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MEDIA RELEASE

HIGHER PAY AND STEP PLAN FOR BCSO EMPLOYEES

CLEVELAND, TN. (**JULY 3, 2023**) — Effective July 3, 2023, Bradley County Sheriff's Office employees will be getting a raise, higher starting pay for new employees, and step plan.

The plan includes starting pay of \$41,000 for correctional officers and \$43,000 for patrol deputies. The plan also outlines step increases for an employee's years of service with the agency. Additionally, the Bradley County Sheriff's Office offers education pay, an additional supplement based on the amount of college education a BCSO employee has achieved.

The higher pay for BCSO employees will help combat high inflation, reduce employee turnover, and will also help attract new applicants.

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office has worked closely with Mayor Gary Davis and the Bradley County Commission toward developing a new pay system and higher starting salaries for BCSO employees. In the spring of 2023, the Bradley County Sheriff's Office proposed this step plan to the Bradley County Government. On July 3, 2023, the new plan was passed, after being approved by the Bradley County Commission.

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for correctional officers and patrol deputies. Those interested may apply online via our website, bradleysheriff.com.

About BCSO

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) is a law enforcement agency serving all residents of Bradley County, Tennessee. The elected sheriff is Steve Lawson, who has held the post since September 2018. John Stone is the current chief deputy. BCSO is located at 2290 Blythe Avenue SE, Cleveland, TN 37311 and can be reached at 423-728-7300 for non-emergency calls.