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Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem Vicinage to Hold Drug Court Graduation

The drug court program in Gloucester County will hold a graduation celebration on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 1 p.m. in the Old Courthouse ceremonial courtroom, 1 N. Broad St., Woodbury.

Superior Court Judge Sandra Lopez will preside over the event, which will celebrate the success of 14 participants who have completed the drug court program.

Keynote speaker Joelle Brozzetti is a May 2016 Gloucester drug court graduate who will speak about her recovery journey before, during, and after drug court.

The vicinage's drug court, which has three programs, is one of the largest in New Jersey, with 504 active participants. The programs, operating since 2002, have served 2,492 people and have graduated 501 participants. The Gloucester drug court team holds a spring and fall graduation annually.

The Judiciary's drug court program operates within the Superior Court to address non-violent drug addicted offenders. The program requires completion of four phases of intensive drug and alcohol treatment and recovery. This level of supervision permits the program to support the recovery process but also allows the drug court team to react quickly to impose appropriate therapeutic sanctions or to reinstate criminal proceedings when participants do not comply.

Graduates have met all the requirements of the program and have successfully completed their terms of probation supervision.

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