

My name is Jeremy Young, a 32-year veteran of the fire service and Fire Chief for the Frederick-Firestone Fire Protection District located just North of Denver (CO). I am seeking the election of the Missouri Valley Director for the EFO Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. Serving the Missouri Valley Division on the IAFC EFO Board of Directors would be an honor and privilege. I am a dedicated leader who will collaborate to move the EFO Section's mission and vision forward to elevate the level of all current and future executive fire officers. I am an individual who leads by example in my executive role and mentors future executive fire officers, not only in our department but also other fire service members who strive to become executive fire officers of the future. The most important goal is to ensure our section members have leadership tools available to them and their personnel to enhance the overall leadership levels within the 21st Century Fire Service.

I hold a master's degree in organizational leadership and am currently enrolled in a doctorate program in business administration with an anticipated graduation date of fall 2025. I graduated from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer (EFO) Program in 2016. I have held the Chief Fire Officer (CFO) designation from the Center of Public Safety Excellence since 2011. I have the privilege to serve on multiple boards, teams, and committees, representing fire and emergency medical services. As we forge forward as fire service leaders, I am a huge advocate and proponent of diversity, equity, and inclusion within the fire service. I am an avid admirer and scholar of leadership and organizational behavior. My life and leadership mottos are "How we treat each other is everything. If we do that well, everything else will fall into place." and "We Lead Together, By Serving Together." It would be my honor and pleasure to serve you, your region, and your state as part of the Missouri Valley Division of the IAFC.