

CHRISTINE TONETTA

FIRE CAPTAIN / EMT

INSTRUCTOR, NCIER



PROFILE

CHRISTINE TONETTA has served in the fire service for over 25 years, both in volunteer and career capacities. She has a passion for teaching and has presented at numerous conferences and fire departments throughout the country, in addition to instructing classes at the Cumberland County Fire Academy. With a unified response as her driving force, she also works with law enforcement and EMTs on how to assist firefighters in the cold and warm zones and with firefighters to assist law enforcement at hostile events.

Christine earned an Associate Degree in Fire Science Technology from Camden County College and her Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Leadership from Columbia Southern University. She is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Fire Executive/Organizational Leadership and is enrolled in the NFA's Executive Fire Officer Program.

Christine is committed to leading by example. She maintains a strong focus on physical fitness, professional development, and lifelong learning, continually pursuing advanced education and specialized certifications to enhance her leadership, instructional abilities, and operational effectiveness.



EXPERIENCE

C3 Pathways, Inc.

Oviedo, Florida, 2024 - Current

INSTRUCTOR

Christine is involved in classroom training, simulation hands-on training and train-the-trainer. She provides expert insight from her work in EMS, strategy and tactics.

www.c3pathways.com

Millville Fire Department

Millville, NJ, 2001 - Current

FIRE CAPTAIN / EMT

Christine began her career at the Millville Fire Department as a Volunteer and a member of the Millville Technical Rescue Team. Promoted in July 2007, she became a career firefighter/EMT, training instructor, member of the Cumberland County Technical Rescue Team, Public Education Coordinator, and Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist. In June 2015, Christine was promoted to Fire Captain/EMT. In her position as Fire Captain, she has continued her work as a training and education Coordinator/Instructor and supports the daily operation as the B-Shift Engine Captain.

www.millvillefire.org

Cumberland County Fire Academy

Rosenhayn, NJ, 2016 - Current

PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER INSTRUCTOR / ADMINISTRATOR

Christine provides quality training and education to firefighter recruits, fire officers, and fire instructors.

www.cumberlandcountynj.gov/fire-academy

Vineland HazMat Team

Vineland, NJ, 2010 - 2025

HAZMAT TECHNICIAN

As a member of the Hazardous Materials Response Team, Christine responded to hazardous materials emergencies, and mitigating any hazards posed by the materials.

www.ccdohnj.gov

Downe Township Dive Team

Newport, NJ, 2008 - 2022

RESCUE DIVER

As a member of the Downe Township Dive Team, Christine responded to underwater, swift water, and ice rescue incidents. Her responsibilities included search and rescue operations, victim recovery, hazard assessment, and operating in high-risk aquatic environments while supporting incident stabilization.

www.downtownpnj.org

“Life is unpredictable; always be prepared for the best and the worst of it.”

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KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Fire and EMS Emergency Response



Over 25 years of progressive fire and EMS experience, advancing from volunteer firefighter to Fire Captain and Training Officer. Extensive experience leading emergency operations, integrating fire, EMS, and law enforcement responses, and managing incidents ranging from routine emergencies to complex, high-risk events, including active shooter and mass-casualty incidents.

Incident Management



Experienced in commanding and coordinating complex emergency incidents using the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS). Specialized in unified command, multi-agency coordination, active shooter/hostile event response, rescue operations, and fireground strategy.

Training and Instruction



Certified Fire Instructor II, academy administrator, and national conference presenter with extensive experience developing and delivering fire, EMS, rescue, and active shooter training programs. Instructor for Cumberland County Fire Academy and numerous state and national conferences, specializing in curriculum development, leadership, and hands-on training.

Public Relations



Experienced public educator, conference speaker, and published author dedicated to strengthening relationships between emergency services and the communities they serve. Develops community risk reduction initiatives, delivers public safety education, and represents the fire service through national presentations, professional publications, and outreach programs.

SPECIALITIES

- ★ Fire Service Leadership & Command Operations
- ★ Incident Management (NIMS/ICS)
- ★ Firefighter & EMS Training Program Development
- ★ Fire Investigations & Code Enforcement
- ★ Public Education & Community Risk Reduction
- ★ Active Shooter/Hostile Event Response & Instruction
- ★ Emergency Medical Services Operations
- ★ Course Design, Curriculum Development & Instructor Mentorship
- ★ Organizational Leadership & Team Development
- ★ Behavioral Health & Resiliency Training for First Responders

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NIMS Certifications

IS-100, 200

National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC)

Instructor Certificate

PER 353, PER 352

Certifications

Firefighter 1, Firefighter 2, Fire Officer 3, Fire Official, Fire Inspector, Public Safety Diver, SCUBA Diver

Publications

Fighting the Fire Together: The Role of EMS on the Fireground
Fire Engineering - Fire EMS Supplement

Presentations

First Due Engine to an Active Shooter and The Fireground EMT: Beyond Rehab
Local, State and National conferences

Awards

FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Award
2025

Millville Fire Department Medal of Gallantry

Cumberland County Firefighter of the Year
2015 and 2017

Exceptional Service Award

Outstanding Service Award for Fire Safety Education