

WHAT DO THE "FIRST RESPONDERS" SAY ABOUT:  
"THE TOUGHEST BEAT IN THE STATE???"

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The guards union here in the state has as their motto: "We Walk The Toughest Beat in the State". Those of us who live in these joints get the biggest laugh out of this foolish claim. We see them sleeping, sneaking off for sex with each other, stealing toilet paper, and picking on 80 year old dying prisoners. Here is an actual union that has the ultimate goal of getting it so that its employees stay home and still get paid. Believe it or not that is the ultimate goal of corrections today. On your dime!

Now I wonder, "What would first responders have to say about this claim of walking the toughest beat in the state?" I don't think they would be happy. I am certain that the MIT Police force, who lost a hero in one of its officers at the hands of terrorists, does not share the opinion of the guard's union. I don't believe that the state police who were at the Finish Line of the Boston Marathon last year roll with the union's claim. I doubt very strongly that the firefighters that lost their brothers, true heros, at the scene of the recent tragic fire in Boston think these layabout guards walk the toughest beat. I can only guess that a uniform officer who patrols Boston Common during the 11-7 shift on Saturday night feels his beat may be tougher. Boston Police who patrol the Mattapan Corridor, and deal with summers of gang violence, would probably portray their "beat" as a bit tougher. I'm just saying.

Now this claim kind of produces a bit of outrage in me. I see how these guards are stealing from the state everyday and to claim that they are doing any thing "tough" is certainly a stretch. These guards literally complain about having to "stand up" for more than 10 or 15 minutes. I am curious if it produces any outrage in anyone else? I was really hot when I read about the "Stress Lines" the guards can call in case they get stressed out from sleeping or stealing. Maybe someone out there can give one of these lines a call and find out what the typical complaint is. Here are the numbers;

"RESPOND" The "MCOFU" Stress Unit: 1-508-844-1800 or 1-508-274-5184

Bridgewater "StressUnit": 508-279-6425

Shirley & Gardner "Stress Unit": 1-978-514-6774

Norfolk "Stress Unit": 1-508-660-5948

Please can some readers give them a call and find out how a guard can possibly be stressed out? From the way they sleep it appears to be one of the most relaxing occupations in law enforcement!

If you are a bit pissed off about this "Toughest Beat in the State" crap you can contact the union and its officials at the following addresses;

Massachusetts Correction Officers Federated Union (MCOFU) \*\* Note the "F-U"! 1-774-396-6477

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DEMAND THAT THE STATE HOLD THE GUARD'S UNION  
ACCOUNTABLE!!!