

LEEANNA MIMS

FIRE CHIEF (RET.)

INSTRUCTOR, NCIER



PROFILE

LEEANNA MIMS retired as Fire Chief of the Seminole County Fire Department after 30 years in the fire service. She began her career with Longwood Fire & Rescue then later promoted to operations Battalion Chief. In 1999, Leeanna graduated from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program and has degrees in business, fire, and emergency medical services. She obtained her Master's degree in Homeland Defense and Security from the Center of Homeland Defense and Security, Naval Post Graduate School.

She has served as fire co-chair for Florida's Regional Domestic Security Task Force, Regional Coordinator of the State of Florida's Emergency Response Plan, co-chair of EMS/Fire Education Advisory Committee for Seminole State College, past Chair Central Florida Task Force 4 Urban Search and Rescue Team, Subject Matter Expert for Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology working group for first responders, and trained to serve as a GO team member for the International Association of Fire Chief's. Chief Mims was labeled as a trailblazer by the Orlando Sentinel, and has received numerous awards for her achievements.



EXPERIENCE

C3 Pathways, Inc.

Oviedo, Florida, 2021 - Current

INSTRUCTOR

Leeanna brings her 30+ years of EMS/Fire/Rescue services to the C3 Pathways team. She provides highly skilled experience in Public Safety, Emergency Management, Preparedness, Rescue, and Disaster Response.

www.c3pathways.com

Florida State Fire Marshal

2019 - 2021

HEALTH AND SAFETY LIAISON

As a Health and Safety Inspector, she reviewed, responded to, and investigated safety-related concerns for fire department organizations across Florida.

www.myfloridacfo.com/division/sfm

Emergency Services Consulting International

2016 - 2017

CONSULTANT

Leeanna served as a Public Safety Project Consultant for industry clients seeking assistance in administration, planning, training, logistics and/or finance related needs for their organizations.

www.esci.us

Florida Regional Domestic Security Task Force

Stuart, FL, 2008 - 2013

FIRE COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

Leeanna had strategic input for Florida's domestic security planning. She worked with other first response disciplines to gain unity in the mission and was a voting member for prioritization of funds for grant dissemination.

www.fdle.state.fl.us/domestic-security/organization

Seminole County Department of Public Safety

Seminole County, FL, 2005 - 2015

FIRE CHIEF

Leeanna served as Fire Chief for Seminole County, an all-hazards metropolitan-sized organization providing services to over 400,000 residents. During her leadership tenure, multiple mergers of municipal fire services occurred, a 44,000 + square foot regional training and logistics center was opened, CAAS accreditation status was achieved and the ISO rating was improved from a 4/9 to a 2/2Y. In her service time, she promoted over 100 officer positions and branded an entirely new hiring and promotional process for the organization.

www.seminolecountyfl.gov

Longwood Fire Department

Longwood, FL, 1984 - 1999

BATTALION CHIEF

Leeanna successfully tested and promoted through ranks to include firefighter, engineer, lieutenant and battalion chief. She also worked to change state legislation to allow fire engines to deliver advance life support care.

www.longwoodfl.org/180/Fire-Rescue

“Believes public safety is about going above & beyond to serve communities and keep responders safe.”

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KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Fire, EMS, and
Emergency Response



30+ years fire and EMS progressive experience from Volunteer to Fire Chief. Training and instructional expert with speciality in Active Shooter response. Response and leadership experience with municipal, county and state emergency response organizations.

Incident Management



Knowledgeable in NIMS, ICS and Unified command. Has served in deployment roles of strike team/task force leader and planning section chief for disasters to include brush fires, hurricanes and tornadoes. Has served as an emergency services branch chief during state EOC activations. This role involves direction of fire, EMS, health, search and rescue and law enforcement efforts across county and state lines. Nationally trained as an all hazards liaison officer and as a go team command member for the dissolved IAFC assistance program.

Training and Instruction



Past Florida Instructor Level 3 certified, past conference speaker for IAFC/FRI, FFCA/Fire Rescue East, IAFC ESLI and former adjunct EMS instructor for Seminole State College, Technical Advisor NFA. Expert in firefighter health and safety best practices.

Information Technology



Served two years as an SME for DHS's Science and Technology Directorate. Current product Advisor for firefighter improved safety equipment

SPECIALITIES

- ★ Organizational Leadership
- ★ Crisis Command/Control
- ★ Professional Speaker
- ★ Instructor III
- ★ Fire Dynamics
- ★ Firefighter / Paramedic (FL)
- ★ Exercise Design and Evaluation
- ★ Emergency Management
- ★ Strategic Planning
- ★ Community Collaboration/Partnership Building
- ★ Budget Management
- ★ Labor/Management Practices

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NIMS Certifications

IS-100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 800,
0042, AWR 232, S440

National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC)

Instructor Certificate
PER 353, PER 352

National Conference Faculty

2010-2015 IAFC Fire/Rescue International
National Conference Speaker

FFCA Fire/Rescue East
IAFC FSEDI Presenter and Speaker

Professional Organizations

2004-2012 USAR Florida Task Force 4
Early development assistance and
eventual chair

2006-2015 Fire/EMS Education College
Advisory committee member and eventual
chair 2004-2006

Awards

Girl Scouts
2009 Women of Distinction

Orlando Sentinel for Trailblazing
Women of Magic