

The Fire Service Emerging Leaders Program

Instructor:	Michael P. Dallessandro
Location: Physical address:	Bedford Science and Technology Center 600 Edmund Street Bedford, Virginia 24523
When:	Saturday, April 4, 2015 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Cost:	FREE OF CHARGE
Registration:	Register by contacting Shelley Clary at (540) 587-0700 (Option #1) or at s.clary@bedfordcountyyva.gov
Target Audience:	Current members or upcoming officers and leaders of all volunteer or small combination fire departments in the age bracket of 18-28. However, all fire service members are welcome to attend.

Course Description:



The American fire service has done an exceptional job of developing its officers and leaders with excellent training in the areas of fire ground attack, and other topics. However, today's volunteer fire departments have become a complex business requiring future leaders and officers to have a broad knowledge base of fire ground operations and also an equal blend of knowledge related to long-range planning, people and personnel management, and conflict resolution. This *Emerging Leaders* program introduces attendees, who are the "future of the fire service," to information related to leadership, professional conduct, ethics, core values, social media, personnel management, long-range planning, and other critical topics. This entertaining and interactive session is a must-have for any fire service leader.

Michael P. Dallessandro is a 30+ year life member of the Grand Island Fire Company Inc., located in Erie County, NY and an active member of the North Greece Fire District in Monroe County, NY. He is a respected speaker and trainer who routinely presents at FDIC, Firehouse Expo, the Virginia Fire & Rescue Conference, and the Fire District's Association of the State of New York. He has developed the RESPONDSMART safe apparatus driver program and the Volunteer and Combination Fire Department Leadership and Professional Conduct Academy. He has written articles for various publications including Fire Engineering, Carolina Fire Rescue Journal, and 1st Responder News. Mike works full-time in public school district management and consults regularly for fire departments and municipalities on management and personnel matters, conducting fire department reviews and studies, and long-range planning.

