3-02/080.05 - V.A. Apprenticeship Program

Veterans eligible for educational benefits may apply up to a maximum of 18 months of their benefits for financial reimbursement as trainees of this Department.

Only new employees can apply for any part of the total program within the following limitations:

- Deputy Personnel
  - Combined academy and custody training and service up to one year maximum;
  - Patrol training up to a six-month maximum.

Deputy Sheriffs who are assigned from the academy directly to the field instead of a custody facility are not eligible for the entire 18-month program. They are only eligible for academy time (approximately five months) and six months in the field.

Veterans who believe they are eligible for educational benefits should contact the Veteran's Administration to ascertain their rights.