



# News Release

## Fire Services

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### **WRIGHT NAMED DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES**

Michael Wright has been selected as the Director of Wake County Fire Services. Wright will be responsible for the County's Fire Services Department and Fire Training Center including; fire code enforcement, fire investigations, Emergency Response and Hazardous Materials program and the Suppression and Rescue Administration programs. He will also act as the liaison between contracting fire departments and the County and coordinate the County's work with the Wake County Fire Commission. Wright is scheduled to start in his new role Tuesday, November 12, 2013.

Wright currently serves as the Deputy Director of the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services. His primary responsibilities there include management of the Fire Services Division which includes operations, training, inspections investigations, and the coordination of fire service delivery to 24 fire service districts. Mike has held this position since 2004. Prior to that, he served as Fire Chief for the Colfax Fire Department. He also has worked for the City of Greensboro Fire Department as a Firefighter, Firefighter II and Fire Equipment Operator.

Wright has achieved Executive Fire Officer Status from the National Fire Academy and holds a bachelors of arts in Management and Ethics from John Wesley College.

Wake County Fire Services has 15 full-time employees and a \$1.2 million annual operating budget. For more information on Wake County Fire Services, visit [wakegov.com](http://wakegov.com). Wright's photo is attached and available for download at [wakegov.com/news](http://wakegov.com/news).

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