

***Maricopa County Sheriff's Office  
Joe Arpaio, Sheriff  
News Brief***

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***PROJECT CONFIDENCE***

***A.L.P.H.A. Program to Graduate Women Inmates***

(Phoenix, AZ) Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio will address women inmates graduating from the Sheriff's substance abuse program, A.L.P.H.A., in a ceremony today at 12:00pm today in the Estrella Jail.

Today's graduation will be filmed for a documentary program titled Project Confidence, a project probing successful inmate programs across the nation.

The Alpha Program is a Sheriff's jail program for sentenced inmates, and meets the Sheriff's goals of reducing crime, recidivism and substance abuse. Since the Alpha Program began in February 1996, over 4,000 inmates have successfully graduated.

The program possesses an amazingly low recidivism rate of approximately 15 percent.

Invited media may attend. Please contact [SheriffsMediaRequests@MCSO.Maricopa.Gov](mailto:SheriffsMediaRequests@MCSO.Maricopa.Gov) to gain access to the Estrella Jail. The Estrella Jail is located at 2939 W. Durango St Phoenix, AZ 85009.