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NEARLY 100 AT-RISK STUDENTS EARN HIGH SCHOOL DEGREES

What: Community High School Graduation from the San Francisco Sheriff's Department's Five Keys Schools and Programs.

Who:

- Ninety-three graduates will walk across the stage and accept their high school diploma or GED.
- Thirty-four of the 93 graduates began their educational journey while in custody.
- Almost half the people booked into San Francisco County jail lack a high school diploma. An education is one of the biggest factors between successful reentry and avoiding recidivism.
- This is the second Five Keys graduation in two weeks—the first was in-custody at San Francisco's Hall of Justice where 18 inmates received diplomas.

When: Tuesday, February 6, 2018, 11 a.m.

Where: St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

Why:

- Fifteen years ago, the San Francisco Sheriff's Department launched the first-ever, in-custody charter high school in collaboration with Five Keys Schools and Programs.
- Five Keys provides an in-custody curriculum in math, English, history, restorative justice and science to inmates to assist them in their successful reentry to their communities.

Results:

- 2,210 people have graduated from Five Keys in Northern California since the school's founding inside San Francisco County Jail in 2003.
- Fifteen years later, Five Keys is a nationally-recognized, non-profit education management corporation, which operates accredited charter schools, workforce development and reentry programs for transitional-aged youth (TAY) and adults at over 70 locations in the community and in 17 county jails across California.