

Dear Fire Service Leaders,

I've been privileged to serve as your at-large VCOS Board member during a period of great achievement. During the past three years, I have been actively involved in many VCOS projects, and now, I'm asking for your vote to help me serve another term as your board member.

Throughout my tenure as a VCOS Board member, I have been actively involved in the following initiatives:

- ✓ Planning and facilitating the VCOS National Summit: *Constructing a National Blueprint for Expanding the Future of Volunteerism in the Emergency Service Community*
- ✓ Contributing author of the *Transitioning from a Volunteer Department to a Combination Department* program
- ✓ Contributing author of the *Silver Ribbon Report: Guidelines and Best Practices for a Successful Youth Fire Service*
- ✓ Delivering numerous *Beyond Hoses & Helmets* programs across the nation
- ✓ Delivering volunteer and combination programs at Fire Rescue International, Fire Rescue Med, and various state association conferences
- ✓ Hosting VCOS Webinars addressing issues facing volunteer and combination departments throughout the Country
- ✓ Participating as a VCOS member on IAFC-FRI Program Planning committee and IAFC Hydrogen Fuel eLearning course

Volunteer and combination departments across the country are facing increasing challenges associated with funding, recruitment/retention, and building leadership capacity. Our future success relies on our collective ability to harness diversity, overcome our challenges, and develop strategies to further advance our profession.

I consider it not only my duty, but my passion to contribute back to the fire service profession by helping others achieve success. I would be honored to work as your board member to support the needs of the fire and EMS service as we travel together down the road to future success.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dan Eggleston
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