



# IN THE SPOTLIGHT

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## CORRECTIONAL OFFICER

### *THE BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE*

The mission of the Sheriff's Office is to, "protect and serve the citizens of Butte County by providing vigorous, ethical, efficient law enforcement." This is accomplished, in part, by the department's efforts to "encourage professionalism through improved communication and by providing continuous and productive training" of its personnel.

Together with its commitment to protect and serve the citizens of the county, the Department is committed to providing a secure and comfortable work environment for its employees. Personnel at all levels are actively encouraged to take pride in their work, and to strive for excellence.

Within the communities of Chico, Oroville, Gridley, Magalia and Paradise, Butte County offers an affordable, family-oriented lifestyle. There are a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities - from boating on Lake Oroville to fishing in the Feather River Canyon. With large areas of the Lassen and Plumas national forests within its boundaries, the surrounding foothills and mountains provide many scenic vistas for those who enjoy camping, backpacking, hiking, snow-shoeing, cross-country skiing, and exploring. Various educational opportunities are available with Chico State University and Butte Community College.

The Butte County Sheriff's Office operates the largest jail North of Sacramento. The jail currently has over 100 employees including kitchen, medical, clerical and safety personnel. The single largest job classification is that of Correctional Officer, with 64 entry-level positions. As "Peace Officers," incumbents in the Correctional Officer classification have a well established career ladder with the possibility of advancement to any of the Department's 10

promotional positions as a Correctional Sergeant, or Correctional Lieutenant. Within the Correctional Officer classification, there are a variety of opportunities for diversification, including the work release program, home arrest, canine, transportation, medical, gang, or classification units, and court security.



Correctional Officers maintain the constitutional, secure, and humane detention of arrested persons who cannot be released. This is an exciting career that affords many opportunities for a person to excel. We are looking for people of integrity that possess excellent communications skills. You must be capable of performing demanding tasks, dealing with difficult people, and passing a thorough investigation of your background. Entry level training includes a Core class, as well as an intense sixteen (16) week field-training program.

Additionally, we provide annual training to continue your growth and professionalism. If you are looking for a "Peace Officer" position that offers security, diversity and career advancement this may be the opportunity you have been looking for. Apply today!

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Please see page 9 of *Butte County Jobs* for complete details about the Correctional Officer recruitment.

**Monthly Salary Range:** \$3,080 - \$4,128

**Additional Information for Lateral Applicants:** Laterals may begin at an advanced step (step 2 or higher) of the salary range, based on training and experience and upon approval of the Sheriff and County Chief Administrative Officer with concurrence of the Human Resources Director. Lateral applicants must currently be employed as a Correctional Officer in a correctional facility where a California State Board of Corrections approved test was administered prior to employment, and have one (1) year of experience as a Correctional Officer.