



City of Coeur d'Alene

FIRE DEPARTMENT

“City of Excellence”

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I began my fire service career as a volunteer with Post Falls Fire Department in 1997. I have been With the Coeur D'Alene Fire Department Since January of 2003 where I held the rank of Firefighter/EMT-A, and was promoted from the line in December of 2012 to the rank of Fire Inspector. I have been an Idaho State Fire Inspector since 2000 and also a member of our Technical Rescue Team where I am an instructor for Rope Rescue. I am also a CPR and First Aid Instructor. I am the current President of the Kootenai County Fire Prevention Cooperative, a former President of the Idaho Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators and the 2013 Coeur D'Alene Fire Department Employee of the year.

December 2014, I successfully completed and passed the Certified Fire Investigator (CFI) Examination. The certification (CFI) process takes a commitment and a minimum of 5 years of demonstrated training and fire scene investigations. I am one of only 12 Certified Fire Investigators in Idaho and now, one of 2,104 Certified Fire Investigators by the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) worldwide.

My current duties include: Safety Inspections of commercial buildings including Daycares, Building inspections and plan reviews, Fire Investigation and Public Education. I work closely with the City of Coeur d'Alene, to ensure that all permits are properly issued and safety inspections are complete.