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San Francisco Police Department Graduates Largest Recruit Class Since 2017 #26-037

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The San Francisco Police Department's 287th Recruit Class will be sworn in on Thursday, April 2, 2026, by San Francisco Police Chief Derrick Lew. As the largest graduating class since 2017, there are 41 graduating SFPD recruit officers. 23 graduates are bilingual and fluent in languages such as Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin, Russian, Vietnamese, French, Tagalog, Turkish, Kurdish, Tibetan, and Hindi. A University of California Police Department officer also completed training with Class 287.

The 287th Recruit Class has 27 members who have earned bachelor's degrees, seven who have earned associate degrees, and one who has earned a master's degree. Members of the class have previously been employed as crime analysts, a lab scientist, a software engineer, security personnel, and police cadets, to name a few. Five officers have served in the United States military in branches such as the US Army, Army National Guard, and US Air Force.

*"I want to congratulate the 41 graduating Recruit Officers of Class 287 for completing eight months of Academy training," said **Police Chief Derrick Lew**. "Their commitment to this profession and the City of San Francisco is truly noble. The graduation of Class 287 also represents a major step towards SFPD's goal of becoming a fully staffed police department. SFPD will continue to work alongside Mayor Lurie on his Rebuilding the Ranks initiative."*

The graduation ceremony will take place at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center located at 2850 19th Avenue in San Francisco at 6:00 p.m.

The 287th Recruit Class has completed 33 weeks of training. Following graduation, the newly sworn SFPD officers will begin a 16-week field-training program at various district stations.

Rebuilding the Ranks

Having a fully staffed police department is essential for meeting San Francisco's public safety needs. The San Francisco Police Department has been working diligently with Mayor Daniel Lurie's "Rebuilding the Ranks" Initiative, which includes streamlining the hiring process and improving the academy and graduation rate. Currently, SFPD has some of the nation's highest salaries and best benefits packages. People who are interested in exploring a law enforcement career with the San Francisco Police Department are invited to [visit our recruitment website](#).

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