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## Three detention center residents earn high school diploma

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**NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C.** – The Charleston County Sheriff's Office recently celebrated the graduation of three residents of the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center as they received their high school diplomas.

The graduation was made possible thanks to academic and educational programming at the detention center, which has seen many successes since its inception in February of 2021, including 25 residents earning their GED, five earning their high school diploma, and nine earning an associate degree.

In 2023, the Charleston County Sheriff's Office received more than half-a-million dollars from the South Carolina Legislature in the agency's continued efforts to reduce recidivism and its work with detention center residents who want an education and to become productive citizens.

"100% of the graduates that have left this facility are thriving and they have not reoffended," said Charleston County Sheriff Kristin Graziano of the graduates who leave the programs at the detention center. "The end goal is that our residents return to the community in a better place than when they arrived at the detention center."

Currently, there are nearly 100 residents enrolled in academic and educational programming at the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center.

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