

Dennis Green - 2025 NVFC EMS/Rescue Section Executive Committee Election Bio Seeking Re-Election as Director at Large

I am asking for your support to continue in the position of Director-at-Large with the NVFC EMS/Rescue Section. Your vote for me will enable me to continue the work I have been doing on behalf of NVFC.

The NVFC is known as the representative organization of volunteer Fire & EMS. As such, organizations working on EMS issues often contact the NVFC to participate. The NVFC depends on the EMS/Rescue Section to be the representatives to these groups. The section is responsible to develop recommendations on policies and recommendations on EMS matters to the NVFC Board.

I first started as a volunteer Firefighter/EMT in 1975. January 2025 is the is my 50th year of service as an EMT. For twelve of my service years, I was a paramedic serving on a transport ambulance or QRV. This was the early 80s to mid 90s. I am currently certified as a Firefighter/EMT and listed as active on the certified state roster. I was an EMT, Paramedic and Rescue instructor for two community colleges for about ten years. I still substitute teach occasionally.

In my 41 years of service, I have served in all volunteer, combination, and fully career departments almost entirely at a chief officer level. As the Fire Chief at the Town of Matthews I transitioned the department from volunteer to a mostly career combination department. In 1982 I moved a volunteer rescue squad from a BLS level provider to a Paramedic level provider in two years. It became the only non-county operated transport service in the county, covering the fastest growing portion of that county.

I retired from the Town of Matthews as a career Fire Chief in 2016. I am still actively involved as a volunteer with the department through training and other service. My biggest passion now in the fire service is expressing the voice of the nation's volunteer fire/EMS departments. I am also passionate about firefighter health/safety. I strive to attend as many national and state conferences as possible to obtain the latest training on these subjects and network with other fire/EMS service professionals.

I currently serve as Treasurer on my department's Fire Relief Fund Board. This Board provides financial help to firefighters in need and is funded through a percentage of insurance premiums. I am a Director-at-Large on the EMS/Rescue Section of the NVFC. I am a member of the Southeast Division of the IAFC. I am also a member of the EMS and VCOS sections. I have served on various committees in each of these sections during my time with the IAFC. I am a member of the North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs. I previously served on the NC EMS Advisory Council.

Since 2006 I have participated in the AFG, SAFER, and FP&S Peer Review process. The NVFC provides the largest number of reviewers for this process. While the goal is to award departments in need funding, it has given me valuable insight into the differences of fire/EMS across the country. When we consider policy changes, we need to look at how the changes affect the whole service and not just what we know of our little area.

I hope I can count on your vote to reelect me. Thank you for your support. For more information <http://linkedin.com/in/chiefdennisgreen>