce that for the first time, a 20-year-old employee has been sworn in as a detention deputy. The hire comes on the heels of a change in state law allowing adults as young as 18 years old to work in detention centers.

Darin Mowry, who swore an oath Thursday in front of Sheriff Kristin Graziano, command staff and his new fellow employees to serve and protect at the Al Cannon Detention Center, said he plans to build a long career in law enforcement.

"A family friend who had been in the detention field for over 20 years recommended this job to me," Mowry said. "He said, 'Start early, start now.'"

The new detention deputy said that through his early training, he has learned how to improve his communication skills to de-escalate situations with detention residents – techniques that will help him throughout a career in law enforcement, no matter the assignment.

"There has never been a better time to join the ranks of law enforcement, especially at our Detention Center," Sheriff Graziano said. "We've got a great, dedicated and hard-working team that we are looking to expand. We need more people like Detention Deputy Mowry who are willing to step up and make a difference."

CCSO hosts weekly informational tours of the Detention Center every Friday at 8 a.m. Citizens 18 years or older are welcome to take the tour and learn more about a career as a detention deputy. Those interested must bring a photo ID and come 15 minutes early to go through security screening. Appropriate clothing, including closed-toe shoes, must be worn. Cellphones and other personal items must be left in the car.

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A few of the benefits that come with employment at the Charleston County Sheriff's Office include:

- Health insurance, retirement and pension benefits
- Unlimited overtime
- Ability to apply to specialized units such as SWAT Support, search and rescue, dive team, courthouse security, transport and specialized behavioral unit staffing
- Friendly work atmosphere
- Annual and sick leave
- Unlimited potential in career advancement

For more information, contact Capt. William White at 843-529-2384 or wwhite@charlestoncounty.org. Or apply now at CCSOjobs.com.



Sheriff Graziano swears in Mowry during a ceremony Thursday at the Detention Center.

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A loved one pins Mowry with his detention deputy badge.



Mowry as CCSO's newest and youngest detention deputy.

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